News on Crowdfunding for Renewable Energy November 2016

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The role of citizens in the energy transition

The Energy Union strategy has put **citizens at the core of the energy transition**aiming to shape a future where citizens benefit from new technologies that will help them reduce energy costs and allow them to actively participate in the market while tackling energy poverty. In anticipation of the upcoming **Winter Package**, questions arise with regard to creating a framework that will enable **citizens to take ownership of this transition and reap the benefits** that it has to deliver. In order to answer these questions one needs to look at the role of citizens in the energy market and the way they interact in it.[READ MORE]

Results



Renewable Energy Crowdfunding Case Studies

This report contains **case studies** from leading renewable energy crowdfunding platforms in Europe providing a detailed view of how the platforms are set up, regulated and operate their business as well as an overview of individual projects that have raised funds on each platform.



Survey of Personal Investment Choices (Report)

Crowdfunding now exists and is growing in the European Union, with 22 Member States having World Wide Web based crowdfunding platforms in 2015 (EC, 2016). CrowdFundRES is examining how crowdfunding platforms can facilitate a growing amount of private direct investment into the European renewables industry.

Events



CrowdFundRES upcoming national Workshops

Conférence nationale sur le financement participatif des centrales solaires

7 December 2016, Marseille, France

Participatie in Windenergie 8 December 2016, Utrecht, The Netherlands

Workshop: Crowdfunding for Renewables and Energy Efficiency 12 January 2017, Brussels, Belgium



Past National Workshops and Events

Mittelständischer Unternehmertag - 3 November 2016, Leipzig, Germany

UK workshop with financial advisers - 2 November 2016, London, UK

CrowdFunding for Wind Projects - 13 September 2016, Paris, France

UN Climate Change Conference (COP22) - 11 November 2016, Marrakesh, Marocco

EV PVSEC 2016 - 23 June 2016, Munich, Germany

News

European associations urge stronger public engagement in alternative financing

Frankfurt/Brussels, 7 October 2016. The largest challenges facing crowdfunding for sustainable energy today are a lack of awareness of the potential it has to offer and a lack of support on the political level.



Social, green, but primarily as an investment: all the features of energy crowdfunding

Platforms to raise funds for renewable projects want to take care of our planet and its inhabitants, but often they're also looking for good returns



Crowdfunding a renewable future

Crowdfunding is a popular way for people to invest. In 2015, an estimated EUR 4.2 billion was raised through crowdfunding platforms in Europe. And, increasingly it is being used to finance the growth of renewable energy







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