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Enabling community energy

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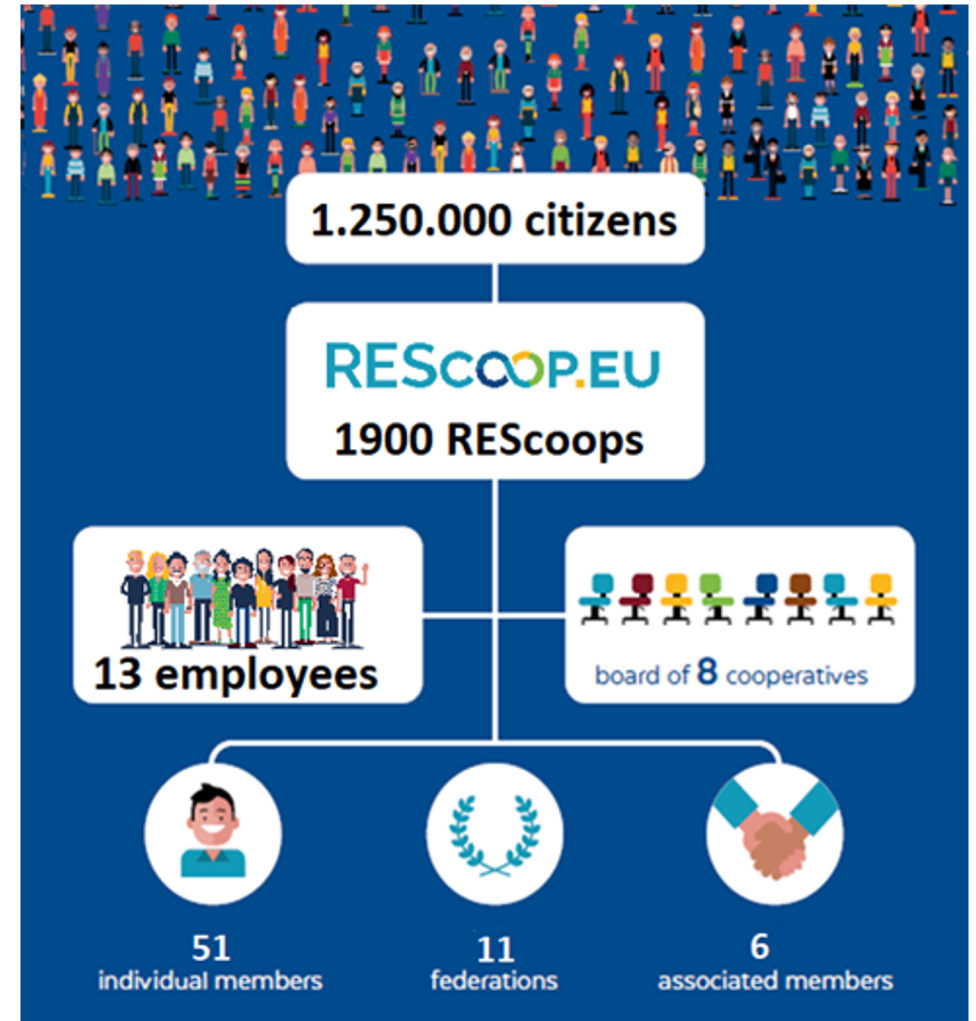


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Who are we?

- REScoop.eu is the European Federation of Citizen Energy Cooperatives
- Established in 2013
- Citizen energy cooperatives are groups of citizens who cooperate in energy transition projects





