

New actors on the electricity market: aggregators and energy communities

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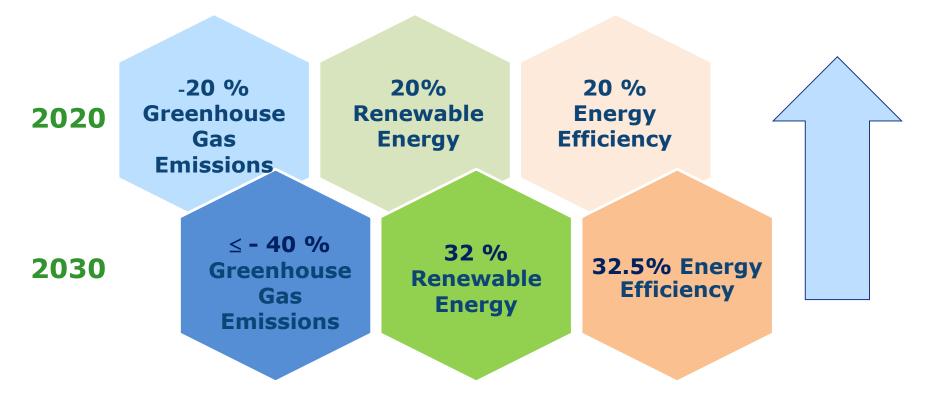
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✓ Energy policy context

✓ Provisions on energy communities and aggregators



Energy and Climate Objectives 2030

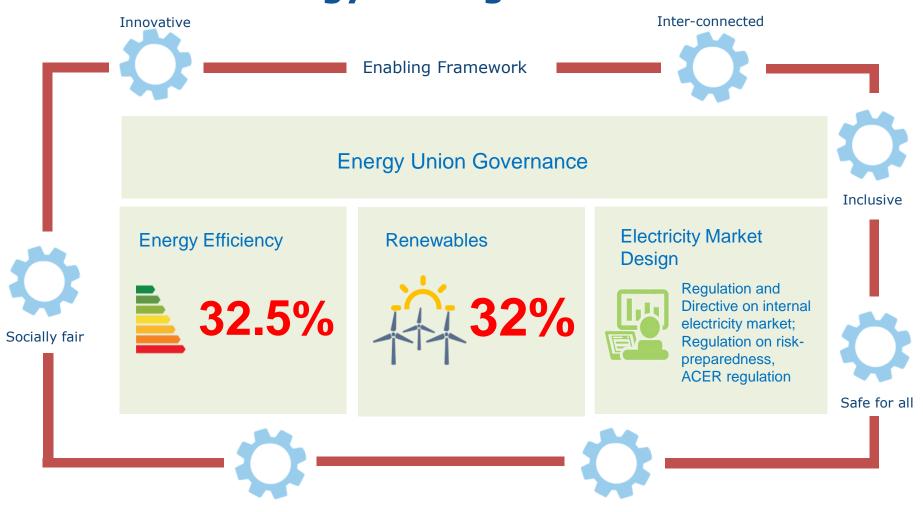






The Clean Energy Package

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Investment-friendly



Purpose of consumer empowerment

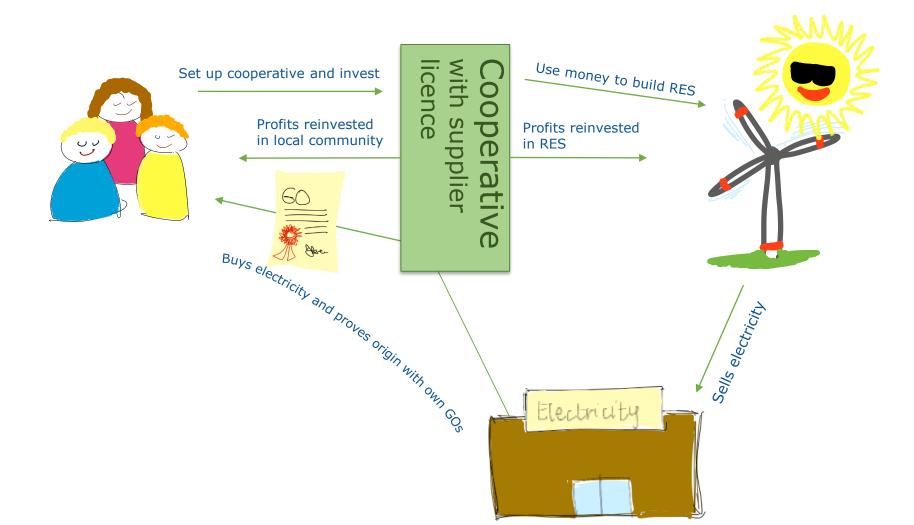


Empowering citizens

- Energy communities are an effective tool to increase project acceptance
- Energy communities are a tool to mobilise private capital for the energy transition
- Energy communities could be a tool to increase flexibility in the market

