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Welcome & introduction

October 25, 2023



Ioannis Konstas Q-Plan/W4RES

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October 25

Energy communities and renewable energy, accelerating Europe's transition towards a climate neutral, inclusive future



Organised by BECoop, NRG2PEERS, UP-STAIRS and W4RES

Master of ceremony: Ioannis Konstas, Q-PLAN

8.45 - 9.00 - Registration & welcome coffee

9.00 - 9.15 - **Keynote** - Tadhg O'Briain, European Commission, DG Energy, Deputy Head of Unit for Consumers, Local Initiatives and Just Transition (tbc)

9.15 - 9.40 - Skill up! RECs, RES, inclusivity: What are we talking about? Fire pitching of the 4 projects

- Dimitrios Chapizanis, White Research (representing BECoop)
- Simona D'Oca, Huygen Engineers and Consultants (representing NRG2peers)
- Lorena Sánchez Relaño, IERC (representing UP-STAIRS)
- Giulia Zendron, White Research (representing W4RES)

9.40 - 11.00 - Policy panel: Driving a clean energy transition through taping the biomass potential, boosting rescoops and empowering women as agents of change: discussing the projects' recommendations

Moderation: Pádraig Lyons, IERC

Fire pitch by project representatives:

- Diana Süsser, IEECP (for BECoop)
- Anna Klöpper, UIPI (for NRG2Peers)
- Paweł Gilewski, Polish National Energy Conservation Agency (KAPE) (for UP-STAIRS)
- Elsebeth Terkelsen, European Green Cities (for W4RES)

Then joined in a panel by:

- Stavroula Pappa, REScoop.eu
- Tadhg O'Briain, European Commission, DG Energy

11.00 - 11.15 - Coffee break

11.15 - 12.15 - Get inspired - Innovative Approaches, Success stories from the RES and RHC ecosystems

Moderation: Dara Tumbull, Housing Europe

- BECoop From your morning coffee to heat: Vasilis Filippou (ESEK)
- NRG2peers Lessons learnt from the pilot sites: Eelke Kingma (Schoonschip)
- UP-STAIRS One-Stop-Shops to empower community energy: Ivanka Pandelieva-Dimova (Sofia Energy Centre)
- W4RES Charlotte Schlicke (Steinbeis Europa Zentrum) and Carina Holzapfel (H2MC)

12.15 - 13.30 - Lunch + poster session

13.30 - 14.30 - The legacy of our projects / Looking forward - Once our projects end: what comes next? How can we replicate our projects' findings/work?

Moderation: Dimitrios Chapizanis, White Research

- W4RES: Ioannis Konstas, Q-PLAN The next steps for W4RES in terms of gender awareness in RES - The way to an inclusive energy transition
- UP-STAIRS: Paco Jofra, Ecoserveis Association
- NRG2peers: Stefan Kop, Spectral & Sylvia Breukers, Dune Works Tool and follow-up projects.
- BECoop: Kostas Dasopoulos, Q-PLAN Adjusted Business Model Canva for RESCoops

14.30 - 15.30 - Networking session

- W4RES co-creation workshop "DIY Gender Equal RES sector: Dive into practice with W4RES towards a gender equal RHC and RES sector". Register here (the number of seats is limited).
- · Poster presentations, world café discussions, access to computers to play with our tools, etc.

Keynote

October 25, 2023 - From 9.00 to 9.15



Tadhg O'Briain

European Commission, DG Energy,

Head of Unit for Consumers, Local

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Skill up! RECs, RES, inclusivity:

"Introduction of our projects"

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UNLOCKING THE COMMUNITY BIOENERGY POTENTIAL

BECoop Project Overview

Dimitris Chapizanis, Project Coordinator | White Research



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• **Bioenergy** holds the highest potential for replacing fossil-fuelled heat

Dire need for increasing bioenergy towards decarbonising the EU energy system

- Community energy, RESCoops: key factor for future RE market uptake
- Dispersion and range of RESCoops across Europe is still limited
 - still relatively undeveloped in southern, central and eastern Europe
- Only a small share of RESCoops use biomass

The bioenergy industry is missing out on important market opportunities

BECoop: Project in a nutshell

LC-SC3-RES-28-2018-2019-2020 - Market Uptake support

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market research, social, technical, business, knowledge transfer and policy components

A suite of **supporting resources and tools** for community bioenergy project development •

exploration and support of **H** new bioenergy heating communities (BECoop RESCoops)

We test the implementation of community bioenergy heating support scheme in diverse, complementary pilot cases in regions with high replication potential across EU



PL: Local Authorities to initiate a new





BECoop: Project numbers

We mobilise people around community bioenergy

 We validate our results and open the policy debate on how community bioenergy at loc national and EU level can be fostered.

