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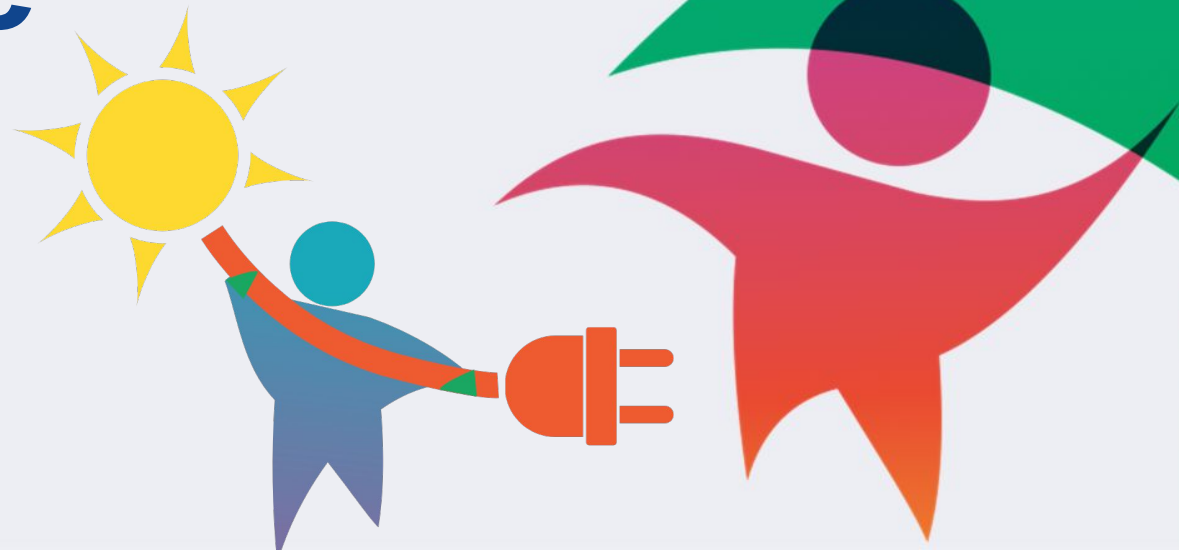
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Webinar

Community visioning for a clean energy future across Europe

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Explore how communities can envision and transition towards desirable energy futures, featuring creative techniques for imagining clean energy scenarios



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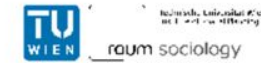
- Introduction - [Jana Pospíšilova Maussen, CEE Bankwatch Network](#)
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 - Women's Stories. Future Visions of Bełchatów (Poland) - [Mateusz Kowalik, Polish Green Network, Belchatow](#)
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SHARED GREEN DEAL

SHARED GREEN DEAL's core goal is to stimulate shared actions on Green Deal initiatives across Europe, by providing Social Sciences and Humanities (SSH) tools to support the implementation of 8 EU Green Deal policy areas, at the local and regional level.







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SHARED GREEN DEAL

- **5-year** EU funded project (2022-2027)
- On **Social Sciences and Humanities** research to support the EU Green Deal
- How can research in areas like *Sociology, Human geography, Psychology* (and more) support **socially innovative practices** for climate change goals?
- Unusually, we cover six sustainability topic areas: **energy, circular economy, renovations, mobility, food, biodiversity**
- We work closely with **local authorities and NGOs/ third sector organisations**, who are at the forefront of delivering on climate change policies
- **Case study guides** will be published in the autumn



Clean Energy

- **Challenges**

Energy accounts for more than 75% of EU GHG in 2021. Decarbonising the EU's energy system is critical to reach the 2030 climate objectives and to achieve climate neutrality by 2050

- **Specific action**

A successful transition to renewables cannot be achieved with a top down approach and must gain support at all levels of society to make the transition just.

Community visioning

Melanie Rohse, Anglia Ruskin University

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- **Community visioning** is an inclusive, collaborative process that enables a group of people to come together to imagine the future of their community
- **What do we mean by ‘community’?**

In your experiments, this refers to a community of place (groups of people brought together by geography) but in the specific context of the project, the group of people you bring together for a visioning workshop constitutes its own community as well.

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Community visioning

Our primary **aim** is to reveal and foster community capacity for planning for their own energy futures.

