

Tools and results from the REScoop Plus project (EU-Horizon 2020)

Special session for policy makers and energy stakeholders

The EU-Horizon 2020 'REScoop Plus' project (<http://www.rescoop-ee.eu/rescoop-plus>) is built on the knowledge and network of a previous EU (FP7) project, the 'REScoop 20-20-20' project. An interesting observation made during this project was that members of renewable energy supplying cooperatives (REScoops) change their behaviour toward reducing their final energy consumption, and invest money to produce renewable energy.

The aim of the REScoop PLUS is therefore to get a better understanding and foster this behavioural change. The project seeks to identify and measure best practices, share their knowledge, improve their activities in their citizen's engagement and energy efficiency actions, and disseminate them to other supplying REScoops across Europe.

The objective of REScoop PLUS is to encourage REScoops in Europe to go beyond their traditional activities of producing and supplying energy, and adopt actions to spur energy conservation among their members as a new pillar in their organisation. The challenge is now to go beyond the experimental phase and create a toolkit with a range of best practice products like communication tools, ICT tools for better measurements, new business models, and integrated packages that seek to support energy savings of energy consumers, in particular REScoop members, and reduce the carbon footprint of their members.

This special session is organized to inform policy makers, members of energy cooperatives and other energy stakeholders about the proceedings of the REScoop Plus project, tools developed by the project, project activities and results from its research projects.

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