



Green energy cooperative

-Experience from Croatia

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About

- Cooperative based in Zagreb, Croatia
- Founded in 2013 within UNDP's programme on development of energy cooperatives in Croatia
- 30 members-experts in energetics, economic environment protection –
- FOCUS:
 - ◆ RSE & EE projects aimed at strengthening local communities and involving citizens in the energy transition
 - ◆ Innovative business models and financing mechanisms
 - ◆ Green recovery & energy transition advocacy
- RESCoop member
- EIT Climate-KIC, UNDP, Energy Cities partner





Citizens should benefit from locally available resources (such as biomass and solar energy) through their own investments or the actions of local energy communities and cooperatives



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Community for innovation

- **EIT Climate KIC** - European Knowledge and Innovation Network, the largest public-private partnership network with more than 300 organizations
- **Energy cities** - work with the public sector
- **Energy Community Secretariat** - new regulatory frameworks in the WB and SEE countries
- **REScoop.eu** - sharing knowledge and experience for founding energy cooperatives and communities



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Solar power plant on public buildings – crowdfinancing

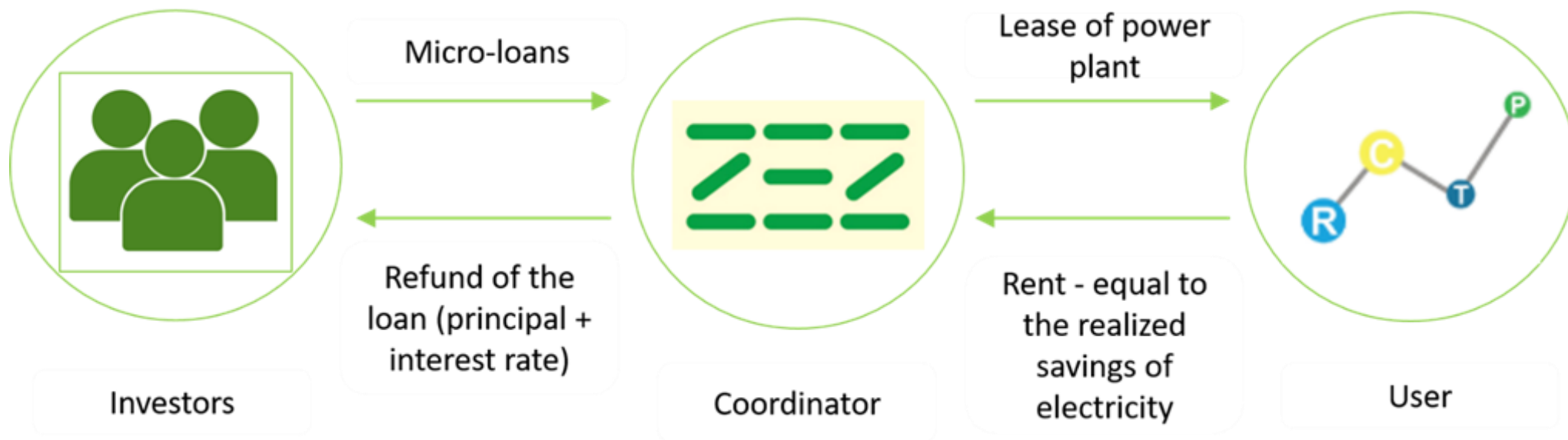
First crowdfinancing project in Croatia: Sunny roofs of Križevci



- PV Plant 39,6 kW (RCTP Križevci)
- 230.000 HRK (around 30.000 EUR)
- 4.5% interest rate for investors (10 years)
- ZEZ in cooperation with the City of Križevci
- 50+ citizen investors, funded in 10 days



Business model





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Development and technology park (39,6 kW)

City Library (33 kW)

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ZniuHoOdnOw&t=94s>



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The Accelerator for cities

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ENERGETSKU TRANZICIJU GRADOVA



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Good energy tour





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Solar power plants for households



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Solar power plant for households



- Cooperation with the **City of Varaždin**
- September 2019: Over 270 households applied for getting the subsidy from City
- 100 developed main technical projects as the first step towards the realization of solar power plants.
- 50 applied for the Fund's tender (whereby City of Varaždin took the first place in the application to the Fund of environment and energy efficiency at the national level in 2019).
- 30 installed solar power plants on households

Solar power plant for households

April 2020: survey for 250+ citizens (owners of family houses) from various parts of Croatia

- 93% need administrative and technical support in the realization of their own power plant,
- 85% expressed a desire for membership in a local energy cooperative,
- 54% stated that they would be additionally motivated by a subsidy from the local self-government for the preparation of project documentation.



1000 solar power plants



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July 2020 - December 2020

SOL4ALL: “Cities and Jobs Regeneration through Community Led Solarization”

Motivation:

- 25,000 people lost their jobs shortly after the start of the pandemic (May),
- Croatia is at the bottom of the EU in terms of the use of solar energy: production from all solar power plants in Croatia currently meets 1% of household consumption,
- dependence on energy imports is high, and there is a huge untapped potential.



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Energy communities



- Workshops for citizens and stakeholders
- Support in establishing the energy communities/cooperative (legal and administrative support)
- Identifying and implementation the project pilot (technical and economic support)
- Established cooperative:
 - KLIK (Croatia)
 - Šabac Solar Roofs (Serbia)
- Working with local communities in Croatia (City Prelog), North Macedonia, B&H

Thank you 😊

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