1 EU level and **4** national level and policy roadmaps

50+ events (co-creation workshops, consultations, webinars, info days, etc.)

30+ community bioenergy **cases analysed**

10+ (25) sister projects synergies

4 BECoop pilot cases and **8** additional **replication cases** of our concept







BECoop: Project's legacy

We make bioenergy community heating more appealing

The BECoop Replication handbook



- Builds upon the entire project experience and pilot implementation results
- Provides a **step wise approach** for the development or expansion of community bioenergy heating initiatives



 \rightarrow Check Poster Session 12:15 – 13:30

Self-assessment tool | BECoop Toolkit | E-market environment

all resources readily available at the

BECoop Knowledge Exchange Platform

https://becoop-kep.eu/

and BECoop project website

<u>www.becoop-project.eu</u>

BECoop: Joining forces

We empower the community bioenergy ecosystem to scale



BECoop: see you around!

Let's unlock the community bioenergy potential

Thank you for your time!

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Towards a new generation of EU peer-to-peer Energy Communities facilitated by a gamified platform and empowered by user-centred energy trading mechanisms and business models

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Experiences from pilots for developing Readiness Level Framework Indicators

Smart demand-response mechanisms Optimization of energy consumption and peak demand at community level

Adoption of community-based nudging mechanisms supporting the transition



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Financial savings

Local self-resilience

Environmental savings





Experiences from pilots for developing Readiness Level Framework Indicators

NRG2

PFFRS

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Adoption of community-based nudging mechanisms supporting the transition

ADVISORY APP

educate prosumers and EC members about the practicalities of setting up or participating in peer-to-peer / energy trading mechanisms & RLIT



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Key recommendations for P2P Energy Communities in EU





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Welcome to UP-STAIRS, the EU-funded program to establish "One-stop-shops" helping to set-up Citizen and Renewable Energy Communities

PLEASE SELECT YOUR REGION



Regional Energy Agency of Upper Austria

SELECT



Cork City Council

SELECT



BULGARIA Municipality of Asenovgrad



SELECT



BULGARIA Municipalities from the Rhodope Region

UP-STAIRS Uplifting Energy Communities

www.h2020-upstairs.eu



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WOMEN FOR MARKET UPTAKE OF RENEWABLE HEATING AND COOLING

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Giulia Zendron

White Research

W4RES

Tapping into the potential of women for supporting renewable energy in the heating and cooling market

- EU funded
- 12 partners

PLAN

Agenzia per la Promozion della Ricerca Europe

- 8 European countries
- Timeframe: 2020 2023

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Heating and Cooling and the transition to a greener industry



50% of Europe's final energy demand

23% renewable energy in heating/cooling in 2018

80% of EU's demand from natural gas (=90% of EU gas imports)

38% of EU emissions from heating



Women representation in the sector





W4RES main scope

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EU renewable energy targets for 2030

Addressing the **Transition** from Fossil Fuels **to Renewable Energy** Scaling up the **involvement** of women in the market deployment and uptake of RHC solutions

W4RES in a nutshell



Reccomendations



Our results...





- Women-led RHC projects
- Mentors Role Models
- RHC Community Insider
- Resources & Tools
- RHC Market Uptake Reports
- RHC Forum

Regional Hubs



- Country Hub main statistics
- Financial Framework

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- Regional Hub service portfolio
- Supported initiatives

Support Schemes for Women-led RHC Projects





National Campaigns

- Local awareness raising campaigns
- Capacity building seminars and trainings
- Regional Hackathons
- Mutual learning workshops



... to support the development of a more competitive, inclusive and gender-responsive EU RHC landscape.

Policy Recommendations

Replication Guide &

Toolkit





About us News Events Publications







Women for market uptake of renewable heating and cooling

W4RES #Women4RES is a 3-year-EU-funded project, which aims at scaling-up the involvement of women in the market deployment and uptake of Renewable Heating and Cooling (RHC) solutions via replicable support measures tested and validated across the 8 respective countries.