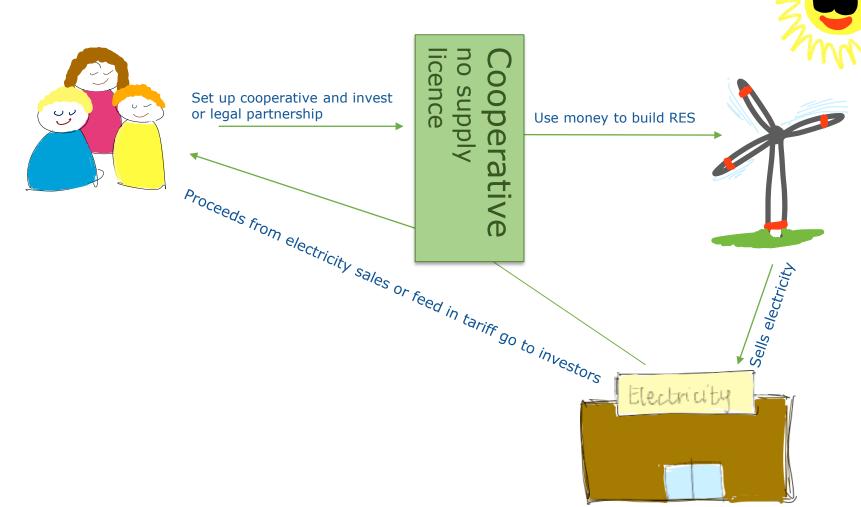


Existing models, e.g. BE, ES



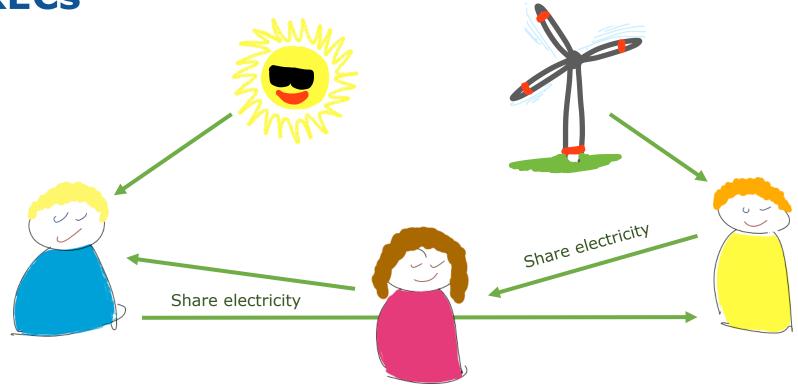








Additional possibilities due to CECs and RECs



- > Innovative: energy sharing and peer-to-peer possibility
- Challenge: redefining consumer/supplier relationship and regulate new configurations appropriately



Citizen Energy Communities

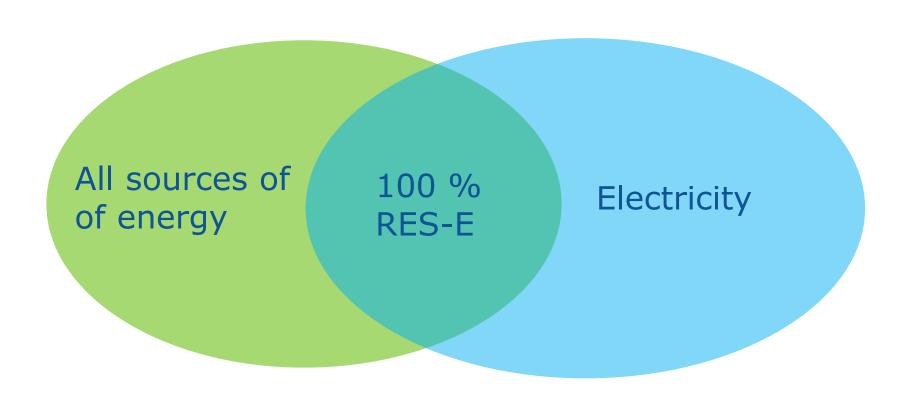
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Renewable Energy Communities

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Conceptual overview





	CEC	REC
Energy	Electricity	Renewable energy
Membership	Any entity	Natural persons, local authorities, SMEs
Control	Effective control by natural persons, local authorities, small enterprises	Effective control by natural persons, local authorities, SMEs located in the proximity of the projects
Purpose	Primary purpose to provide environmental, economic or social community benefts for members of the local area	
Activities	Generation, storage, selling, sharing, aggregation or other energy services, distribution	



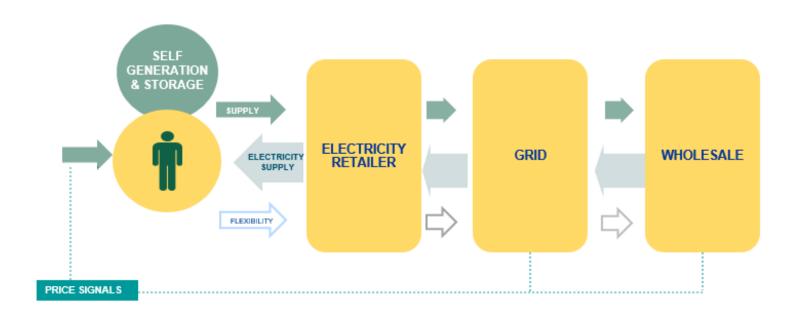
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Art. 2 on definitions: makes clear that both citizens and renewable energy communities are a social concept, rather than for financial profits

Active Consumers

ACTIVE CONSUMERS ARE KEY TO DELIVERING A MORE FLEXIBLE ENERGY SYSTEM...



- Active customers are: <u>Final customers</u>, or jointly active customers within confined boundaries
- Active customers can: Consume, store or sell selfgenerated electricity or participate in flexibility or energy efficiency schemes



Aggregators

- MS to develop framework for independent aggregators (Art 17)
- Consumer can contract independent aggregators without consent of their supplier (Art 13)



Next steps

Transposition deadlines:

- Electricity Directive: 1 January 2021
- RED II: 30 June 2021



Thank you for your attention