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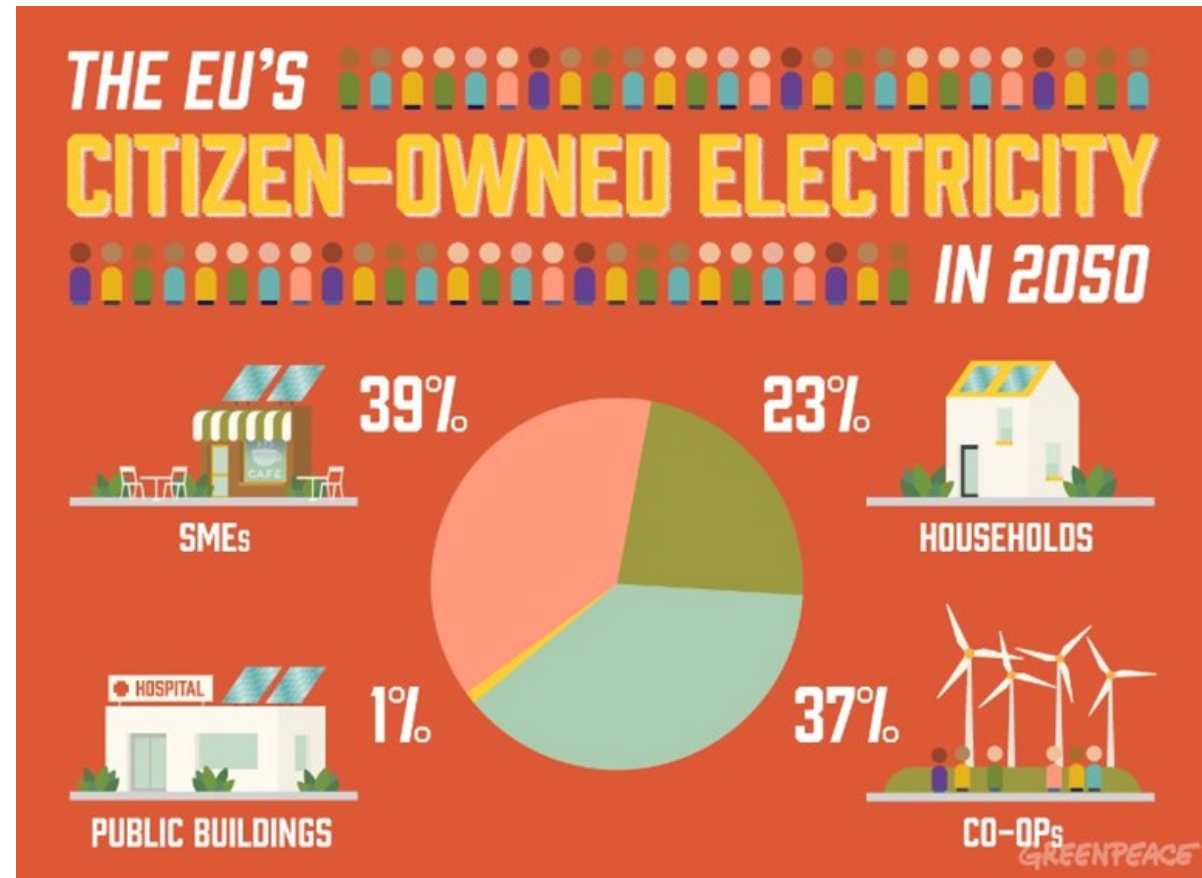
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ENERGY REVOLUTION

10 REASONS TO START OR JOIN A COMMUNITY ENERGY PROJECT

- 1** Help build the system needed to **stop the climate crisis**
- 2** Community renewables **redirect money** from fossil fuels
- 3** It can **reduce energy poverty** in your area
- 4** You'll get to **know your neighbours** and strengthen your community
- 5** You will **produce your own** renewable energy
- 6** Helps **educate** people on the issues of energy, climate and democracy
- 7** It keeps the **money locally** in your community
- 8** You will **show other communities** what is possible
- 9** It will contribute to creating a **more local, more circular economy**
- 10** You will be building the kind of **world you want to see**



Why did we make a guide about empowering energy communities?

We wanted to capture some of the learning and wisdom that has come from those who have already worked hard and learned a lot.

