

ENERGY COMMUNITIES REPOSITORY

TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE GUIDELINES

for applicants

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LIST OF ACRONYMS

ACRONYMS	DESCRIPTION
ECR	Energy Communities Repository
DEGURBA	Degree of Urbanisation
LAU	Local Administrative Unit
RECAH	Rural Energy Communities Advisory Hub
TA	Technical Assistance



1/ Introduction

The Energy Communities Repository is an initiative on behalf of the European Commission to assist local actors (including citizens and civil society organizations, local authorities and businesses) with setting up and advancing clean energy projects driven by energy communities in urban areas. The Repository will do this by providing direct technical support – for instance feasibility studies, financing concepts – as well as administrative advice.

The Energy Communities Repository will further provide an overview of existing national legislations, including enabling and supporting frameworks, for energy communities in the context of the Clean Energy Package, and provide recommendations based on identified best practices.

To showcase existing energy communities and track the development of new communities, the Repository will build a database of energy communities, and carry out an impact assessment of the energy communities mapped. Best practices will provide additional know-how for local authorities, businesses, citizens and citizen organizations that wish to set up energy communities.

In addition to the Energy Communities Repository, the European Commission has launched an initiative to provide dedicated support to rural energy communities: the Rural Energy Communities Advisory Hub. To help you understand which initiative is best suited to support you, please read the explanation under section 3 (Eligibility criteria) carefully.

Please note that it is not possible to receive support from both initiatives, so you are strongly encouraged to apply to the most suitable initiative for technical support. To make sure you are able to receive support even if your needs may be better met by the other initiative, applicants will be explicitly asked for their consent to a transfer of application to the other technical assistance service, if the evaluators think that the community would be better served by the other initiative.

This document explains the technical assistance offer of the Energy Communities Repository and includes advice on how to apply for the technical assistance.

2/ Technical Assistance

2.1 What does the Repository's technical assistance consist of?

Energy communities in the EU find themselves at very different stages in their development; some are informal groups that have just started thinking about the possibility of setting up an energy community, some are already established legal entities that only need a last bit of expert support to get their clean energy project over the finish line.

With this in mind, the Energy Communities Repository will provide different forms of support to at least 150 energy communities overall, taking into consideration the different needs of applicants:



- **Direct technical assistance** to at least 25 energy communities, in which experts provide days of expert support to the community
- **National capacity-building** workshops and webinars held in local language in the following countries: Bulgaria, Greece, Czech Republic, Croatia (extension towards Serbia / Montenegro / Albania / Bosnia & Herzegovina), Hungary, Italy, Latvia, Estonia, Poland, Portugal, Romania, Slovenia, Slovakia, targeting at least 80 communities
- **Twinning and peer-to-peer exchanges** on specific topics and issues faced by energy communities

These activities will be complemented by **EU-wide capacity building webinars**.

2.2 How do I know what type of technical assistance to apply for?

In the application form, you will be asked to assess your energy community’s development stage. Depending on your answers and development stage, a list of support activities will be proposed. The list of activities below outlines the support energy communities can apply for.

Energy communities can choose and rank up to 3 support activities in the application form; the final support package will be finetuned and agreed between the energy community and the Repository and laid out in a Support Agreement document.

Depending on the stage of development of an energy community, the Repository proposes the following technical assistance activities:

STAGE 1	INSPIRATION
Legal status	Set up of legal structure and related administration
Governance	Governance of the energy community and related administration
	Developing a vision
Promotion	Communications / developing a communications plan
	Organising public events, info sessions
Investment	Developing a community investment campaign
	Developing an initial financing concept, a business plan
Technical expertise	Finding inspiring examples of local / national best practice



Identifying local renewable energy opportunities / project prospection

STAGE 2	DEVELOPMENT
Stakeholders	Stakeholder mapping and engagement plan
	Needs and resources mapping
	Getting the support and collaboration of the local authorities and / or other key stakeholders
Governance	Assessing legal and regulatory frameworks and identifying the opportunities and challenges for the project
Promotion	Awareness raising and organising public events
Technical expertise	Identify opportunities for local renewable energy projects / project prospection
	Carrying out energy audits
	Outline feasibility studies for renewable energy projects
	Licensing and grid connection
	Land or roof leasing agreement
	Assistance in design and energy yield assessment for planned renewables
	Consideration of environmental questions around the project
Investment	Establishing an initial financing concept and business plan
	Identifying public and/or private funding and financial support available
	Advice on fiscal issues



