

# Financing Local Energy Transition

## Final Conference of EUKI-project ALLIES

**Date: 26<sup>th</sup> May 2020**

The European Green Deal calls for new means to build energy efficient and low carbon economies. Funded by the German Government's European Climate Initiative (EUKI), the ALLIES project offers precisely such means. It develops and implements the concept of Locally-rooted Financing Entities for Energy Efficiency (LFEEE), i.e. cooperative institutions to foster and finance energy efficiency measures in companies, private premises and municipalities. By doing so, LFEEEs function as a kind of Citizen Energy Community (CEC) as envisaged in the latest EC energy market directive. At the end of the ALLIES project, partners from Hungary, Poland and Germany seek to inspire followers in other countries to take on the concept of LFEEEs and adapt it to their needs.

Against this background, B.A.U.M. e.V., INEM (the International Network for Environmental Management) and the national project partners - FEWE in Poland, KÖVET Association in Hungary, B.A.U.M Consult GmbH in Germany - cordially invite you to the

### **ALLIES Virtual and Interactive Final Conference on 26<sup>th</sup> May**

This interactive event will combine presentations with various thematic focuses, online panels with experts and parallel interactive capacity building workshops. We will use a virtual conferencing tool in combination with state-of-the-art visualisation. Please [register here](#) before 22.05.2020 to receive the connection details.

### **The two main objectives of the conference are:**

1. To present the findings and results of ALLIES and discuss them with potential followers. We will hold special focus sessions for LFEEEs *in the Balkan, Baltic and Mediterranean countries*.
2. To embed ALLIES in supranational structures such as the EUKI or EC programs.

### **We invite everyone interested in the ALLIES results and keen to apply them in their local context:**

- Policy makers
- National and international NGOs
- Representatives of SMEs
- Representatives of municipalities and local energy utilities
- Energy agencies and regional development centres
- Representatives of funding programmes

### **You participate in the virtual and interactive final conference to**

- discuss interactively how ALLIES' results relate to the development of local energy communities as defined by the European Commission
- learn how to found cooperative institutions to foster and finance energy efficiency
- enrich your network and become part of the European wide „ALLIES community“

**For any questions, please contact Katinka Györki-Vincze ([gyorki@kovet.hu](mailto:gyorki@kovet.hu)).**

# Agenda - Virtual and Interactive Final Conference

Time	Agenda point	Actor & audience
09:00-9:20	<i>Welcome by the project coordinator &amp; introduction to ALLIES</i>	Rainer Kant, B.A.U.M. e.V. Ludwig Karg, B.A.U.M. Consult GmbH
9:20-10:15	<i>ALLIES in the frame of European developments on local energy transition – Focus: Citizen Energy Communities</i>	<i>Virtual panel discussion</i> and Q&A with audience: Ludwig Karg, B.A.U.M. Consult GmbH (moderator) Hungarian under-secretary of the Ministry for Innovation and Technology (tbc) Representative EC DG Energy (tbc) Dirk Vansintjan, REScoop Covenant of mayors (tbc) European Investment Bank, Reinhard Six (tbc) Darko Jardas, Federane (tbc)
10:15 -10:30	<i>ALLIES in the EUKI community: Synergies among EUKI projects and ALLIES– Focus: Financing energy transition in cities and rural areas</i>	Stefan Bundscherer, Project Finance Programme EUKI
<b>10:30-10:45</b>	<b>Coffee break</b>	
10:45-11:45	<i>The ALLIES concept: Learnings and prospects (White Book, Tools and Guidelines) with experiences from Hungary, Poland and Germany</i>	Presentations and Q&A with audience: Rainer Kant, B.A.U.M. e.V. Tamás Trenyik, KÖVET Szymon Liszka, FEWE Ludwig Karg B.A.U.M. Consult GmbH
11:45-12:00	<i>Introduction to subsequent virtual breakout sessions</i>	
<b>12:00-13:00</b>	<b>Lunch break</b>	
13:00-14:00	<i>Validation and outlook of ALLIES approach in</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Balkan countries</b></li> <li>• <b>Baltic countries</b></li> <li>• <b>Mediterranean countries</b></li> </ul>	<i>Parallel interactive working groups:</i> <u>Balkan countries</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• moderator: Todor Galev, Center for the Study of Democracy (tbc) &amp; Philip Mathies, B.A.U.M. e.V.</li> <li>• Vjeran Pirsic, IKRE - Croatia (tbc)</li> </ul> <u>Baltic countries</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• moderator: Szymon Liszka, FEWE &amp; tbc, B.A.U.M. Consults</li> <li>• Matthias Grätz, Baltic Environmental Forum (BEF),</li> <li>• FinEERGoDom H2020 (tbc)</li> </ul> <u>Mediterranean countries</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• moderator: Katalin Herner KÖVET &amp; Anna Stetter B.A.U.M. Consult</li> <li>• Vincenzo Bianco, Ren-on-Bill H2020, University of Genova (tbc)</li> <li>• Labros Bouklis, INEM - Greece (tbc)</li> </ul>
14:00-14:30	Recap of the working group results in the virtual plenary	Ludwig Karg, Consult GmbH
14:30-17:00	Virtual market place: Discussion among participants on voluntary base	tba