Goal: to develop and deliver community-based visions and local recommendations to transition towards those visions

Women's Stories. Future Visions of Bełchatów (Poland)

Mateusz Kowalik, Polish Green Network, Belchatow



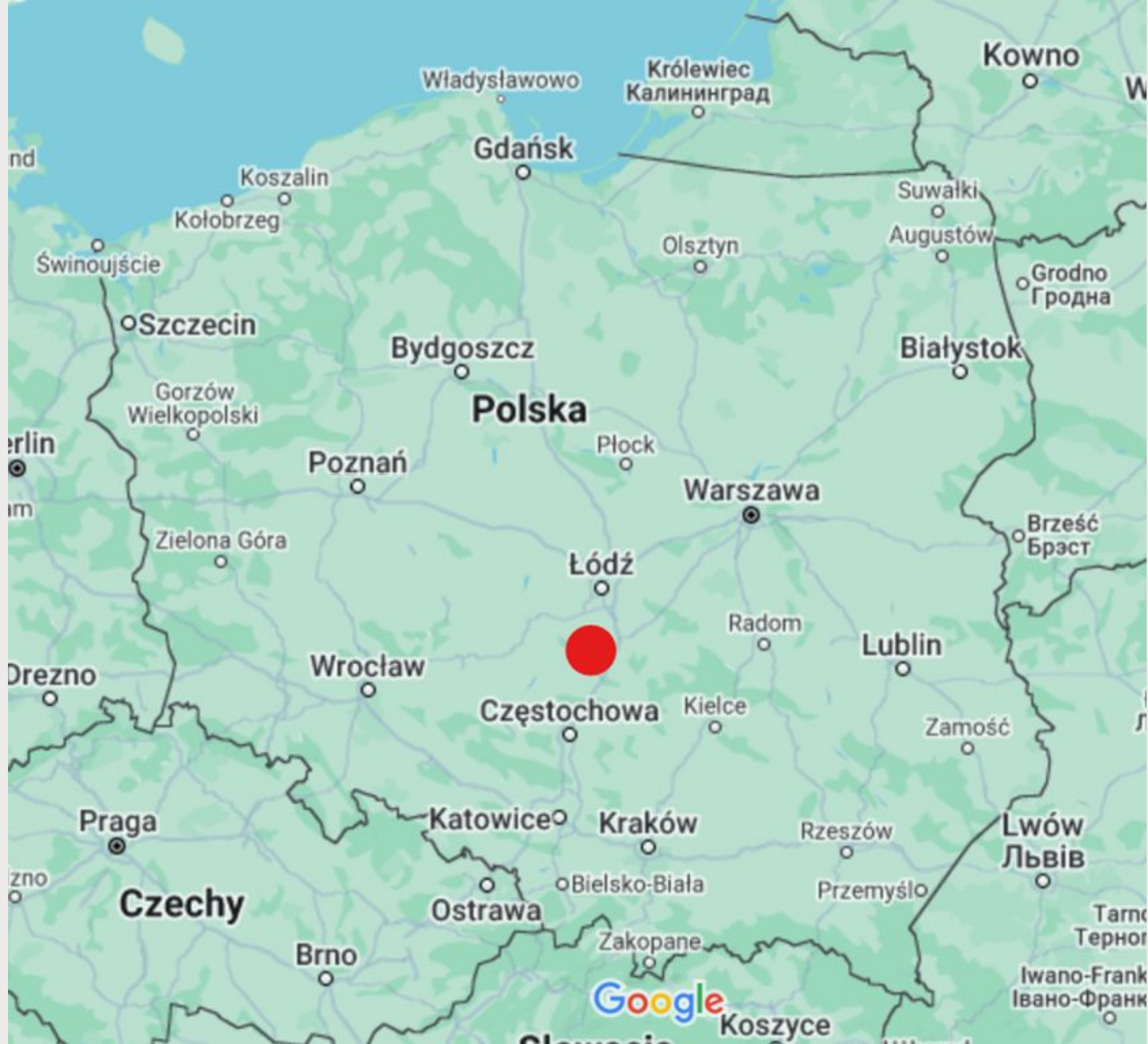




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What we have done:

- Three workshops
- Final meeting
- **Experimental methods**

● Storytelling

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← Remigiusz Makuch



Napisz shorta!
WARSZTATY SCENARIOPISARSKIE

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63 kontakty

Maya M. Lancewicz jest wspólnym kontaktem

Wiadomość W toku

O mnie

Dziennikarzy, radiowców, listonoszów.
Absolwent StoryLab.pro, Polskiej Szkoły Reportażu i
Warszawskiej Szkoły Filmowej.
Scenarzysta, współscenarzysta, kons... zobacz więcej

Aktywność
63 obserwujących

Publikacje Komentarze Zdjęcia

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Warsztaty poprowadzi
Remigiusz Makuch
SCENARZYSTA
KONSULTANT SCENARIUSZOWY

4 polubienia


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W 3 miesiące przejdziesz proces od pomysłu... więcej

