

SEV - South Tyrolean Energy Union

District heating, SEV and the Italian context

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South Tyrol





- **❖** Where is South Tyrol?
- **❖** About 550.000 inhabitants
- 60% German speaking
- 30% Italian speaking
- 10% Ladin speaking





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294 members

114 hydropower plants46 heating plants149 photovoltaic installations

Cooperatives
Enterprises
Municipalities
Consortiums

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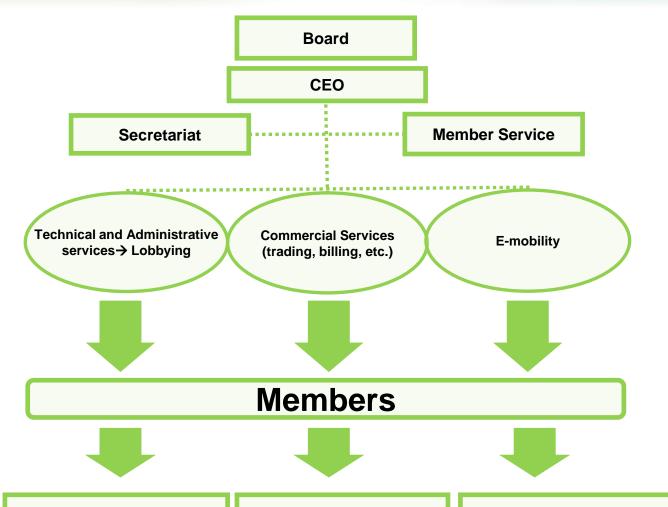






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District Heating Plants

Photovoltaic Installations

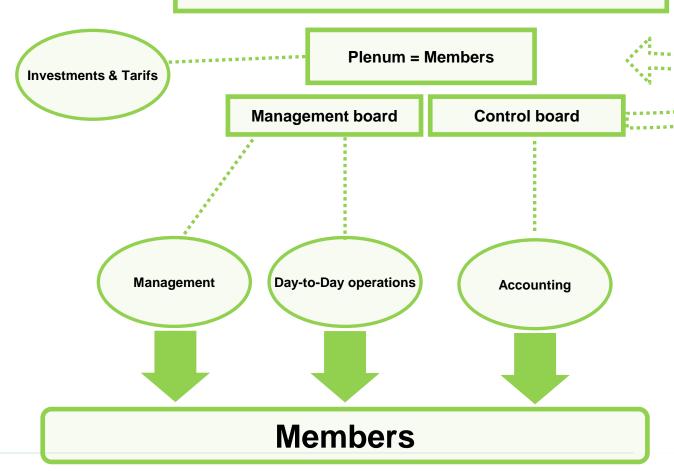
Hydro-Electric Power Plants







DISTRICT HEATING PLANTS









2. District Heating in South-Tyrol









Highest density of district heating plants

- ❖ 78 biomass district heating plants in South Tyrol
 - → 46 biomass district heating plants are our members
- **❖** About 50% are cooperatives
- The biggest biomass district heating plant has an installed performance of about 31 MW
- The smallest biomass district heating plant has an installed performance of about 300kW





Goals of DHP cooperatives

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- ❖ No profit goals → lower price per kWh
- ❖ Added value from local use
- Identification with surroundings
 - → clients are also plant co-owners







Advantages

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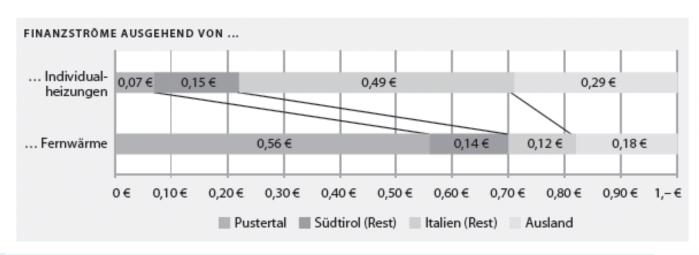
District heating
1 € from the client

→ total: 70 Cents in SOUTH TYROL

Conventional heating (oil)

1 € from the client

→ total: 22 Cents in SOUTH TYROL









Values and roles for the members



Advantages of cooperatives

- Equal rights for members
- Lower heating costs (15-30 % less compared to oil heating)
- ❖ Decisive power over

heat costs

investments

admission of new member etc.