	Assessing financial and performance risk
	Drafting/Review of the financial model

STAGE 3	OPERATION
Community Development	Members' recruitment (including engagement of members in decision-making)
	Daily management of the energy community
	Inclusion of vulnerable groups (low income, elderly ...)
	Developing new innovative services for the community
Investment	Advice on financial models
	Advice on business plans
	Mapping and accessing public and/or private funding and financial support available
	Assessing financial and performance risk
Technical expertise	Managing the construction site
	Identifying additional local renewable energy opportunities / project prospection
	Identifying providers of environmental studies
	Monitoring and management of the installation
	Identifying new projects - site selection, preliminary estimation of expected annual production
	Preparing a visual impact assessment



Calculating environmental, social and economic benefits of project(s)

CROSS-CUTTING / SOFT SKILLS	Negotiation skills
	Risk assessment
	Basic accounting
	Project management

2.3 Organisation of the calls for applications / deadlines

The Energy Communities Repository will provide technical assistance to a total of 150 communities through an open call, with several cut-off dates between June and December 2022. One single application form will allow applicants to request technical assistance, capacity building and/or twinning, depending on their needs

The call for applications for technical assistance will be open from 22 June 2022 until 31 December 2022.

- **1st deadline:** 31 August 2022
- **2nd deadline:** 31 October 2022
- **3rd deadline:** 31 December 2022



3/ Application process

The application process is divided into three phases: pre-application, submission, and evaluation. This three-step procedure is designed to limit the work required by applicants when putting the application together while ensuring tailored support adapted to the energy communities' needs.

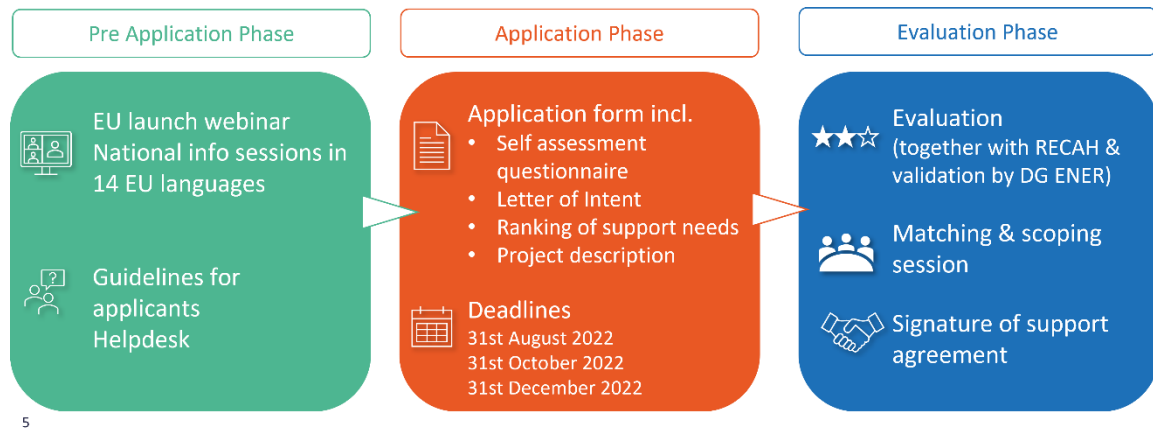


Figure 1: The three-phase application process

Step 1 : Pre-application

- An EU-wide online information session will take place on the 21st of June 2022 at 10:00 CET and the recording will be available online on the [Repository's website](#)
- In addition to the EU-wide session, the Repository will organize together with Country Experts 14 national information sessions in the focus countries.
- The national sessions will be held between end of June 2022 and end of November 2022.
- If you have any questions about the application process, don't hesitate to contact our Helpdesk at info@ec-repository.eu.