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Policy Panel

"Driving a clean energy transition through taping the biomass potential, boosting rescoops and empowering women as agents of change: discussing the projects' recommendations"

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Policy roadmaps promoting bioenergy communities in the European Union

Dr Diana Süsser







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Peer2Peer Energy Communities -Policy recommendations on EU and national level



Anna Klöpper – Communication and Project Officer International Union of Property Owners (UIPI)

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Barriers and recommendations based on experiences in 4 Pilot Countries: the Netherlands, Slovenia, Spain and Italy





NRG2

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Presenter name

Organisation

NRG2Peers Policy Recommendations – EU level

Recommendation 1: Development of Clear Business Models

Recommendation 2: Funding and Financial Support

Recommendation 3: Empower Citizens and Increase Knowledge




NRG2Peers Policy Recommendations – National level

> **Recommendation 1:** Comprehensive Regulatory Framework

> **Recommendation 2:** Financial, Administrative, and Logistical Support





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Krajowa Agencja Poszanowania Energii S.A.

Challenges and opportunities for collective and cooperative actions

Paweł Gilewski, PhD The Polish National Energy Conservation Agency Warsaw University of Technology, Poland





Challenges



- The participation of residents in energy communities depends to a large extent on the availability of programs co-financing individual activities.
- The existence of a thorough legislative framework for energy communities.
- The need to inform citizens about energy community activities and energy efficiency and renewable energy measures.



Opportunities

- Close cooperation between representatives of local authorities and representatives of One Stop Shops can have a positive impact on the operation of energy communities.
- It is very important to have a specific legislative and regulatory framework for energy communities at national/regional level, as this increases the willingness of residents to participate in collective actions and the creation of energy communities.





Recommendations

- Reducing excessively high pre-requirements that can discourage residents.
- The initiative of the energy community should be promoted and facilitated through an appropriate legislative framework.
- Promotion of the concept of energy communities by national authorities, which can increase trust in the concept.



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- Aarhus and Copenhagen, Denmark
- Network, non-profit supporting the development of green cities (sustainable energy supply, energy efficiency, mobility and biodiversity) – by promoting and participating in innovation projects
- 57 cities in 19 countries

Policy Recommendations



Support **women** in driving market **uptake** of renewable heating and cooling (**RHC**)





Policy Recommendations

- **1**. Support a Gender Balanced RHC Sector for Future Generations
- 2. Promoting an Inclusive Workplace in the RHC Sector
- 3. Advancing Gender Equity in the RHC Sector
- 4. Institutionalize Awareness on Gender Mainstreaming
- Raise and Provide Funds for Women-Led Projects in the RHC Sector

Policy Recommendations 1



1. Support for a gender balanced RHC sector in future generation

- Awareness Campaigns in Schools
- Connect Climate Protection and STEM
- Facilitate School-Company Cooperation
- Emphasize Intercultural and Social Skills
- Skills Training and Technical Support

Policy Recommendations 2



2. Promoting an Inclusive Workplace in the RHC Sector

- Gender Quotas
- Networking Opportunities
- Mentoring Programs
- Gender and Family-Friendly Policies
- Gender-Responsive Budgeting
- Safe Reporting Procedures

European Green Cities as Work Place



- Gender Policy for Employing
- 30-hour Work Week
- Remote Work
- Travel Policy



Policy Recommendations 3



3. Advancing Gender Equity in the RHC Sector

- Inclusivity Training
- Gender-Disaggregated Data
- Gender-Quota Decision Making
- Gender-Inclusive Communication
- Gender-Smart Policies
- Gender-Ready Energy Cooperatives

Policy Recommendations 4



4. Institutionalize Awareness on Gender **Mainstreaming**

- Awareness Campaigns in Industry \bullet
- **Gender-Smart Training**
- **Promotional Campaigns**
- Visibility of Women-Led Initiatives

Visibility of Women-Led Initiatives



W4RES - Women for market uptake of renewable heating... 477 followers

#Women4RES has been supporting promising women-led projects in the energy and renewable heating and cooling sectors.

