

ENERGY TRANSITION

The role of local energy communities
and the models of local energy ownership



CONGREGATE

BULGARIA

Energy communities in Bulgaria, problems and perspectives

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Problems...



LEGISLATION

DIRECTIVE NOT TRANSPOSED

1

DIRECTIVE (EU) 2018/2001 OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND OF THE COUNCIL

2

BULGARIAN RENEWABLE ENERGY SOURCE ACT

‘renewable energy community’ means a legal entity: | (a) | which, in accordance with the applicable national law, is based on open and voluntary participation, is autonomous, and is effectively controlled by shareholders or members that are located in the proximity of the renewable energy projects that are owned and developed by that legal entity; | (b) | the shareholders or members of which are natural persons, SMEs or local authorities, including municipalities; | (c) | the primary purpose of which is to provide environmental, economic or social community benefits for its shareholders or members or for the local areas where it operates, rather than financial profits;



Perspectives...



WHAT'S NEXT?

1

Better national and local regulation

2

Better knowledge

3

Better funding and tax regulation



DECISIONS



OPPORTUNITIES

1

commercial company

2

NGOs and PPPs

3

cooperative

4

**civil society and association of
owners in multifamily buildings**



FIRST STEPS

1

Municipality of Gabrovo works with several multifamily buildings to support them to implement energy efficient measures

2

Public private partnership in Gabrovo to create a CO2 neutrality industrial zone

3

Installation in Burgas for energy through waste incineration and a model for sharing with local businesses

4

Burgas Municipality is working to develop a model for sharing energy from renewable sources between different entities – public and private

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