Step 2: Application & Submission

The application form is divided into 4 parts and should not take longer than 20 minutes to fill in.

The annotated application form is available in Annex 1.

- 1- Basic information and eligibility check

Basic information on the applicant, the energy community, and some screening questions to understand the governance, the activities and the localization of the community.

One community member will function as the representative of the community and will be responsible for all communication between the applying community and the Repository.



2- Self-assessment questionnaire

Energy communities are first invited to self-assess their stage of development. (Awareness, Development, Operation). The results obtained through the questionnaire are only indicative and do not bind the community to a particular type of technical support. The final support package will be tailored to the community's needs and agreed with the applicant during the step 3.

3- Support menu

Depending on the development stage, a support menu lists the activities that could help the development and upskilling of the energy community. Applicants are proposed a list of options and need to select and rank up to 3 items.

4- Project and energy community description

Some open questions let the applicants explain in more details their project and the support needed.

Required document to support the application:

- a Letter of Intent signed by 3 members of the community.

The template of the Letter of Intent can be found in Annex 2.

Step 3: Evaluation

Eligible applications will be assessed, ranked and grouped following the Eligibility and Assessment Criteria outlined in Section 4 of this document. The evaluation will be conducted after each cut-off date and the applicant will receive feedback no later than 6 weeks after the cut-off date.

Based on the information provided by the applicants, the consortium will pre-select the most suitable Technical Assistance activity for each applicant, and group applicants by needs and country for the Capacity Building Workshops.

The evaluation committee is composed of the Energy Communities Repository and Rural Energy Communities Advisory Hub technical assistance teams, as well as the European Commission's Directorate-General for Energy.

The Repository team reserves the right to transfer the application to the Rural Energy Communities Advisory Hub if the community is a rural community (if the degree of urbanization is 3/rural area, see 4.4) or if the evaluators consider the application more suitable for the other initiative's technical assistance service.

Unsuccessful applications

The Repository will inform unsuccessful applicants and follow up with them to provide feedback. Unsuccessful applications from eligible organizations will be encouraged to resubmit an application in the next round and/or will be invited to EU capacity building events.



4/ Eligibility criteria

This section outlines the eligibility criteria for the application to the Energy Communities Repository technical assistance activities.

4.1 Organisational / legal form of the community

The applying community must fall into one of three categories: a legal entity, an informal community of actors, or a collective of actors.

4.2 Governance structure

For legal entities, the structure fits under the existing EU definitions for energy communities (i.e. Citizens Energy Community (CEC) or a Renewable Energy Community (REC)), based on participation structure, governance / actors in control, and primary purpose:

Citizen Energy Community	Renewable Energy Community
<p>a legal entity which is based on voluntary and open participation, effectively controlled by shareholders or members who are natural persons, local authorities, including municipalities, or small enterprises and microenterprises. (open to all type of entities, including but not limited to public companies and associations that do not qualify as SMEs however that large energy undertakings cannot have any decision-making power)</p> <p>The primary purpose of a citizens energy community is to provide environmental, economic or social community benefits for its members or the local areas where it operates rather than financial profits.</p> <p>A citizens energy community can be engaged in electricity generation, distribution and supply, consumption, aggregation, storage or energy efficiency services, generation of renewable electricity, charging services for electric vehicles or provide other energy services to its shareholders or members.</p>	<p>a legal entity which, in accordance with the applicable national law, is based on open and voluntary participation, autonomous, effectively controlled by shareholders or members that are located in the proximity of the renewable energy projects that are owned and developed by that legal entity;</p> <p>the shareholders or members of which are natural persons, SMEs or local authorities, including municipalities;</p> <p>The primary purpose of a REC is to provide environmental, economic or social community benefits for its shareholders or members or for the local areas where it operates, rather than financial profits.</p> <p>RECs can cover a range of activities referring to all forms of renewable energy in the electricity and heating sectors, and are entitled to produce, consume, store, and sell renewable energy, including through renewables power purchase agreements, to share renewable energy within the community, and to access all suitable markets</p>



4.3 Eligibility of members

The Repository will provide direct technical assistance to non-rural energy communities in all EU-27 Member States, as well as Albania, Bosnia-Herzegovina, Montenegro and Serbia.

