



# Sustainable Energy Youth Network SEYN

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# Young People in Europe...Young People and Energy

- (Un) employment
- Social collapse
- Economic failure
- Climate change
- Political betrayal



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## Community resistance and resistance to communities in UK



The need to reform energy systems. The need to reform everything...



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## Intergenerational working to address our collective struggles



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# Economic crisis for youth today

*Young people strongly emphasized their role in dealing with the future challenges and SEYN aims to help them to claim their rightful place*

- exclusion from decision that affect them
- lack of democratic participation
- lack of involvement of young people in res issues hinders the successful development of res projects
- economic hardship
- lack of quality education and training in green jobs
- not enough of sharing of knowledge and information on opportunities for green entrepreneurship
- environmental destruction



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# Breaking free..from dirty power!

- harvesting clean from energy renewable sources can hold money in the local economy
- create employment in the area
- give young people a voice in energy and environmental events
- allow them to acquire the skills they will need to make a sustainable future for themselves



# SEYN - Sustainable Energy Youth Network

- set forth by previous attendees at last year's Youth Foundation Congress in Berlin in October 2013
- recognized the importance of involving youth in dealing with the future European energy crisis recognized.
- conceived as a European energy network between Croatia, Greece and Scotland
- main question of what can be sufficed to achieve measurable success in young people's power to lead to clean energy.
- members through mutual cooperation and exchange of knowledge work on establishing a Sustainable Energy Youth Network (SEYN)



# SEYN\_Project development

- Phase 1 was consisted of setting up a structure to encourage networking and participation of youth by providing space to develop skills in starting their own energy initiatives.
- Phase 2 shows how to enhance young peoples' participation, work and employment in the green sector with innovative approaches and educational activity



# The goal of the SEYN\_WWW

- to show members how to enhance their participation in the energy sector by providing space to develop skills in starting their own energy initiatives.

## WHAT

- which can be done through a better understanding of energy laws and policies of their country and from hearing other country experience in energy laws and policies.

## HOW

- network will be used as a model for youth empowerment in the energy sector and opportunity for youth to engage in green entrepreneurship through energy cooperatives.

## WHERE

# Change: giving young people the chance to unlock their potential



- SEYN has a potential for solving the problem of insufficient youth involvement in energy issues through active participation, conscious action and relevant education about energy
- Exchanging knowledge and finding new cooperation
- Inspiring and connecting with other practitioners from different sectors who are working with environment, renewable energy and social economy
- Exploring and challenging new democratic and energy alternates



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# THANK YOU!



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