Difficulties

- Low interest in activities and development of the cooperative
- Main interest only in cost reduction
 - → risk to loose members to competitors





Marketing initiatives

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- Personalized products
- **❖** Gifts to members
- Open days



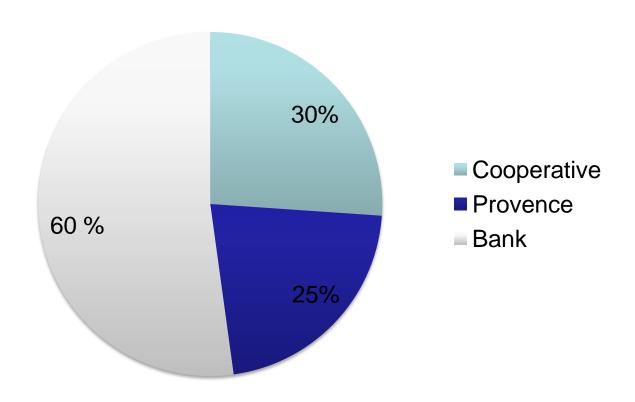






Financing for District Heating









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3. District heating in Italy



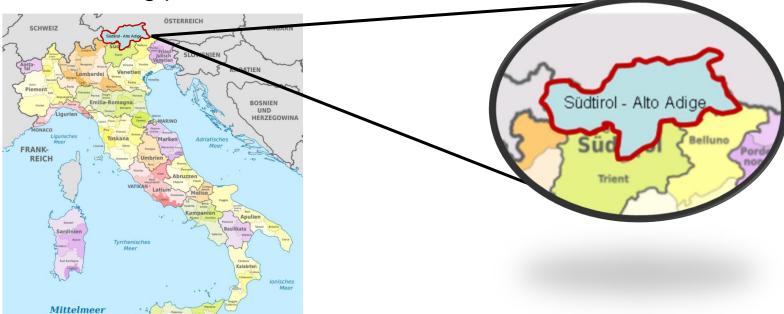


District heating in Italy

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In Italy there are about 100 biomass district heating plants

....about 70% of them are in South Tyrol





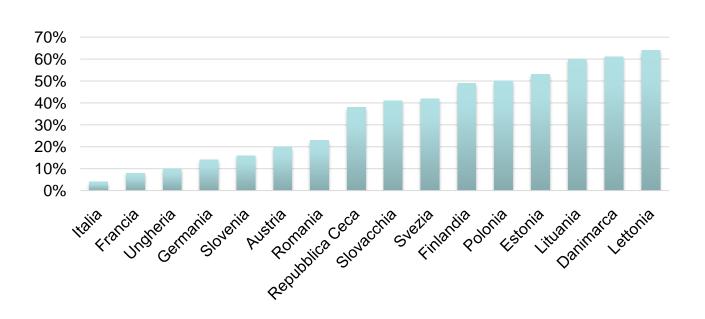
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District heating in Italy



Heating district distribution (%) in EU's Countries (heat demand)





216 heating districts in Italy, whereof 86 are fueled by wood biomass It represents 4% of the Civil heating market







4. Regulation environment





Regulations



 until June 2018 there was no written regulation for the district heating plants on a national level

Delibera 18 gennaio 2018 24/2018/R/tlr
a) Right of withdrawal
b) Standard forms





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Regulations first step (since June 2018)



Request for connection and a cost estimate

Refusal for connection to the district heating plant

Cost estimate for the connection

Request for disconnection or deactivation from the grid Reply to request for disconnection or deactivation from the network







Minimum Standards for clients:

- 1) Regulation of the contractual quality of district heating service (start June 2018)
- 2) Regulation of the service cost for the separation of apartment building operating costs (for the future)
- 3) Regulation of the attachment costs (for the future)

Proposal for the future from the authority: total of 30-40 minimum requirements, all of which must be accurately documented.

→ For example: How many minutes does a customer wait at the information desk until he gets an information?





Lobbying



The SEV is taking part in the discussion with the Italian Regulation Authority in order to avoid the worst case scenarios.

If all the regulations become official as proposed by the Authority it would put a big bureaucratic workload on the small district heating plants.





What brings the future











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