To provide intensified support in countries where historically there has been less activity on the topic of energy communities, the Repository will, together with national experts, organize capacity-building workshops to support the start-up of energy communities in the following countries (so-called “Focus Countries”) :

Bulgaria, Croatia, Czech Republic, Estonia, Greece, Hungary, Italy, Latvia, Poland, Portugal, Romania, Slovakia, Slovenia and Albania, Bosnia & Herzegovina, Montenegro, Serbia.

4.4 Urban and rural communities

As mentioned earlier, energy communities will be able to receive support from two initiatives: the Energy Communities Repository, and the Rural Energy Communities Advisory Hub.

Both initiatives use the Degree of Urbanisation ([DEGURBA](#)) to classify the community as rural/non-rural, and hence decide which of the two initiatives will be best placed to support the energy community. DEGURBA classifies Local Administrative Units ([LAU](#)) into three types of areas:

1. Cities (densely populated areas)
2. Towns and suburbs (intermediate density areas)
3. Rural areas (thinly populated areas)

If the majority of an energy community’s activities or project(s) are located in a LAU classified as a city, town or suburb under the DEGURBA classification, the energy community will be supported by the Energy Communities Repository. If the majority of an energy community’s activities or project(s) are located in a LAU classified as a rural area, the energy community will be supported by the Rural Energy Communities Advisory Hub.

4.5 Commitment of members

Individual members of the community must show commitment to the community, its project(s), and its longevity, demonstrated by a letter of intent signed by at least 3 members of the community, showing their dedication and interest.



5/ Delivery of Technical Assistance

5.1 Direct Technical Assistance

Scoping Session

If your application is successful, you will be invited to an online scoping session with the Repository team (whenever the relevant language is spoken by the team) and the Country Expert to elaborate on the application and to define the activities and support needed to move on to the next step of your community's development. The workplan will be designed and the key outputs decided in this meeting (e.g. reports, data collected, communication plan drafted, business plan drafted, ...). These elements will form part of the support agreement signed between the Repository team and your community.

Duration

The estimated duration of the technical support can range from 3 months to 9 months. The final number of hours and type of resources needed will be discussed during the scoping session. The technical assistance will be provided according to the work plan established and in line with the expected outcomes.

5.2 Capacity Building workshops

Capacity building workshops will be organised in the Focus Countries (see section 3.3). Applicants will be grouped by needs and language. The workshops are conceived as 1-day in-person meetings.

These workshops will have the following objectives but will be adapted to communities' needs:

- Get in touch with other communities who have common interests and challenges
- Learn from communities who have already developed local energy projects
- Learn about technologies, business models, community management ...
- Learn from energy experts
- Confront ideas and exchange with peers on common issues

5.3 Twinnings

Successful applicants will be matched with experienced energy communities and/or national experts based on the applicants' needs and wherever possible, by language. Learning and sharing experiences peer to peer is often the most effective way to overcome obstacles and develop new projects. The twinings will be organised online in 3 sessions per match.

5.4 Monitoring and impact assessment of the technical assistance activities.

As part of the technical assistance activities, beneficiaries will be asked to complete an impact assessment questionnaire to assess the impact of the assistance provided, define the next actions needed to move to the next development stage of the community, define the expected timeframe of these actions and the resources needed.



6/ Evaluation procedure

6.1 Procedure

Each application will be evaluated by at least two experts from the Energy Communities Repository team. The evaluators will verify whether the application complies with the eligibility criteria and whether a Letter of Intent has been submitted. Failure to comply with the requirements will lead to the rejection of the application. In a second step, applications will be assessed based on the evaluation criteria outlined in the table below.

The final selection will be made by the evaluation committee. The evaluation committee is composed of the Energy Communities Repository and Rural Energy Communities Advisory Hub technical assistance teams, as well as the European Commission’s Directorate-General for Energy

In addition to the qualitative assessment of the projects, both the geographical distribution and stage of development of the projects (Inspiration, Development, Operation) will be taken into account to ensure a diverse distribution of accepted projects.