...see more

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UIA 2023 World Congress Copenhagen Anne Mette Niebuhr

"The UIA 2023 World Congress is an opportunity to meet and engage with some of the most influential and innovative profiles in the built environment. Under the headline 'Sustainable Futures – Leave no one behind', the UN Sustainable Development Goals will frame the congress and

Goals will frame the congress and guide the development of sessions and events."

#Women4RES w4res.EU







Policy Recommendations 5



5. Raise and Provide Funds for Women-Led Projects in the RHC Sector

- Raise Awareness of Financial Barriers
- Quotas for Gender-Just Projects
- Support Women-Led Initiatives
- Encourage Research Participation

Avedøre Green City







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Get inspired

"Innovative approaches, success stories from the RES and RHC ecosystems"

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The Regional Unit of Karditsa



Energy

EEEK Community of Karditsa







Plastira Lake



The Karditsa plain



- Population: 113,544 inh. (2011 census)
 - 1 % of the Greek population
 - 34 % of the local population lives in the city of Karditsa
- Area: 2.636 Km²
 - Flat land: 47.7 %
 - Mountainous areas: 44 %
 - Semi-mountainous areas: 8.3 %
- Eastern part: part of the Thessaly plain
- Western part: Agrafa mountains

The Energy Community of Karditsa – of Karditsa a short history







- It is based in the participation of citizens and SMEs of Karditsa's prefecture (or originating from it) who are sharing a common vision of an energy independent prefecture. 400 members.
- It is supported by local authorities:
 - Chamber of Commerce,
 - Regional Authority,
 - Municipalities,
 - Cooperative bank
- It was hosted in the "incubator" of the Development Agency.



Origin of biomass supplied for energy in 2016 in the EU-28. Source: NREAP Progress Reports.



https://ec.europa.eu/eurostat/web/energy/data/shares https://ec.europa.eu/energy/topics/renewable-energy/progress-reports_en?redir=1

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Solid biofuel plant



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H2020 / GA 952930 Topic: LC-SC3-RES-28-2018-2019-2020 - Market Uptake support

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• We validate our results and open the policy debate on how community bioenergy at local, national and EU level can be fostered.

20+ community bioenergy cases analysed

50+ events (co-creation workshops, consultations, webinars, info days, etc.)



• We empower the community bioenergy **ecosystem to scale** - 8 additional **replication cases** of our concept

Expanding the ESEK business model through BECoop



New ESEK activities: biomass sourcing























Coffee pellet project






















ON GOING PROJECT GREENPEACE

✓ Photovoltaic construction for net metering (rooftops)







UP COMING PROJECT

✓ Photovoltaic construction for virtual net metering

✓ 1 MW (Land)

✓ **100 KW** (Roof)















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Thank you!

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UP-STAIRS One-Stop-Shops to Empower Community Energy

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RE-energising Europe – Sharing ideas and knowledge

24-25 October 2023 Brussels, Belgium



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Concept



- Creation of OSSs in five pilot regions: Asenovgrad Municipality (Bulgaria), Barcelona Metropolitan Area (Catalonia, Spain), Cork City (Ireland), Upper Austria Region (Austria), Rhodoshop (Rhodope Region, Bulgaria);
- OSSs help the creation of energy communities and assist citizens in the energy transition through provision of holistic advice according to the local or regional needs;
- OSSs establishment and operation is based on Business Model Framework (BMF) developed within the project and adapted to each pilot context.



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Focus of OSSs services



SS Barcelona и OSS Upper Austria focus mainly but not exclusively on support for creation of Renewable Energy Communities and implementation of RES (PV) in buildings;

OSS Asenovgrad, OSS Cork и OSS Rhodoshop focus mainly but not exclusively on support for creation of Citizen Energy Communities for energy refurbishment of residential buildings.



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Key successes in figures



- People outreached: 62 511
- People involved/engaged: 11 857
- Energy savings (expected): 17.2 GWh/y
- PV energy (to be) produced: 58.1 GWh/y
- Building area (to be) refurbished: 316 751 sq.m.
- PV energy (to be) installed: 40 MW
- Associated expected investment: 71.7 MEuro
- Energy communities supported: 340



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Key findings from OSS operation Background

Lack of key information for homeowners:

- \checkmark where to start on establishing an energy community in their area.
- \checkmark the route to getting financial help;
- \checkmark policy framework and where to find it;
- \checkmark the increased community benefits.

