

ENERGY **CITIES**

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MISSION

WE ARE DRIVEN BY THE DESIRE TO STRENGTHEN THE ROLE AND SKILLS OF LOCAL GOVERNMENTS IN TRANSITIONING TOWARDS CLIMATE NEUTRALITY

2000+

MEMBERS

30+

COUNTRIES

WHERE?





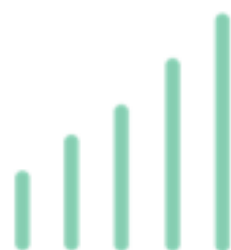
5 HUBS

WHAT?

THE HUBS ARE OUR COMMUNITY SPACES TO ACTIVATE, EMPOWER AND INSPIRE LOCAL LEADERS TOWARDS A CLIMATE-NEUTRAL EUROPE



FUTURE-PROOF
LOCAL
GOVERNANCE



FOSSIL FREE
DISTRICTS &
BUILDINGS



COMMUNITY-LED
ENERGY FOR MASSIVE
RENEWABLE
PRODUCTION



FUTURE-PROOF
FOOD SYSTEMS &
LAND POLICIES



RESOURCE-WISE &
SOCIALLY JUST
LOCAL ECONOMIES

4 ACTIVITIES

HOW?

WHAT'S EUP

Policy briefs for local policy makers with key updates on major EU policy files linked with each HUB

MAYORS VOICES

Discussions with key EU policy makers on concrete proposals in support of cities' climate transition

TRANSITION LEADERS PROGRAMME

Trainings, coaching, tools and peer-to-peer exchanges to facilitate our members' transition journey

MARKETPLACE

- Info sessions about EU funding, matchmaking events and project ideas labs
- Competitive calls for funding on specific topics

ENERGY COMMUNITIES

THE ROLE OF MUNICIPALITIES

**CITIZENS ENERGY COMMUNITIES: INCLUSIVE &
SOLIDARY TOOLS AGAINST ENERGY POVERTY**

LIEGE, 23 APRIL 2024



Why municipalities get involved

MORE THAN RENEWABLE ENERGY

- ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT
- ENERGY EFFICIENCY
- SOCIAL COHESION & TRUST
- ENERGY POVERTY REDUCTION

THEIR SUPPORT CAN MAKE THE DIFFERENCE

HIGER RATE OF SUCCESS FOR COMMUNITY ENERGY PROJECTS





- CLEAN ENERGY PACKAGE (KEY DEFINITIONS/ENABLING FRAMEWORK)
- REPOWER EU (COMMUNICATIONS, STRATEGIES AND PLANS E.G. SOLAR STRATEGY TO INFLUENCE LEGISLATION)
- ELECTRICITY MARKET DESIGN REFORM (ENERGY SHARING AND SUPPORT SCHEMES)
- REVISED RENEWABLE ENERGY DIRECTIVE (NEW TARGET FOR RES, ACCELERATION AREAS, ETC)

MANY MODELS OF COOPERATION

- CO-OWNERSHIP: ENERGY COMMUNITY (COOPERATIVE, NON-PROFIT, TRUSTS...), INFRASTRUCTURE OR UTILITY
- PARTNERSHIPS: FACILITATION, RESOURCES, COMMUNICATION

WHAT CAN MUNICIPALITIES DO(1)

CREATING THE RIGHT CONDITIONS

- Include community ownership targets in long term climate and energy strategies
- Require developers to open projects to citizen participation
- Steer new neighborhoods developments towards community energy
- Procure energy differently

EXAMPLE: OCCITANIA (FR)

FIRST POSITIVE ENERGY REGION IN EUROPE BY 2050

- SUPPORT OF THE NATIONAL ENERGY AGENCY
- ESTABLISHMENT OF THE ECLR NETWORK



EXAMPLES: EEKLO (BE)

CONCESSION CONTRACT FOR GREEN DHC NETWORK

- SPECIAL REQUIREMENT: APPLICANTS NEED TO ENSURE AT LEAST 30% OF THE GRID IS OWNED BY CITIZENS
- BELGIAN COOPERATIVE ECOPOWER & VEOLIA WON THE BID

WHAT CAN MUNICIPALITIES DO(2)

PROVIDING DIRECT SUPPORT

- Inform: create a dedicated body/one stop shop
- Mapping and match-making
- Give access to public sites
- Secure finance, invest or support fundraisings