6.2 Assessment criteria

The table below lists the criteria used to evaluate the applications. For each criterion a point system is proposed.

Assessment criteria		Proposed scoring
1. Type of actors	The community comprises a diverse collective of eligible members (e.g. individuals, micro, small, and medium enterprises, local authorities, and large enterprises for CECs) all with a vested interest in the project and its outcome(s).	0 - 1 type of members 1 - 2 types of members 2 - 3 types of members or more
2. Level of maturity	The level of maturity of the community is clearly presented (e.g. <i>inspiration, development, operation</i>), as well as how the assistance would help the community develop further.	0 - not clear how the assistance will help the community develop further 1 - somewhat clear how the assistance will help the community develop further 2 - very clear how the assistance will help the community develop further



<p>3. Level of future sustainability</p>	<p>The community has a long term vision and is able to demonstrate that assistance would be beneficial for the sustainability of the community (e.g. longevity of the community).</p>	<p>0 – no long term vision 1 – initial long term vision 2 – clear long term vision</p>
<p>4. Need of assistance</p>	<p>The community clearly explains why it needs external technical assistance, and within which timeframe.</p>	<p>0 - Not clearly explained 1 - Clearly explained 2 - Very clearly explained</p>
<p>5. Type of assistance</p>	<p>The community clearly explains what type(s) of assistance it is requesting to resolve the identified need(s).</p>	<p>0 - Not clearly explained 1 - Clearly explained 2 - Very clearly explained</p>
<p>6. Impact of the assistance</p>	<p>The community clearly explains how it envisions the requested assistance will help meet the identified need(s) of the community (e.g. specific results & outcomes)</p>	<p>0 - Not clearly explained 1 - Clearly explained 2 - Very clearly explained</p>
<p>7. Energy poverty</p>	<p>The community could serve as an example of a community that inspires socially inclusive energy transition activities.</p>	<p>0 – No socially inclusive activities 1 – Some socially inclusive activities 2 – Many socially inclusive activities</p>
<p>8. Commitment of human resources</p>	<p>The community demonstrates a strong commitment and adequate capacity to collaborate and engage in technical assistance.</p>	<p>0 – low commitment and capacity 1 – little commitment and capacity 2 – high commitment and capacity</p>
<p>9. Focus countries</p>	<p>The community is based in one of the Focus countries : Bulgaria, Croatia, Czech Republic, Estonia, Greece, Hungary, Italy, Latvia, Poland, Portugal, Romania, Slovakia, Slovenia and Albania, Bosnia & Herzegovina, Montenegro, Serbia</p>	<p>5 bonus points</p>
<p>10. Support from national/EU scheme or incentive</p>	<p>The community is not currently supported by any regional/national/ EU scheme.</p>	<p>0 – currently supported by an EU/national/regional scheme and no clear added value of the ECR TA 1 - currently supported by an EU/national/regional scheme but clear added value of the ECR TA 2 – not currently supported by any EU/national/regional scheme</p>



7/ Contact

For questions on the application form and/or process, you can contact the Repository at info@ec-repository.eu.

English will be the language used for communications with the Energy Communities Repository. Questions written in other EU languages are also accepted but for many languages automatic translation will be used. The Energy Communities Repository will not be responsible for issues or misunderstandings arising from the quality of the translation.

8/ GDPR

Please note that the information included in the application for technical assistance will be considered sensitive and confidential. Personal data will be processed pursuant to existing law applicable to data protection in the European Union.