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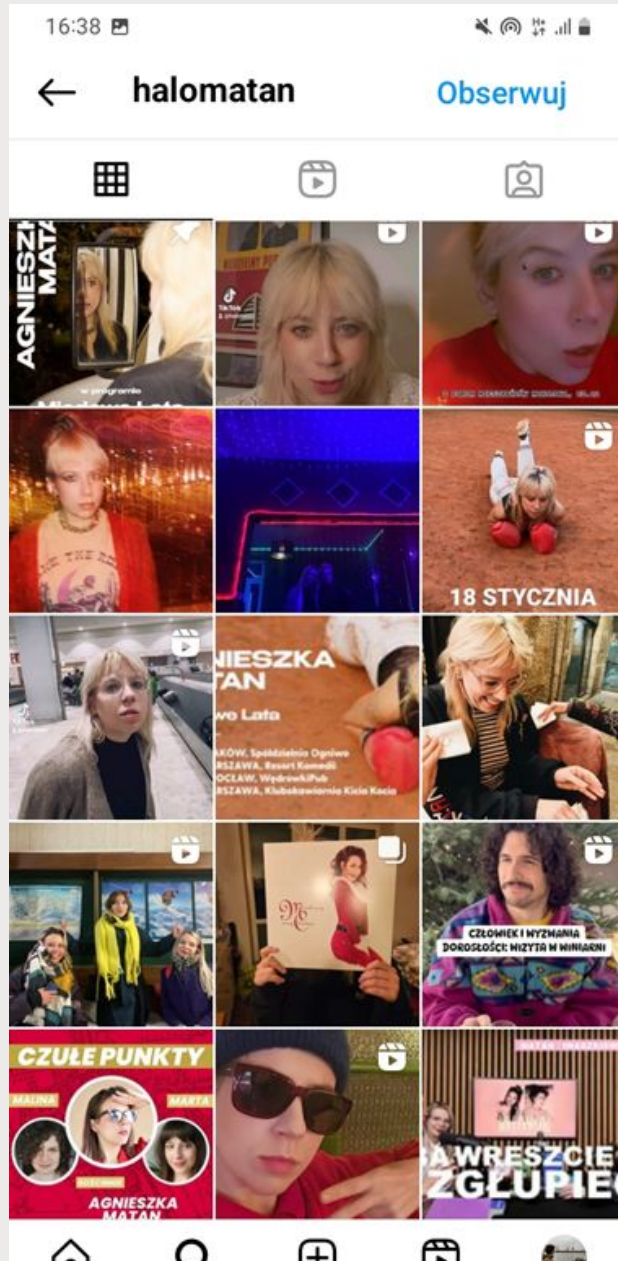
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Grid of promotional images for 'Napisz shorta!' workshops, including:

- Warsztaty poprowadzi
- Co zyskujesz?
- Zapisy:
- Kobiece opowieści. Wizje przez Belchatów
- Hejka!
- ZROBMY SOBIE SHOW

- Improv



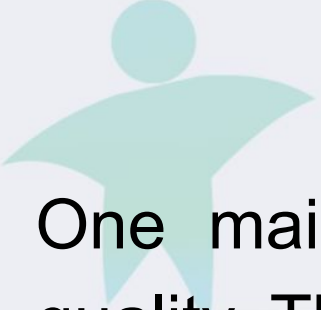


Key takeaways

- Appetite for conversation
- Disinterest in energy transition
- Focus on social aspects
- Mother-the-poisoner
- Inequalities
- Depopulation
- Identity
- Decision making? Somewhere else

Granada: community visions for community energy (Spain)

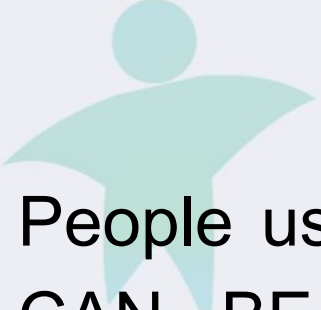
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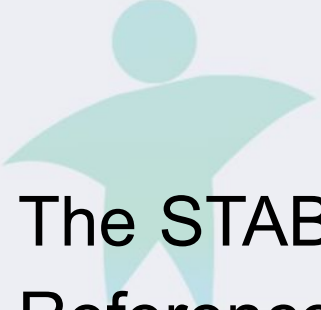
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- One main problems in the Granada Metropolitan area is the air quality. The orography of the city, the large amount of road traffic and the lack of rain mean that Granada and its metropolitan area have high levels of polluting gases, especially NO₂ or nitrogen dioxide.
 - As well, at provincial level, Granada province is one of the EU regions that is going to be most affected by climate change. For example, droughts/"less snow"/"heat waves"/"disease vectors" are, and will be, more and more frequent and intense, but more impacts are well identified both at EU level and locally in the GRANADA ADAPTATION PLAN.

