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Strengthen access to finance for your energy community

One of the biggest challenges for energy communities is securing economic viability and access to finance. From developing a solid business plan to navigating complex administrative processes and building credibility with financial institutions, the journey can be daunting.

The European Energy Communities Facility supports energy communities across Europe by providing funding and capacity building opportunities to ensure their projects are financially sustainable and built for long-term success.



REScoop.EU



REScoop.eu is the European federation of energy communities

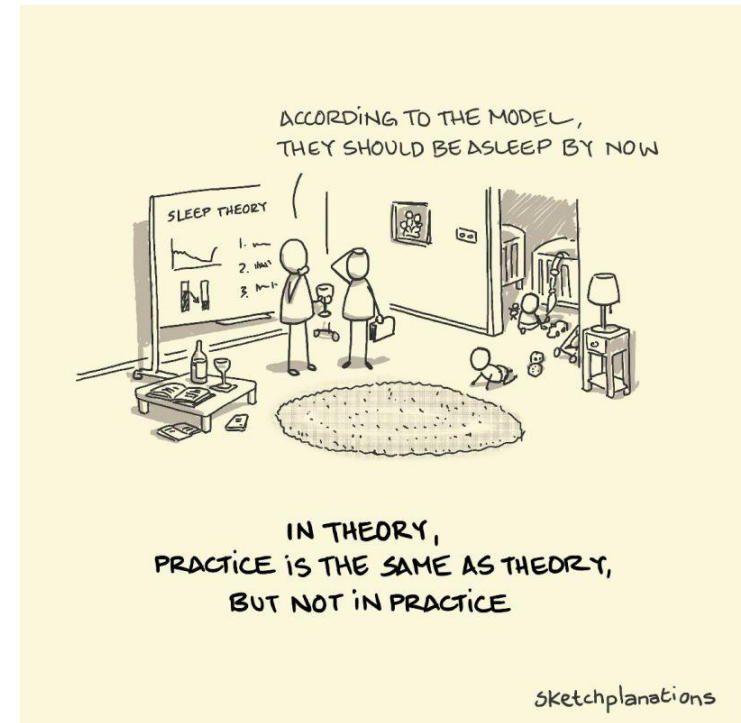
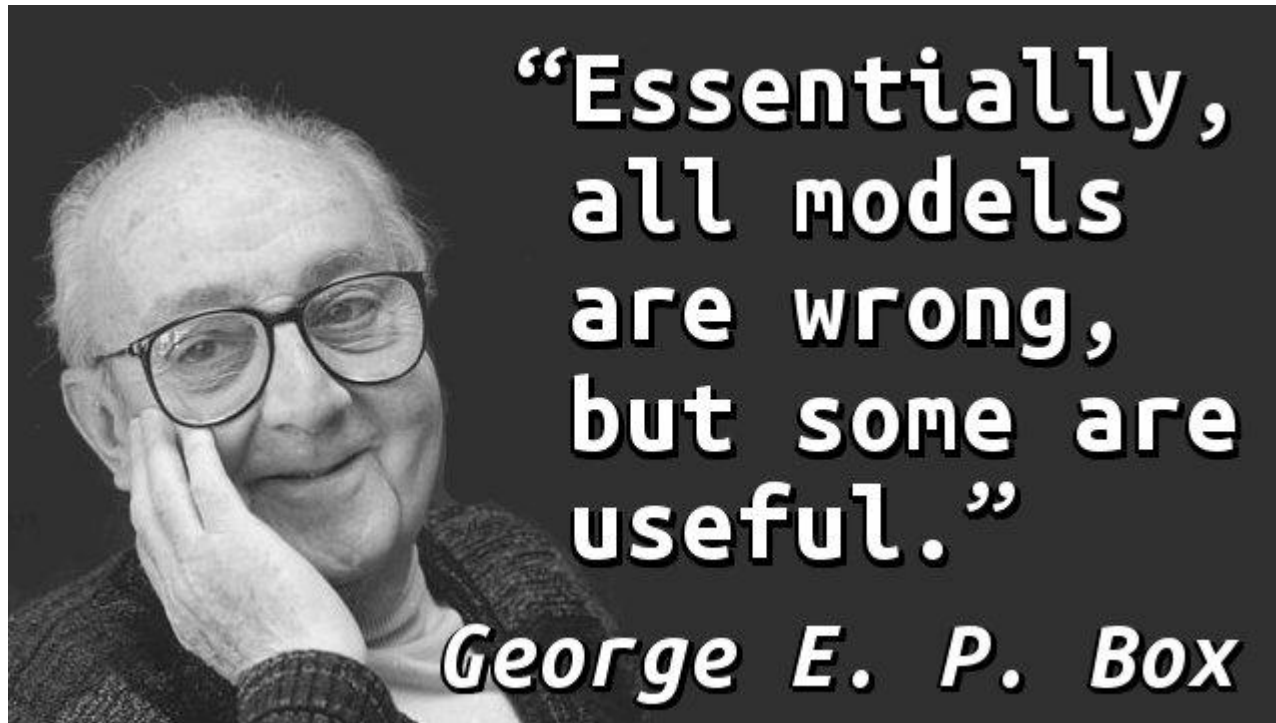
We are a growing network of 2,500 energy communities from across Europe and their 2 million citizens who are active in the energy transition. REScoop.eu members apply the 7 cooperative principles in their daily practice.