COMMUNITY ENERGY

THE ENERGY TRANSITION NEEDS YOU

Welcome to your community energy handbook. This is your go-to guide, packed with instructions, practical tips and resources, to build a local, community-led renewable energy revolution in Europe.

urban and rural divide, and close the gap between north and south, between rich and poor – because it empowers local people. Community energy leads to energy democracy, holding the promise of an economy and society based on co-operation rather than competition

COMMUNITY ENERGY

THE ORGANISATIONS BEHIND THIS BOOK

The book was put together by three organisations who work together to speed up the development of community energy across Europe.

Friends of the Earth Europe is the largest grassroots environmental network in Europe, uniting more than 30 national Friends of the Earth organisations with thousands of local groups. Friends of the Earth Europe

Energy Cities is a network of 1,000 local governments in 30 countries. Energy Cities believes that the energy transition is more than renewable energy or great technologies: it is about the wise use of resources while

REScoop.eu is the European federation of citizen energy cooperatives, representing over 1500 cooperatives and their 1 million citizens. Founded in 2013 and building on several decades of experience with energy

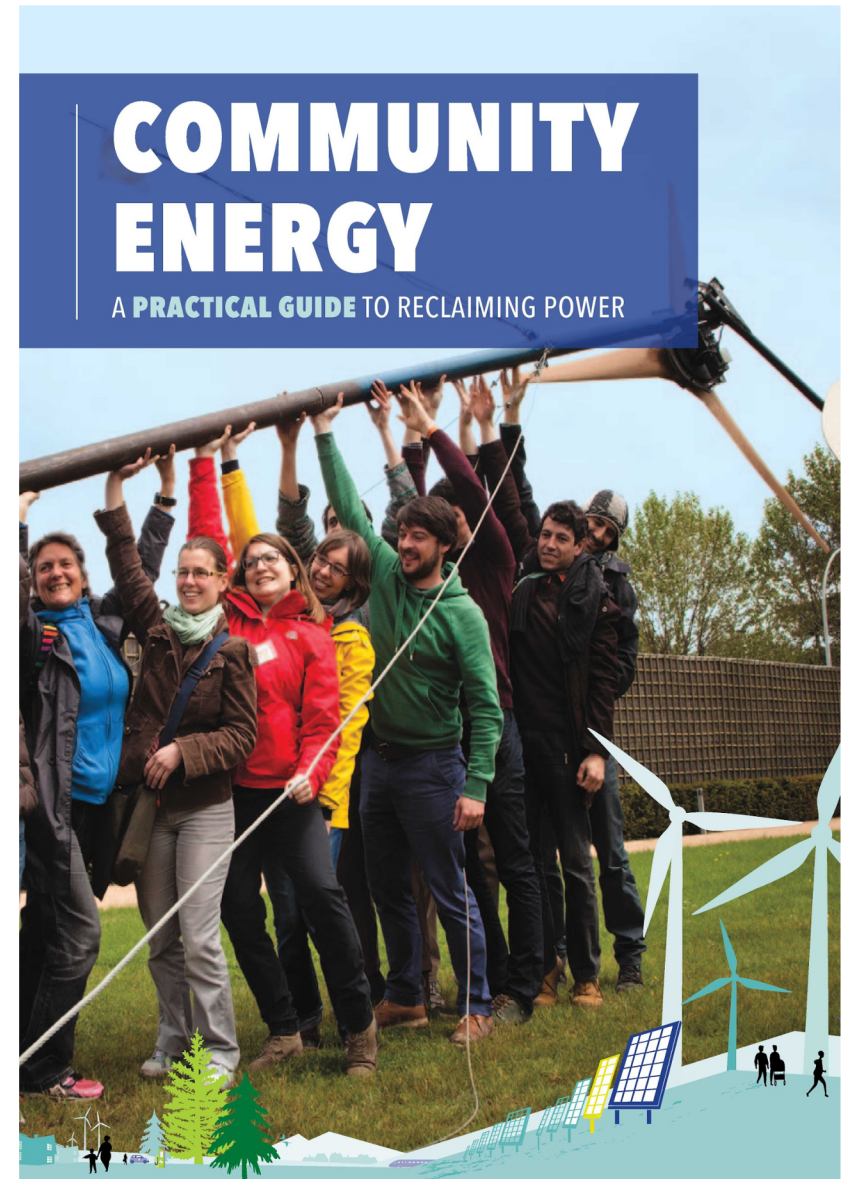


A handbook filled with **practical tips** and **experiences** from projects all across Europe

