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## **INTERNATIONAL COMPARISON OF NATIONAL LEGAL SYSTEMS**

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# National Energy Cluster NEK



Dear partners – we are introducing:

- The National Energetical Cluster NEK is an important cluster organization on the field of energy and ecology in Slovakia with a long - standing partnership of important state institutions such as the Ministry of Economy of the Slovak Republic, the Ministry of Investments, Regional Development and Informatization and the Slovak Innovation and Energy Agency.
- The cluster currently has more than 40 members from the ranks of the largest Slovak energetical industry, construction and engineering companies, research institutes and universities, but also dynamic small and medium enterpreneurs. Cluster organisation provides employment for more then 8 thousands people within its network and its gross product is valued at more then 350 milion euros.



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*While community energy is well - established and functioning concept in several European countries, it appears in Slovak legislation only since 2022 in the form of the concepts of energy community and energy community producing energy from renewable energy sources*

*Their potential for implementation is thus at an early and untapped stage, and neither electricity sharing nor cooperation itself is yet feasible. There is also a lack of appropriate energy management and energy support tools for the application and decentralised deployment of energy communities and communities in local conditions.*

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***Among the crucial supporting regulations in the field of energy with regard to energy communities are the following:***

- 1. Act No. 251/2012 Coll. of 31 July 2012 Act on Energy and on Amendments to Additions to Certain Acts.**
- 2. Act No. 276/2001 Coll. on Regulation in Network Industries and on Amendments to Certain Acts, as amended (including Act No. 107/2007 Coll.)**
- 3. Act No. 657/2004 Coll. of 26 October 2004 on thermal energy**
- 4. Act No. 321/2014 Coll. of 21 October 2014 on Energy Efficiency and on Amendments to Certain Acts (including Act No. 419/2020 Coll. of 1 December 2020).**
- 5. Act No. 363/2020 Coll. on the Promotion of Renewable Energy Sources**
- 6. Act No. 17/1992 Coll. Environmental Act (as amended by No. 127/1994 Coll., 287/1994 Coll., 171/1998 Coll., 211/2000 Coll., 332/2007 Coll., 388/2021 Coll.)**

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***The Energy Community (SE) and the Energy Association (SME) are legal entities,***

**based on the production of electricity from renewable energy sources or biomethane and also for the supply of electricity or gas, not carrying out business activities, it is possible to enter them and be a shareholder as a municipality, municipality or SME and operate in a given region or municipality.**

**Unlike an energy association, members of an energy community can also include large locally located energy generation and distribution undertakings and may also be based on energy distribution.**



## ***Organizers and implementers of legislation in the Slovak Republic***

The decisive central professional and administrative legislative authorities in the Slovak Republic, competent in decision-making and management of processes relevant to energy management and environmental care, and especially for Energy Communities and Energy Communities, are, in particular:

- ***Ministry of Economy of the Slovak Republic***
- ***Ministry of Environment of the Slovak Republic***
- ***Slovak Innovation and Energy Agency***
- ***Slovak Environment Agency***
- ***Regulatory Office for Network Industries***

with precisely defined competencies and activities in accordance with the Programme Declaration of the Government of the Slovak Republic for the given legislative period.

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**Ladies and gentlemen**  
**Thank you for Your attention and we look forward**  
**to cooperate with You**

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