- We promoted 12 different events in 11 different municipalities both in urban and rural areas. In almost all of our events we have companies and public administrations attending, but usually less people representing them than regular citizens. We already have 244 total attendees (only physically), and another 70 online, well over the objective of the pilot.
- With these numbers, the total number of attendees in all Granada events was 244 (physically, and around 70 plus online). Of these 142 were citizens, 43 from companies, and 59 were public workers and politicians. As well, around 50% were male and female.



- We detected some problems to foster renewable energies in urban areas due to URBAN PROTECTION figures, or NATURAL / TOURISTIC PROTECTION figures.
- Speaking about LEGAL ASPECTS, even if the figure of energy community is very interesting and attractive for people, it has still lots of UNCERTAINTY, being PV Autoconsumption the best “well defined” typology of project in our country.
- People generally speaking first wants ECONOMIC SAVINGS, but as well being “UTILITY INDEPENDENT”, or ENERGY POVERTY, or ENVIRONMENT and TACKLE CLIMATE CHANGE.

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- People usually gets CONFUSED WITH WHICH CONCRETE ACTIONS CAN BE TAKEN, as a wide variety of legal, economic, social, environmental issues appear in a wide range of possible solutions.
 - Lots of CONFUSION among terms such as PV SHARED AUTOCONSUMPTION and ENERGY COMMUNITY due to commercial flows and legislation.
 - The SOCIAL REACH of the actions related to energy communities plays an important role on the INVOLVEMENT of MUNICIPALITIES and some citizen groups and companies.

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- A stylized human figure icon in light green, positioned behind the first bullet point. The figure has a circular head and a wide, open-armed body, suggesting a person or a community.
- The **STABILITY** of the project in the **LONG TERM** generates uncertainty. Reference is made to possible technical problems and possible changes in political parties.
 - There are **DOUBTS** about how energy distribution will be done, especially when it is scarce. There is a preconceived idea that the energy they should receive is that which they need to cover the maximum possible of their consumption.
 - **SECURITY, FEASIBILITY, FINANCE, FUTURE MANAGEMENT** are all crucial, and not solved yet in several existing energy communities.

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- Municipalities provide SUPPORT, FACILITATION, and SECURITY to the project, as well can support Energy Communities:
 - *Promotion of activities of dynamization and information*
 - *Facilitation of procedures*
 - *Provision of space for the use of the local energy community (meeting rooms, for courses, or possible events).*
 - *Possible transfer of roofs and/or energy for vulnerable groups.*
 - *Updating of by-laws*
 - *Possible setting up of an energy consumer information office.*
 - *Collaboration with the energy community in other aspects where possible.*
 - We just launched this month the “new” project called OTC ECO GRANADA: <https://otcecogranada.es/> , that will be ongoing until the end of 2025, and will keep on promoting energy communities in our local ongoing programs.

Jaywick's stories of change: improving energy and health futures (United Kingdom)

Louise Tennekoon - Essex County Council



[ECC - Jaywick Sands Energy Workshop Feb 2024 - External Exemplar on Vimeo](#)



Why Jaywick Sands?

- Homes are hard to heat
- High levels of fuel poverty
- Poor health outcomes, high rates of joblessness
- Widespread deprivation & reliance on benefits
- Flood risk: vulnerable to climate change
- Wind farm offshore but no

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Who we worked with

- Essex County Council and Tendring District Council: housing, energy & low carbon, economic growth, levelling up
- Health Services
- Community Groups working on debt, keeping warm, family support
- Companies delivering retrofit and renewables in area
- Community Champions

What we've done

- Four facilitated workshops:
 - Local authorities (12)
 - Private Sector (14)
 - Community (20)
 - All Stakeholders (50)
- Home Energy Visits (11)
- Film



Key takeaways

- Build trust
- Info sharing/awareness-raising/support
- Community-led action
- Working together
- Landlords are key
- Jobs & skills



Shared vision

- More shops, businesses, jobs, income
- Jaywick: a place to visit
- Better homes = better health
- No longer highest level of deprivation
- No longer having to choose to heat or eat

Time for your questions



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SHARED GREEN DEAL Network

SHARED GREEN DEAL will create a **network of individuals and organizations** interested in the use of Social Sciences and Humanities research to support EU Green Deal ambitions.

The network will **run events and disseminate resources over 2025-2029**. This will provide opportunities to **build the capacities of the Network's members** and explore the sustainability and replicability of **socially innovative practices** for meeting climate change goals.



Be involved in the shaping of the network!

Your inputs are essential in ensuring that the network is tailored to support the needs of groups such as **NGOs, municipalities and researchers** (and beyond) effectively



Thank you!

Check more at:

sharedgreendeal.eu/clean-energy