26 chapters

22 inspiring success stories

Over 80 links to additional resources



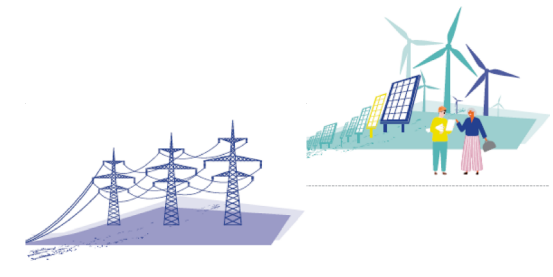
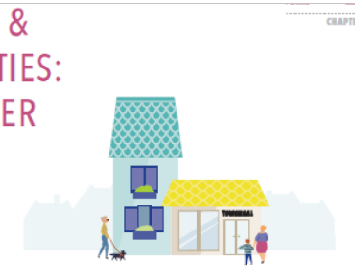


Community energy guide

1. Context
2. Different forms
3. Growing your organization
4. Choice of activities
5. Choice of technologies
6. Maken it happen



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AN IDEAL PARTNER
CHAPTER 7





Chapter 7: Municipalities & local authorities

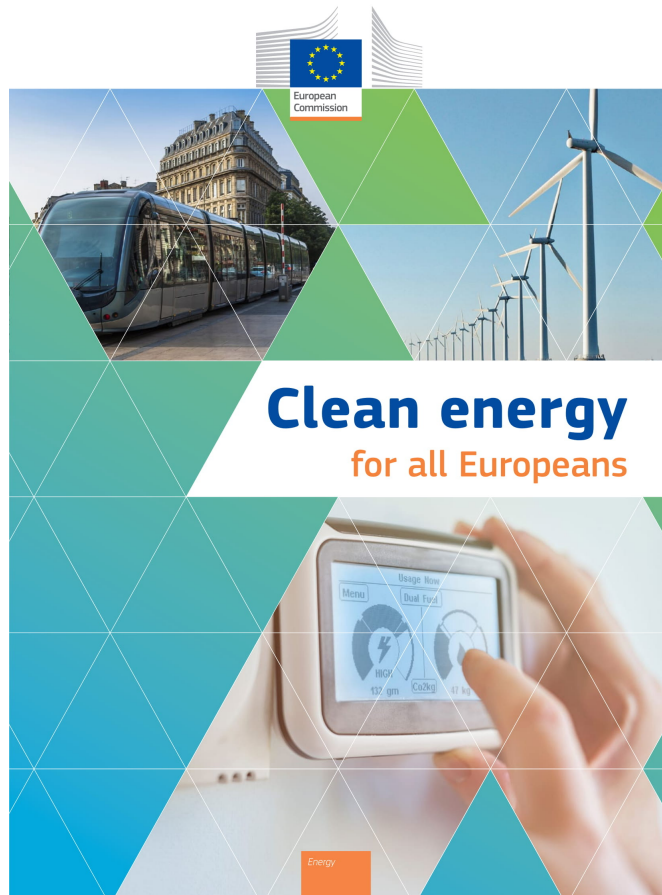
1. Favourable regulations for citizen and community energy
2. Raising awareness
3. Buying power or heat from community energy projects
4. Financing and guaranteeing projects
5. Sharing municipal staff and resources
6. Developing supporting platforms and tools

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New rights for energy communities





Thank you!

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