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Annex 1 : Annotated application form

PART 1	
What is the name of your energy community?	
When was your energy community established?	It can be indicative if the community is not yet a legal entity.
What are the main activity/activities of your energy community?	Multiple choice question : (self-consumption, electricity generation, energy efficiency, energy sharing, e-mobility, supply, aggregation, public grid, community network/local energy system, district heating & cooling). If the community has not yet started its activities, please choose the planned/future activities.
If applicable, what is the energy technology (or multiple technologies) the energy community focuses on?	Drop down menu with technologies. For biogas, please note that the ECR reserves the right to transfer the application to the RECAH
Where is your energy community based (e.g. registration of legal entity if applicable)?	This information will be used to determine if the energy community is located in an area classified as 'cities, town and suburbs' under the "Degree of Urbanisation" classification.
If different from the legal address, where are the majority of your activities located?	Note that the applying energy community and/or its main activities has to be located in area classified as 'cities, towns and suburbs ' under the Degree of Urbanisation classification in order to be eligible for the provision of technical assistance by the Energy Communities Repository
What is the legal status of your energy community?	
Who can become a member of your energy community?	In order to be eligible for the provision of technical assistance, the applicant has to be an energy community as defined by the EU in the Recast Renewable Energy Directive or the Recast Internal Electricity Market Directive. These directives define two types of energy communities: Renewable Energy Communities and Citizen Energy Communities. The two forms of energy communities differ on various points and the following questions will help to establish if and what type of energy community the applicant is.
What types of members are currently represented in your energy community?	
Who has voting rights in your energy community?	
Who are the board members in your energy community?	



What is your voting system?	
Who will be the primary contact person for this application and the technical support services if granted?	The primary contact person will act as representative of the community for the application and technical assistance support. The representative must be available and entitled to work in collaboration with the supporting expert(s) in case of successful application. The applicant is asked to provide the name of the representative, the role within energy community, and contact information.
Indicate the languages in which you would be fluent enough to have a training course –	Please note that this is for our information only, and there is no language prerequisite. It will help the selection of experts.
Please provide a Letter of Intent signed by three to five community members to show the commitment of the community.	A template of Letter of Intent is available in Annex 2 and can be downloaded on this link. If possible, please have different type of stakeholders expressing their support to your application.
To ensure adequate administrative, technical, and political support for this application, I confirm that I am authorised by the other members of the energy community to submit this application	Yes/No

PART 2 : Self-Assessment

To determine the support activities we could offer, the questionnaire below will help you to self assess the development stage of your community. This is a series of Yes/No questions.

If you answer at least one no to the first 5 questions you won't see the other questions and will be directed to support menu "Inspiration" in the Part 3 of the application form.

Question	Description
Does your energy community have members (documented in a list of any form)?	By members, we mean registered members (not persons who are interested in joining the energy community, but those who already signed up)
Do you have a defined governance model ?	



Do you have active external communication channels ?	Do you regularly use external communications channels (i.e. e-mails, social media) to contact members and possible future members?
Do you have a vision document?	The vision document outlines your ambitions for the future of your community, as well as your key objective(s) to achieve these
Do you have a business plan ?	A business plan describes the types of services you will provide, your service offer, a preliminary financial plan and an analysis of the market that you are planning on engaging in.
Do you have a legal form ?	This refers to the registration of your legal entity with the notary, as well as the establishment of a founding capital.
Do you have the support of your local authority?	Support can take different forms: regular meetings with the local authority, a collaboration agreement, the local authority provides meeting rooms for the energy community meetings, the local authority is a member of the energy community...
Have you done a preliminary mapping of the stakeholders in your territory ?	Have you identified the different persons, groups, organizations that make up your immediate and wider community; do you have an understanding of their position towards your community energy project?
Have you analysed the needs and the resources of the community you are planning to serve ?	This includes what kinds of changes and activities are important for your community, but also what skills and how many hours your group brings to the table.
Have you already organised a public event on behalf of your energy community?	
Does your energy community have capital and/or fixed assets ?	
Do you have a risk analysis document (risk registry) for your activities?	A risk registry outlines the operational and organisational risks of your community's activities, ranks them, and suggests mitigation actions.
Have you acquired the necessary licences and/or permits to deliver a service to your members?	
Have you started the operation of your service ?	i.e. have you started to build the wind turbine, provided a supply contract, provided flexibility aggregation services etc.
Do you have paid staff members ?	
Do you have an organigramme?	i.e. do you have clear descriptions of roles and responsibilities of your staff and team



Have you reached your break-even point ?	The break-even point is the expected point in time in your financial plan where your operational revenues are exceeding your operational costs
Do you have a feedback mechanisms for your members?	I.e. some communities organise energy cafés are used to gather feedback of members on sepecific activities or strategic orientations that were taken by the operational team
Do you have multiple services ?	I.e. do you produce electricity AND operate an electric car fleet
Have you performed educational activities beyond your energy community?	This applies for instance if your energy community is focused in one town/part of town, and has organised trainings to stakeholders in a different town or part of town.

