

SCALING UP COMMUNITY ENERGY

HOW CAN CITIES HELP ?

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How cities connect to community energy

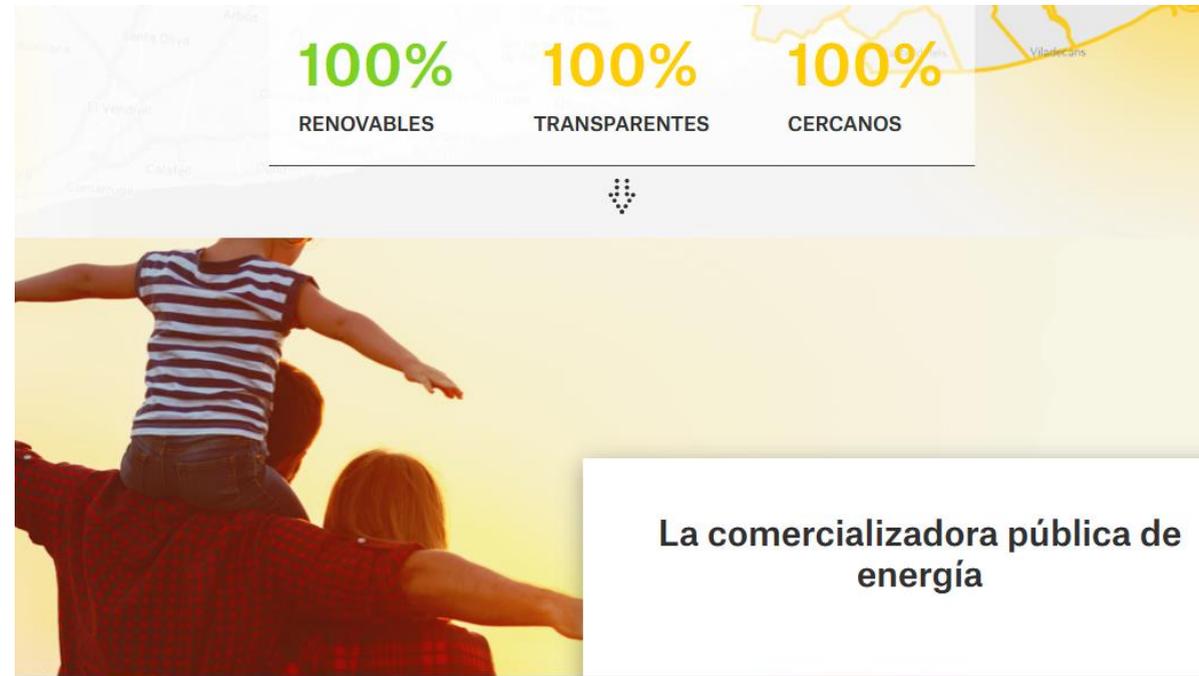
GENERATING MORE THAN RENEWABLE ENERGY

- NEW ECONOMIC PARADIGM
- MORE DEMOCRATIC PRACTICES
- ENERGY POVERTY REDUCTION
- ENERGY EFFICIENCY



THE EXAMPLE OF BARCELONA ENERGÍA

- 100% PUBLIC LOCAL UTILITY
- ASSUMED WISH TO “BREAK AWAY” FROM SPANISH “OLIGOPOLISTIC MODEL”
- ‘COUNCIL OF USERS’ TO ENSURE DEMOCRATIC MANAGEMENT
- LOOKING AT FULL RANGE OF ENERGY SERVICES





POLICY ENABLER

- Qualitative or quantitative ownership to increase # of locally or citizen-owned projects
- Encouraging developers to open capital to citizen participation
- Imposing special requirements on future municipal developments
- Adopting an inclusive approach to the energy and climate transition



PROJECT FACILITATOR

- Dedicated funding instruments (incl. TA for feasibility studies, investment concepts. etc)
- Legal and human resources
- Easier access to municipal property (land, infrastructure and facilities)
- Development of guidance and tools
- Communication and intermediation
- Note: according to the RED II directive, member states should build the capacity of local authorities to continue doing just that



ENERGY CUSTOMER / BUYER

- Buying energy services, not only energy supply
- Example: « Adopt your street lamp » campaign by Pajopower
- Adopting public procurement rules going beyond green criteria to reward the participatory nature of a project



COMMUNITY ENERGY MEMBER

- Local authorities' participation increases legitimacy and trust
- The case of Plymouth Energy Community (UK): founding member of a very unique energy community
- The case of Eeklo (BE): addressing energy poverty through the municipality's shares
- More clarity needed on the possible legal forms of CEC/REC

