

Press Release:

Launch of EU-Funded INTELLIGENT Project to Advance Open Source Local Energy Trading & Sharing Technology

February 5th, 2025 (online) – A new Horizon Europe project, **INTELLIGENT**, brings together fifteen partners from nine European countries to address the technological challenges of local energy and flexibility trading and sharing.

The three-year project, whose full title is **In**teroperable **T**ools for **Ne**twork-Aware, **L**edger-Based **L**ocal Energy Sharing and Flexibility Mana**ge**ment Leveraging User Engageme**nt**, aims to advance peer-to-peer (P2P) energy trading technology, making it more accessible, secure and efficient. Its end goal is to bring economic and environmental benefits for citizens, while supporting grid operators to better address grid stability and congestion.

Currently, grid operators lack the tools to manage distributed energy resources effectively, and citizens are not equipped to actively participate in energy markets. The INTELLIGENT project will provide advanced, open source P2P technology and demonstrate its advantages to encourage EU member states to enable more advanced local energy sharing and trading mechanisms. Currently, only limited community trading schemes are allowed and communities tend to be overly dependent on their asset installers. INTELLIGENT's comprehensive P2P trading infrastructure includes interoperable decentralised energy exchange components, secure data exchange and optimised trading and flexibility management for citizens, other local stakeholders and grid operators. The project leverages and extends the capabilities of the GSY DEX, Grid Singularity's open-source P2P exchange software, which employs blockchain technology to enable grid-aware, secure and automated exchange while fully accounting for network constraints.

The solutions developed within the INTELLIGENT project will be tested in four pilot locations: CELL – Collaborative Energy Living Lab (Switzerland), LIC – Lugaggia Innovation Community (Switzerland), Bicesse Kindergarten and Feirense Football Stadium (Portugal) and the Aran Islands energy community (Ireland).

The project consortium is made up of diverse partner organisations, including leading R&D centres and universities, SMEs, NGOs, public bodies, distribution system operators and local energy communities.

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