EXAMPLES: POREC (HR)

- SUNNY OFFICE: CITIZEN INFO POINT ON SOLAR ENERGY
- CURRENTLY TESTING A NEW FINANCIAL SCHEME FOR COMMUNITY-RETROFIT OF PUBLIC HISTORIC BUILDING BY INTEGRATING RENEWABLES

MORE INFO: WWW.SCCALE203050.EU/



Object #40

I škole vole
sunčane dane



Vrijeme je za sunčanu uštedu
BALKAN-SOLAR-ROOFS.EU



Grad Poreč - Parenzo
Città di Poreč - Parenzo

EXAMPLES: SEROCK (PL)

FORMER LANDFILL TURNED INTO SOLAR PARK

- THE MUNICIPALITY LEASED THE SITE AT PREFERENTIAL RATE TO LOCAL COOPERATIVE
- MUNICIPALITY IS ALSO PART OF THE COOPERATIVE

WHAT CAN MUNICIPALITIES DO(3)

JOINT MANAGEMENT/OWNERSHIP

- Participation in the local utility
- Open the capital of municipal energy projects
- Become member of an energy community

EXAMPLE: AMEL & BÜLLINGEN (BE)

PUBLIC TENDER FOR THE DEVELOPMENT, CONSTRUCTION
AND OPERATIONAL MANAGEMENT OF A WIND FARM

- WINNING BID BY 2 COOPERATIVES
- ADDITIONAL SERVICES: ENERGY EFFICIENCY MEASURES

EXAMPLE: MIDDENMEER, AMSTERDAM (NL)

MEERENERGIE COOPERATIVE DHC NETWORK

- TECHNICAL SOLUTION (HEAT FROM DATA CENTRE & ICE-RINK)
- MULTI-STAKEHOLDER COLLABORATION (IT COMPANY + ENERGY COMPANY+ DSO + MUNICIPALITY)

CHALLENGES

- KNOWLEDGE GAP
- LACK OF STAFF
- UNCLEAR LEGISLATION AT NATIONAL LEVEL
- RELATIONS WITH DSOs

SOLUTIONS

- CAPACITY BUILDING
- MORE RESOURCES
- STANDARD PROCEDURES AND ENABLING PROCUREMENT RULES
- STREAMLINED PROCESSES AND DATA SHARING

SOME USEFUL RESOURCES

Energy, Climate change, Environment

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the support you need to move forward with your
community energy project.

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COMMUNITY-LED ENERGY FOR MASSIVE RENEWABLE PRODUCTION HUB

PROVIDING CITIES WITH TOOLS TO INCREASE THEIR
LOCALLY-OWNED RENEWABLE ENERGY PRODUCTION



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Are you wondering how to secure affordable renewable energy for all? How to reap socio-economic benefit of local energy systems? How to foster remunicipalisation strategies and help energy communities emerge across Europe? **Then the Community-led energy for massive renewable production Hub is for you!**

We will provide your city with tools to increase renewable installations owned by your municipality and its inhabitants.

We will advocate for EU and national targets adapted to the local potential, for lifting all national obstacles and providing support for local governments willing to increase their locally-owned renewable energy production.



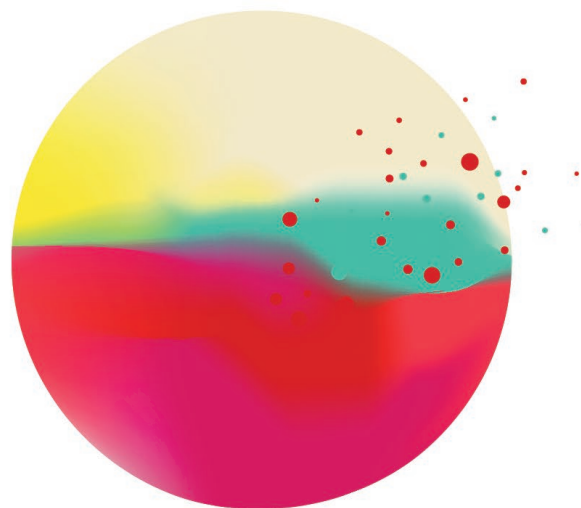
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Community Energy Espresso training





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