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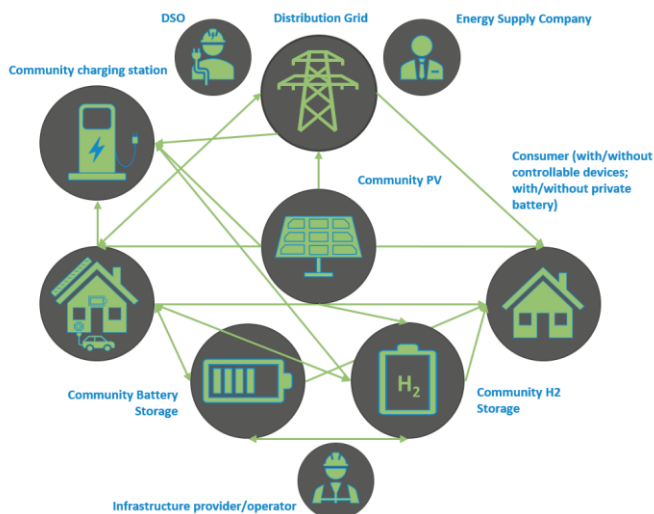


CLUE

Concepts, Planning, Demonstration and Replication of Local User-friendly Energy Communities

“With strong pan-European cooperation among major players in energy ecosystem, CLUE will usher new solutions in Planning and Operation of Local Energy Communities.”

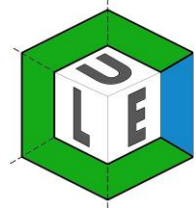
CLUE will acquire knowledge on optimized design, planning and operation of Local Energy Communities (LECs) and will develop a tool kit for planning and operation as key elements for successful replication and upscaling of LECs. Research and development will be executed on technologies with the focus on flexibilities and sector coupling for LEC energy systems, on services by developing business models and recommendations on improved regulatory framework and on stakeholder involvement by partnering with developers and service providers and integrating consumer, prosumer, and organizer of LECs in a living-lab concept. CLUE is executed by leading European research institutes, industry, and local partners, working together in five demo sites in four countries. By implementing and testing different technological and market solutions and executing a cross-country analysis, CLUE is able to develop optimized LEC solutions in dependency on country and site-specific framework conditions.



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Main Objectives

CLUE aims to learn from the range of different challenges, prerequisites, and approaches of examined LECs. It targets determining the potential and impacts of different flexibilities in five demo sites and delivering meaningful proofs-of-concept through the integrated application of advanced tools, their integration into ICT architecture, and the interaction with surrounding electricity systems.

CLUE aims to develop and validate tools supporting the creation and operation of sustainable local energy systems and close the gap of missing tools, considering sector coupling, flexibilities, regional and coordinating cloud functionalities supporting the web-of-cell approach intuitive operation and information services.

Main Results

CLUE has delivered tailor-made transition paths for selected groups of LECs. CLUE targets intense stakeholder interaction in co-creation workshops to identify relevant drivers, success factors, and barriers. Further goals are developing transition paths and creating results on replicability, scalability, and the potential of new business models.

Key technologies:

1. Planning of Local Energy Communities (AT) – TRL 7
2. Renewable Energy Community Control Platform (AT) – TRL 6
3. Artificial Intelligence in Local Energy Communities (AT) – TRL 6
4. Citizen Energy Community Payment system (AT) – TRL 6
5. Flexibility derived from Low-temperature district heating network (DE) - TRL 7
6. Vector Integration Platform (UK) - TRL 6
7. Web-of-Cell approach (UK) – TRL 6
8. Smart Flexibility Solutions (SE) – TRL 7
9. Smart flexibility platform (SE) – TRL 8
10. Aggregator portfolio management (SE) – TRL 8
11. Hydrogen network flexibility and Management (UK) – TRL 6

Analysis and studies:

1. Use cases and business models requirements and mapping
2. Stakeholder assessment and adoption
3. Sector coupling studies (Heating and Electricity)
4. Interactions between local energy communities and surrounding energy system
5. Tools for Local Energy Communities
6. Regulatory framework assessment
7. Analysis of city-wide optimization potential
8. Specification of local cell requirements and communication strategy
9. Validation and Final specification of local energy communities
10. Description of transition paths and replication
11. Usability study

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