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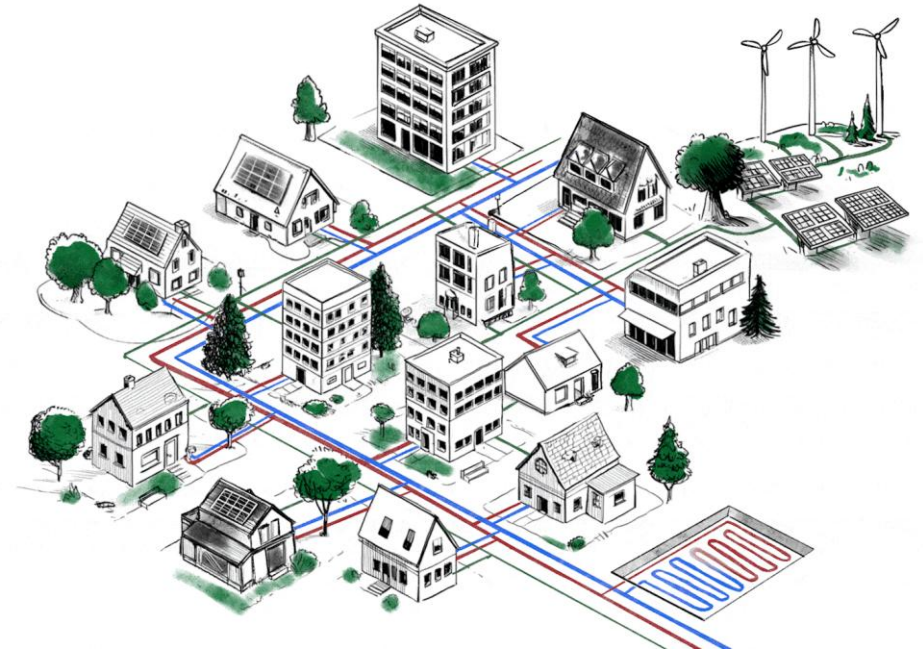
Energy Communities... ...The Silver Bullit?



What is a Energy Community ?

Under European Union law, an energy community is a legal entity where citizens, small businesses, and local authorities voluntarily cooperate to generate, manage, store, consume, or share energy. Driven by environmental and social goals rather than pure profit, it democratizes local energy production

