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Experience of Energy Cooperatives in Georgia Givi Javakhishvili

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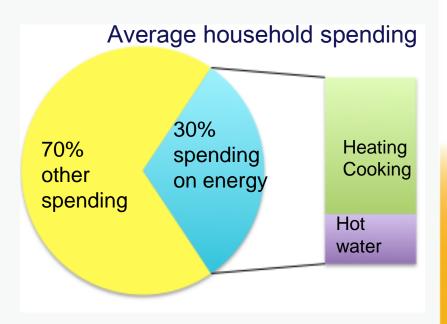


Situation in rural areas of Georgia

- 400.000 households use 10-12 m³/ year of firewood for water heating, house heating and cooking
- Wide spread energy poverty 1 inefficient stove for all the family







Impact esp. on women

- Labor burden
- Indoor air pollution
- Deforestation

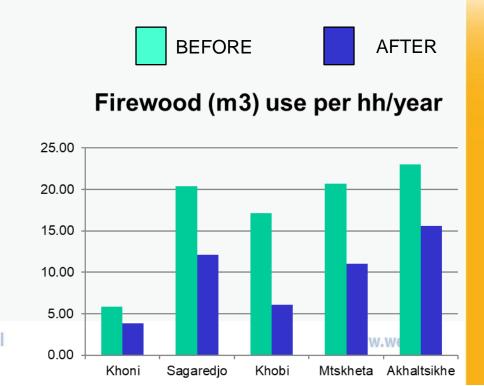
Pilot phase 2014

- 2017:

- 4 energy cooperatives + 1 umbrella cooperative set up
- 850 Solar Water Heaters
- 50 Houses insulated,
- 150 fuel efficient stoves
- Less air pollution, better health





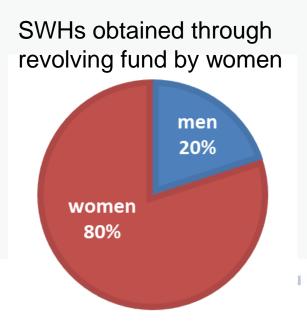


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Benefits for women

- Women benefitted most from SWH installed at their home
- Women as monitor and maintenance experts
- Women community leadership → active in e-cooperatives





Implementation strategies

Business model energy-cooperatives

Value-chain for economically sustainable lowcarbon, equitable, energy sector



Sustainbale energy technologies for rural households

Less GHG emissions

Financial mechanism -> equitable replication

Levering private finance with subsidy mechanism combined with affordable loans



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Better
Livelihood for
women & men

Policy support and changing behaviour

Promoting sustainable forest use and economic development through awareness raising & capacity building

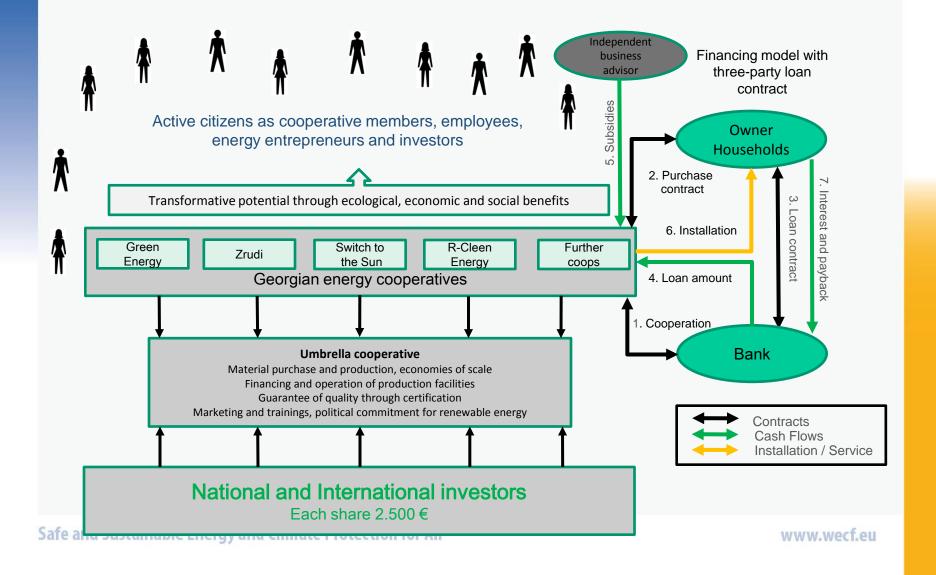


Reduced costs and effort, more comfort, better health and less unsustainble firewood use

Aim: all rural households (400.000) have sustainable Safe and Sustainable Energy and Climate Protection for All locally produced energy by 2040

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Services of Energy Cooperatives

Construction and Installation of Solar Water Heaters(SWH) and back up services







Save 25% of energy Saves 1 ton of CO2 PER 1M2 SWH Improved health

Production and Installation of Fuel efficient stoves

- Consume 60% less fire wood
- Less emissions of GHG
- Decreased exposure to hazardous substances
- Less burden on women
- Decreased expenditures







Solar Dryers for Fruits and Vegetables . Organizing Drying Facilities











Production of Fuel Briquettes from Agricultural & Forest Residues







- Replaces use of fire wood
- Decreased expenditures on energy
- Improved health
- Decreased emissions of CO2
- Fueling the local small businesses

Construction/production of different solar devices

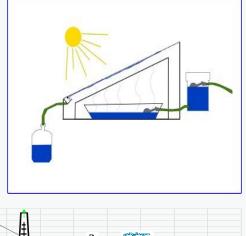


Milk pasteurizers

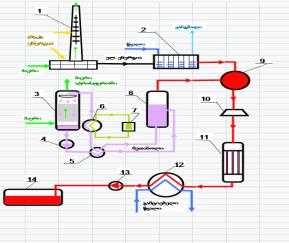




Water distillatory



Solar energy accumulation



Insulation of Houses









Used natural locally growing materials: Straw, reeds, typha, clay, etc.

Improved energy efficiency by a factor of 50%

Thank YOU!