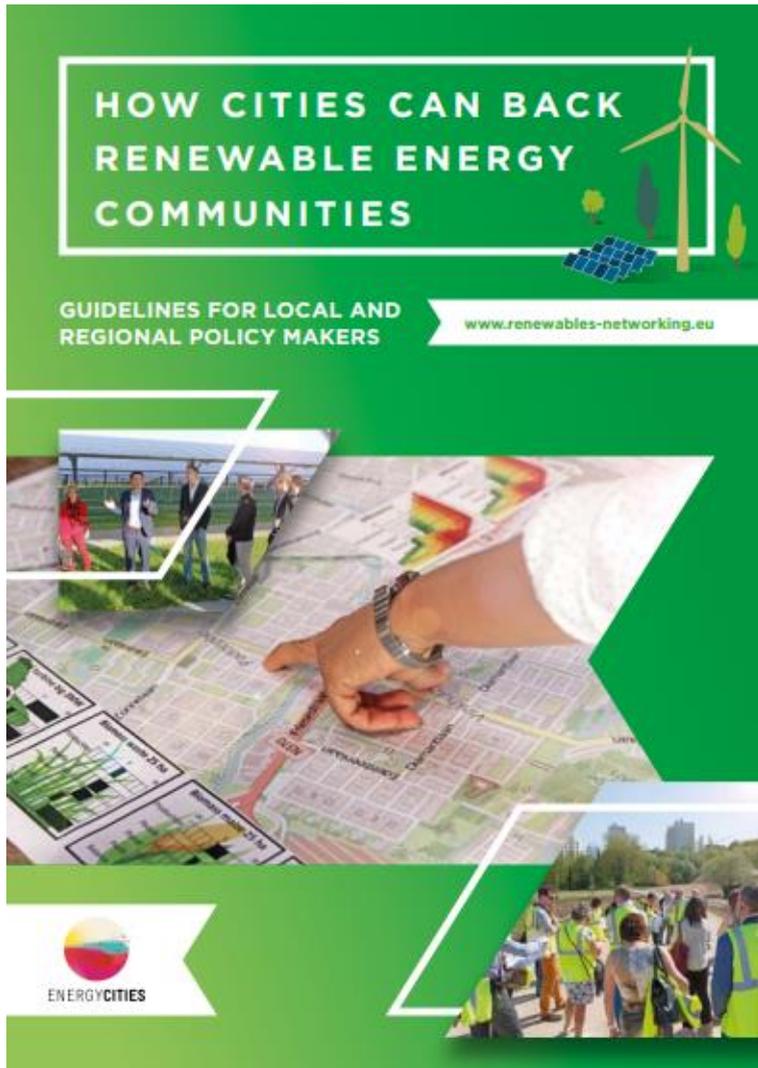


« CIRCULAR ECONOMY » SHOULD
ALSO MEAN CIRCULAR CAPITAL
FLOWS THAT FEED BACK TO THE
LOCAL TRANSITION PROCESS

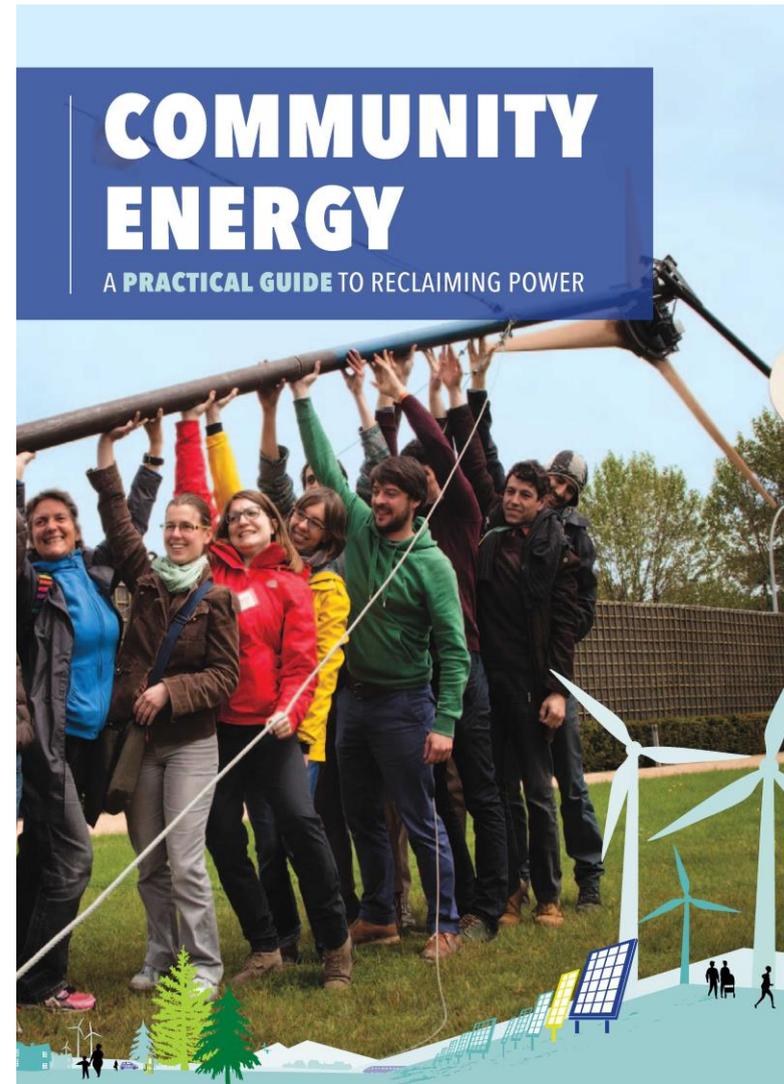
Revolving funds feeding the local transitions in:

- Porto Torres – Italy (below)
- Eeklo – Belgium (right)

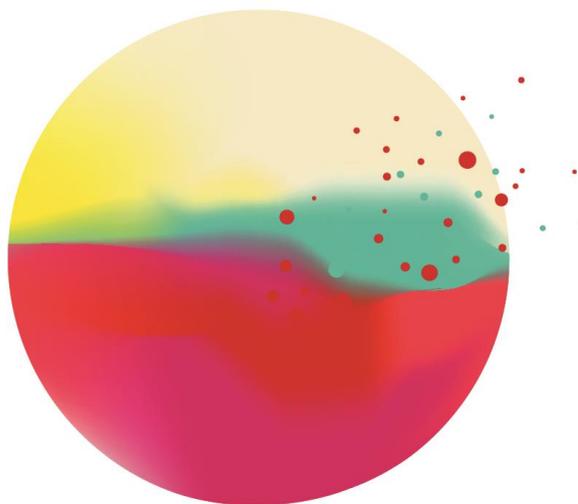




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