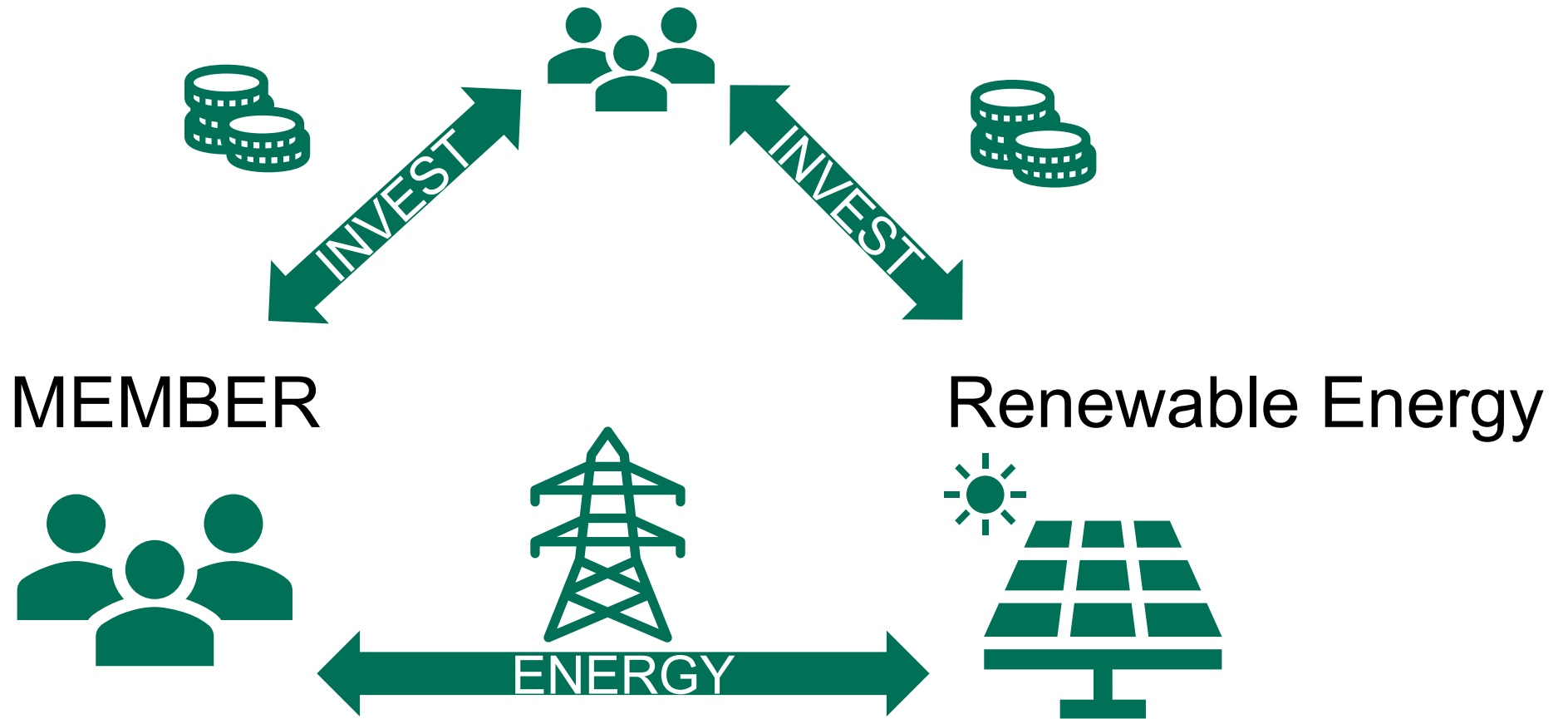
Mind the EU definition §



BUSINESS MODEL

Energy Community

NOT FOR PROFIT



Different models...

Business as usual



Business as usual
+ Compensation



Energy Community



You can even mix
models...

*The most important
things in life aren't
things.*





Advancing citizen energy initiatives in the EU

Focusing on achieving **affordable energy**, increasing access to **renewable technologies**, and **improving energy efficiency**, CEAH will support initiatives such as:

- Renewable energy production and storage
- Energy sharing and peer-to-peer trading
- Energy efficiency improvements
- Effective demand response

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Who will CEAH support?

CEAH is here to **help everyone** participate in a socially fair and inclusive energy transition.

Households

Small Businesses

Municipalities and
local authorities

Energy
Communities

Social Economy
Actors

Small-Scale NGO's



Technical Assistance: next call in September 2026

CEAH will offer **free technical assistance to 120 beneficiaries** from citizen energy projects across Europe. The CEAH TA is available to eligible stakeholders (energy communities, groups of citizens, SMEs, Municipalities, non-profit associations), who are either:

- Implementing a citizen energy initiative or project, or
- Promoting and enabling citizen energy initiatives within their community or territory.
- Type of support: Financial, technical, legal, stakeholder engagement, and capacity-building.
 - Examples of activities covered: production, aggregation, storage, energy sharing, collective self-consumption, e-mobility, citizen panels, collective purchase actions, ...





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Covenant of Mayors 2026
Engagement Action on
Community Energy

Inspiring and empowering municipalities to lead the shift to renewables by embracing community energy to producing one's power at home.

Thank you



Lets talk