Challenges and Lessons

- ✓ Numerous regulatory barriers to establishing a renewable energy community (Ireland and Bulgaria);
- ✓ Capacity in the construction area not sufficient in a reasonable timeframe across all grant routes (Ireland).
- Service should be free for citizens, especially those at risk of energy poverty;
- Technical and legal background of ICs important;
- Proactive behaviour of ICs needed;
- Coordination between many home owners in one building a challenge (Bulgaria);
- ✓ Low awareness and lack of interest towards ESCO contracts as funding option (Bulgaria).



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OSS Cork Home Energy UpGrade Office



6500 citizens informed about benefits of Energy Community formation in

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Ireland

OSS Asenovgrad buildings

Before



After



Uplifting Communi



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OSS Barcelona Metropolitan Area

Engaging activities to promote self consumption and energy communities

- Citizens assistance: 1770 citizens
 - 1 special session (shared self consumption in a multi-family building)
- SME's assistance: 590 SME's









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OSS Upper Austria



- 1000+ individual advice sessions
- 50+ events with 2500+ participants
- 100+ Energy Communities in operation in Upper Austria



More information:



Covenant of Mayors Investment Forum - Energy Efficiency Finance Marketplace 2023

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Supporting women-led projects for renewable energy heating and cooling

Charlotte Schlicke



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Tapping into the potential of women for supporting renewable energy in the heating and cooling market





8 European countries – Regional Hubs	12 partners

Market uptake support measures





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Market uptake support measures – Business, innovation and technical support



Project phase	Business support service	s Technical support services
Ideation &	:	Design Thinking & Brainstorming Idea scanning & development
Initial Project Analysis & Planning	 Market research & trends analysis Financial planning Business modelling Environmental modelling IPR Management 	 Analysing local conditions & data Assessing technical feasibility Screening legal frame Supporting rough design & sizing
Assessment of Funding Options	:	Assessment of funding options Training on R&I funding programmes Investment readiness trainings
Engage Stakeholders	:	Matchmaking & pitching events Partnering with local clusters Stakeholder analysis & user engagement
Detailed Concept Development & Implementation Plan	Business model reviewImplementation roadmap	 Scenarios and 3D building simulations Boundary conditions Fine sizing, e.g. grid planning
Implementation & Building Phase	:	Project management Adaptations to changing circumstances Life Cycle Assessment
Operations & Monitoring	 Feedback integration & Adaptations to business model 	 Project Documentation Monitoring via UN 17 SDGs Certification
Transfer	 Transfer to other projects Knowledge sharing (Green Cities) 	Technical project analysisUser feedback
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	49 services	22 services

Service Catalogue:

71 services

Method used to: Supporting hands-on promising women-led projects for renewable energy heating and cooling





Selected women-led projects for renewable energy heating and cooling



56 women-led projects were supported



First Round Second Round





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HEAT TRANSITION OLD BUILDINGS:



High costs

Complex regulations

Technical & planning requirements





HEAT PUMP

- High acquisition and
- High operating costs

PELLET HEATING

- CO2 and fine dust emissions,
- Costly renovation and
 - readjustment,
- Storage of the pellets

OTHER ELECTRICAL HEATING SOLUTIONS

- High acquisition and
- High operating costs









FUTURE

Co-Creation Partner

Go-to-market Strategy



PRESENT Efficiency Certificate Automation

Funding

PAST Prototype long-term test Patent

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The legacy of our projects

"What comes next? How can we replicate our projects' findings and work?"

October 25, 2023 - From 13.30 to 14.30



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WOMEN FOR MARKET UPTAKE OF RENEWABLE HEATING AND COOLING

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Since he did not want to give me

the contract and the boss said that

"my biological clock was ticking". I was shocked because it was my

first experience with a glass

ceiling

Tapping into the potential of women for supporting renewable energy in the heating and cooling market

- Support for young women willing to pursue a STEM related education
- Support for women/mothers to not penalize their (early) career development
- Visibility for successful women in RHC
- Support for participation in networking events

Coaching and mentoring programs for female entrepreneurs
 Business support, skills training, and technical support
 Communications campaigns targeted to female users
 Collection and assessment of gender disaggregated data




Energy Transition





"... To be truly transformative, energy access and the energy sector must be linked with an agenda that challenges the stereotypes of women and that also advances their rights, dignity and visibility in their various roles as consumers, producers, investors, experts, and agents of change.."