PART 3 : Support Menu

For each development stage, a support menu (tick boxes) will be proposed. Only one support menu is shown and the applicant can choose and rank up to 3 activities.

STAGE 1	INSPIRATION
Legal status	Set up of legal structure and related administration
	Governance of the energy community and related administration
Governance	Developing a vision
	Communications / developing a communications plan
Promotion	Organising public events, info sessions
	Developing a community investment campaign
Investment	Developing an initial financing concept, a business plan
	Finding inspiring examples of local / national best practice
Technical expertise	Identify opportunities for local renewable energy projects / project prospection



STAGE 2	DEVELOPMENT
Stakeholders	Stakeholder mapping and engagement plan
	Needs and resources mapping
	Getting the support and collaboration of the local authorities and / or other key stakeholders
Governance	Assessing legal and regulatory frameworks and identifying the opportunities and challenges for the project
Promotion	Awareness raising and organising public events
Technical expertise	Licensing and grid connection / Land-roof leasing agreement
	Identify opportunities for local renewable energy projects
	Outline feasibility studies for renewable energy projects
	Assistance in design and energy yield assessment for planned renewables
	Consideration of environmental questions around the project
Investment	Establishing an initial financing concept and business plan
	Identifying public and/or private funding and financial support available
	Assessing financial and performance risk
	Advice on fiscal issues
	Drafting/Review of the financial model



STAGE 3	OPERATION
Community Development	Members' recruitment
	Daily management of the energy community
	Inclusion of vulnerable groups (low income, elderly ...)
	Developing new innovative services for the community
Investment	Advice on financial models
	Advice on business plans
	Advice on fiscal issues
	Mapping and accessing public and/or private funding and financial support available
	Assessing financial and performance risk
Technical expertise	Managing the construction site
	Identifying additional local renewable energy opportunities / project prospection
	Identifying providers of environmental studies
	Monitoring and management of the installation
	Identifying new projects - site selection, preliminary estimation of expected annual production
	Preparing a visual impact assessment
	Calculating environmental, social and economic benefits of project(s)



CROSS-CUTTING / SOFT SKILLS	Negotiation skills
	Risk assessment
	Basic accounting
	Project management

PART 4 : Project details	Comment
1. Which activity or project would you like support for? Please describe the proposed project.	Describe the most important aspects of the project/activity, explain why the community needs technical support for this specific project/activity.
2. What are the barriers and challenges your project or energy community currently face?	Explain why the energy community needs technical support by describing its challenges, bottlenecks, etc.
3. Is this project or your energy community already receiving support via any local, national or EU support scheme (technical or financial support) If yes, what would be the additional support needed that is not already covered by the other support scheme?	If you answered yes to the previous question, please explain, what is the additional support needed that is not provided by the local/national/EU scheme and if/how the assistance could be complementary to the support
4. Is the project addressing fuel poverty or assisting vulnerable groups? If yes, please describe how	Alleviating energy poverty being a EU priority, activities addressing vulnerable groups will receive bonus points as part of the evaluation.
5. What are the expected impacts of the energy community activity to be supported? Describe the results you would be expecting	Explain how the requested technical assistance would support the development of the community and what impact it could have.



Annex 2 : Letter of Intent

Letter of Intent

We, the undersigned, confirm our commitment to collaborate with the Energy Communities Repository in order to receive technical assistance for our energy community. To this end, we will ensure fluid communication with the Repository’s technical team, and provide the data and information required to carry out the technical assistance in a timely manner.

Made in _____ on _____ .
(place) (date)

(Name, role in the energy community & signature)

(Name, role in the energy community & signature)

(Name, role in the energy community & signature)