



## LONG STORY CUT SHORT

### We won Interreg Central Europe's writing contest!

ENTRAIN's story was chosen as best entry of the #longstorycutshort writing contest launched by Interreg Central Europe in March 2021!

The prize?

None other than to be editors of the day on September 15 and tell the project story on the programme's social media channels. Do you want to have look at the very first lines?

“ **Just imagine:** You are sitting at home and evening is approaching. A gulf of fresh air comes in from the open window and you start feeling chilly. You switch on the heating, but the familiar sound of your little gas boiler is simply not there. You wonder why and realise that there is no gas boiler anymore! Thanks to the ENTRAIN project!

You can read the story here [on the cooperation is central blog](#).

## NEWS FROM OUR TARGET REGIONS

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## Friuli Venezia Giulia

### "YES" TO THE QM SYSTEM: 24 INTERVIEWS

In Friuli Venezia Giulia we're supporting local administrations to link public incentives for biomass district heating to a QM system - indeed also the EU court of auditors considers the Austrian QM Heizwerke system a good practice since 2006. 24 regional and national stakeholders interviewed in the last months agree on adopting the QM in Italy... and more are adding their voice!



# Kontinentalna Hrvatska

## NETWORKING EVENTS

The North-west Croatia Regional Energy Agency promoted ENTRAIN in two municipalities of Continental Croatia during the summer: the regional event in Krapinske Toplice was opened by the mayor and aimed at discussing perspectives of development of small RES DH systems in Croatia. At the Regional ECO-SPA conference in Sveti Martin na Muri ENTRAIN shared the stage with the HealingPlaces project.



# Vzhodna Slovenija

## STAKEHOLDERS ENGAGEMENT

Big participation at the 4th meeting of local stakeholders in Slovenia's ENTRAIN target region, Lower Podravje and city of Ptuj! The online meeting was organized on September 20th alongside the 3rd and 4th local trainings.

You can find the training material for Vzhodna Slovenija at [this section of the project website](#).

# Mazowieckie

## SUSTAINABLE CITY AND ENERGY MANAGEMENT

At the seminar in Jadwisin we brought together a wide range of representatives of Polish cities and municipalities, as well as experts who had the opportunity to learn about different aspects of integrated urban planning and use of renewable energy sources in district heating.

During the round table we discussed about experiences and plans to improve CHP biomass plant in Płońsk, the project's target region.



# Neckar-Alb

## ENERGY TRANSITION DAYS BW

Our German partners invited citizens and decision makers to celebrate 16 pilot projects in the target region Neckar-Alb, Baden Württemberg, during the Energiewendetag!

Our goal is to build a strong network that will carry on cooperation in heat planning. After the premiere of the pilot projects' videos and posters, around 60 people attended the opening speeches from local decision makers and the principal of Rottenburg university.

# TWIN PROJECTS AND INITIATIVES

Section dedicated to news coming from other projects & initiatives focusing on the topic of district heating and cooling powered by renewables.



## Strategy and action planning started

Together with the regional stakeholder advisory groups, each RES-DHC model region elaborated measures to transform existing urban DHC networks to higher shares of renewables. In the next step, the measures will be evaluated and prioritized. The method how to identify such measures, and how to develop an action plan out of that, was published as Guideline for strategy development on the project website.

For further project outcomes look at the [RES-DHC Know-How area](#) and follow us on Twitter (@DhcRes) and [LinkedIn](#).



## How much district heating and cooling does your country have?

The WEDISTRICT project recently provided an [interactive map](#) giving an EU overview of the share of District Heating and Cooling across Europe. In Denmark and Estonia, for example, more than 60% of citizens were supplied with DH in 2015, while it was less than 5% in Switzerland and the Netherlands. The differences in the DHC stock, the market situation and the barriers in the individual countries have a great impact on the future requirements of DHC systems and technologies.

## Solar district heating (SDH): the information portal [www.solarthermalworld.org](http://www.solarthermalworld.org)

[25-year heat supply contract for 4 MW SDH plant;](#)  
[SDH plant performs well in Swiss winter conditions;](#)  
[Improving the efficiency of SDH;](#)  
["7 MW solar heat plants will be a commodity in Europe in 5 to 10 years";](#)  
[New SDH factsheet database goes online;](#)

[Winners named in Helsinki Energy Challenge for carbon-neutral district heat;](#)  
[Energy Community aims for 0.01 % to 3 % solar share in heating sector;](#)  
["German SDH market could be bigger, if there was enough space".](#)

## PROJECT NEWS

Our lead partner Ambiente Italia had the occasion to talk about **district heating and energy communities** in Chiaravalle (**Milan**) on September 25, showing also the best practices from Germany!

The **ARGE QM Holzheizwerke** annual meeting was organized on October 8 in **Udine** by APE FVG: thanks to ENTRAIN, APE FVG is now part of the international group that manages the QM protocol.