Exploring the role of PAs in ECs promotion

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Project Description – in a nutshell

Objectives

- Accelerating the creation of new energy communities in 5 pilot regions
- Supporting citizens and municipalities in becoming prosumers
- Testing new Energy Service model frameworks of One-Stop-Shops for local collective actions which support local stakeholders in working together
- Stimulating replication in other regions throughout the EU.

Impacts

- Setting-up and testing 5 One-Stop-Shops for energy communities and collective local action
- Triggering 66 million Euro in sustainable energy investments / energy-related investments
- Engaging 10,000 consumers in sustainable energy activities





One Stop Shops deployment

PHASES

FIELDS







Our One Stop Shop Pilots









Cork City Council's new Home Energy Upgrade Office (HEUGO)





Barcelona Metropolitan Area











Upper Austria









Asenovgrad & Rhodope Region









Key findings from our training programmes











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THANK YOU!

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Development of Digital Tools to enable the uptake of Energy Communities

Sylvia Breukers & Stefan Kop Project Members / Work Package Lead Duneworks & Spectral

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Readiness Level Framework

- Co-creation; iterative rounds: comprehensive, multi-disciplinary (2020-2021)
- Envisaged users of the tool:
 ECs and policy actors
- Assessment tool; support tool for dialogue and decision making

The conceptual elaboration of the RLF offers detailed insight in the type of user-related, organisational, institutional, market and technological elements that need to be in place for communities to become engaged in P2P in a manner that will generate value for the community.

Organisational readiness

Readiness Level Framework

User readiness

Market readiness



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Institutional readiness



Readiness Level Indicator Tool (RLIT)

Key features:

- Translation of the framework into a digital tool
- Target users: energy communities
- Guided "survey" with direct recommendations / suggestions
 - User, organizational, technological and infrastructural readiness

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Scoring

Total Score

You've scored an overal score of 43%.

In this scoring the weightings you see below are applied.

Per Category

Category	Score	Weighting
Knowledge & Awareness	11%	25%
Values & Goals	40%	25%
Willingness & Ability	100%	50%





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Improvement Suggestions

Knowledge & Awareness

Depending on your score, you may want to address the following in your communication to and interactions with the users. In general, it is good to try and use as little (technical) jargon as possible, and to make use of visuals and/or video/animations as well. You can save yourself time by using existing materials provided by trustworthy and credible organisations (e.g. REScoop or national branches).

In the provision of informative materials and the discussions about these, consider the following topics to be addressed (not all at the same time!):

- Climate change and energy transition challenges
- Self-generation and self-consumption and why this can be a good idea for this community
- Variable tariffs, how they are relevant and what it could mean for the day-to-day household practices
- Demand flexibility, and what participation in P2P can entail for this community, and how P2P may affect their day-to-day household practices.
- What an energy management system is and what it does
- How the energy management within the community relates to the bigger picture (grid balance; creating space for more Res)

In addition, it is good to discuss the various benefits, as well as the disbenefits and possible risks of participating in P2P energy exchange. Benefits can refer to environmental, social, economic and financial aspects. These may accrue to the level of households, the community, the energy system, society at large.

At some point, it will also be important to start discussing how energy data monitoring is done or envisaged, why, and how data privacy and security is (to be) dealt with.

When users are informed about what they agree to in terms of data monitoring it is essential to use as little jargon as possible.

Make sure that the interface of e.g. the energy monitoring dashboard, is in line with (diverse) user needs as much as possible. This means that you need to inquire into their needs before, during and after the set-up of the user interface (during the use phase, new lessons are to be learned about the user-friendliness of the interface). Try to find out why those that do not use the interface, do not use it.



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Advisory App

Key features:

- Community of communities
- Sharing of knowledge from and for (upcoming) communities and experts
- Structured around the same categories of the RLIT



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Advisory App

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- Community of communities
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- Structured around the same categories of the RLIT
- Community page with specific information of the community
 - Option to link to RLIT scores



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Participatory Assessment

Qualitative approach: survey; workshop; interviews

- September 2022 and Summer 2024
- First iteration: used to improve the tools
- Round 2: summer 2024 recommendations for further improvements

Lessons learned:

- Striking the right balance generic specific
- Goal of the tools: assessment or awareness and conversation
- Forum: appreciated for its practical experiences
- P2P as a mobilizing concept
- Lost in translation (digitalisation)
- Engage the future hosts of the tool

Understandability Usability User-friendliness Attractiveness Reliability Credibility and Trustworthiness Cost-effectiveness

Decision-driving potential





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Adjusted Business Model Canva for RESCoops

BECoop Final Event - RE-Energising Europe Q-PLAN INTERNATIONAL

Kostas Dasopoulos

Brussels, 25th October 2023

Process to develop the business model canvas



 PROBLEMS & BARRIERS Non sustainable urban pruning waste Unused coffee residues Unexploited forest residues Significant local energy poverty Fossil fuel dominance of heating Lack of awareness of biomass be Regulatory & Institutional barrier 	enefits rs	SOLUTIONS Affordable F Decarbonization buildings, logging 	 Pr RH to the local community w ation of heat energy for public Biocal industries and households 	roduction of solid biofuels from local aste iomass boilers installation in nunicipal buildings
 KEY PARTNERS Local governance Urban pruning Forest residues Potential end-users (public buildings, schools, pools,) Academia (UTH & CERTH) Scientific support Biofuels optimization Biomass boilers firms Installation, O&M Local community Citizens Coffee houses Biomass owners Local industries (i.e hotels,) 	 VALUE PROP NECP → loca Competitive Tackle energy Unexploited Local waste Decarbonizations Reliable accession Business opp Direct RE to 	OSITIONS al bioenergy biomass price gy poverty residues for RE management tion of the g system ess to RH p. for biomass public buildings tizens	CUSTOMER RELATIONS \hat{P} • Local Households \rightarrow pellets/NEM • Municipal buildings \rightarrow pellets • Local industries \rightarrow bioheat SUSTAINABLE CHANNELS $\stackrel{O \rightarrow \diamond}{\Box \leftarrow O}$ Pruning/Coffee \rightarrow pellets \rightarrow citizens Forest residues \rightarrow pellets \rightarrow citizens Pellets \rightarrow school \rightarrow boiler \rightarrow heat Solar \rightarrow PV \rightarrow NEM \rightarrow members	 CUSTOMER SEGMENTS Energy Community members (ESEK) Local community Municipalities of Karditsa/Plastira Local coffee houses Local industries (i.e hotels,) END OF LIFE A The local exploitation of biomass offers a reliable waste management system aligned with the circularity principles and the bioeconomy.
COST STRUCTURE & ADDITIONAL COSTSOPEX est.Production costs= 30,000 € / year• Equipment ~1MW biomass boilers (x20)100,000€Installation Costs & Grid Implementation100,000€• Transportation, connection, configurationLifetime• R&D, Permits, Taxes, etc.25 years	SUBSIDISATIO Financing s Self-financing (ne Bank Loan (ΣΥΝΕ Accumulation of Crowdfunding	ON sources ew member fees) TAIP. ΚΑΡΔΙΤΣΑΣ) investment capital	REVENUE STREAMS Renewable Energy Savings • 730 MWh,th annual production • Public buildings demands covere • Reduced Energy bills • Pellets trade market	 Other potential revenues Boilers maintenance Hot water from biomass Local/state/ EU incentives Installation in other buildings Revenues*: 64,000 €/year ROI: 25% Pay Back: 4 years
 ENVIRONMENTAL RISKS Air Pollution from materials manufacturing Exhaust emissions in transportation processes Unproper combustion may emit pollutants SOCIAL RISKS Short term loss of fossil fuel-based jobs Competition of local beneficiaries on the produced energy 	EU&National Fu	EU Regional Dev. Fund 2 Cohesion Fund 2 Just transition fund Recover & Resilience. LIFE Program Horizon Europe	 ENVIRONMENTAL BENEFITS ~ 3,000 tn CO2 saved → 600 cars Decarbonization of the thermal g Clean energy to public buildings Circularity within local waste management 	 SOCIAL BENEFITS Creation of new jobs (biomass) Support of the local economy Improved conditions/clean air RE to the wider region of Karditsa RH comfort to public buildings Baised Environmental awareness



NPV	420.834 €		
ROI	24,98%		
Pay-back	4,00 years		
IRR	22,23%		



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