### Energy cooperative Elektropionir, Serbia

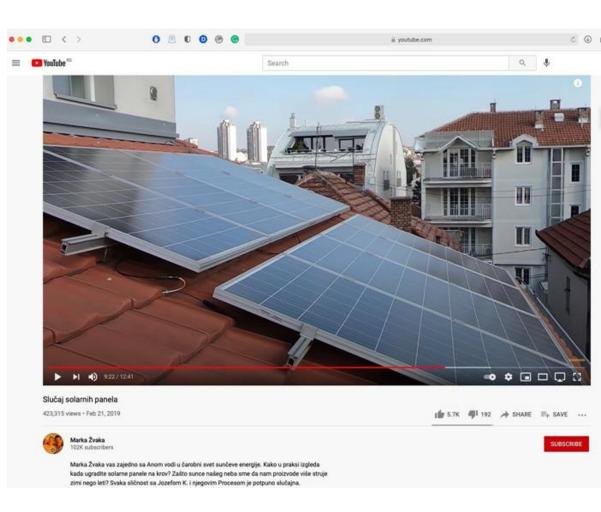
### https://elektropionir.rs

enable individuals, households and communities to be actors in the energy transition and become clean energy producers themselves



## Trigger for Elektropionir

- Overcome obstacles for prosumer households (experienced first hand)
- Provide required legal entity for surplus export



### First points of action

- Identify obstacles for households on their way to become clean energy producers ("prosumers")
- Push demonstration case
- Mobilise for best possible conditions allowing others to follow



# Who we are and why we do it?

Direct commitment of citizens!

- driven by personal desire
- powerful "bottom-up" tool to shift the energy mix
- door-opener for personal engagement in energy transition
- key for democratisation of the energy sector in general



## How do we work?

- We meet at least once a week
- We have different committees:
  - Development of business model
  - Establishing 1MW solar power plant
  - Education
  - Horizontal governance
  - Partnership/networking
  - PR





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## 2021: Legislative breakthrough

Zakon o korišćenju OIE (April, 2021) opens door for prosumers, but:

- citizens are uninformed
- unrealistic expectations
- market "wild west"

This brings huge risk of backlash, or failure of citizens-led PV

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#### ELEKTRIČNA ENERGUA

### Elektrodistribucija Srbije objavila uputstvo kako domaćinstva mogu da steknu status prozjumera



#### Pedja / 04.11.2021.

Pa jel to pojednostavljena procedura ?parazit jedni birokrastki!!! https://www.danas.rs/vesti/drustvo/mihajlovic-smanjenje-potrosnje-nacionalni-interesjednostavnom-procedurom-do-solarnih-panela/... Sram vas bilo !!!



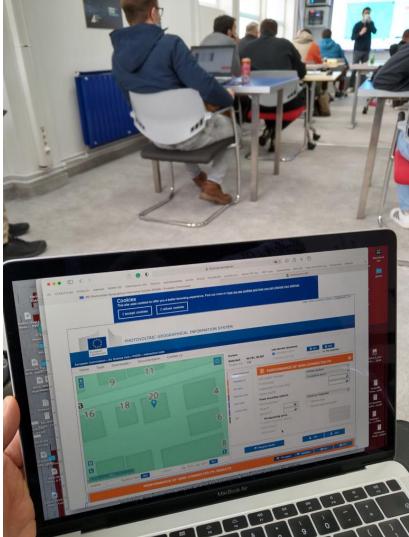
#### Milan / 10.11.2021.

Ja stvarno ne razumem da je zakon donet a jos se ne primenjuje i u EPS-u bez obzira koji grad pojma nemaju jer kazu da nista dobili nisu kako i na koji nacin da rade po novom zakonu! Ko kupuje strujomer i koji strujomer uopste ide ako neko zna molim vas da napise.



## Elektropionir, currently:

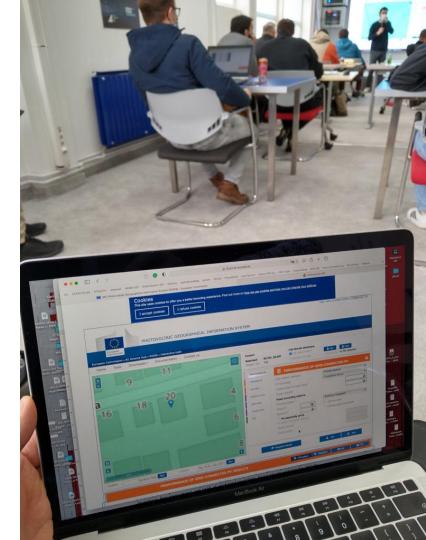
- procedure for a pilot prosumer PV plant and step-by-step guide (household; public institution)
- launching new course for becoming a prosumer
- outlining energy contracts
- crowdfunding campaign for small solar power plant
- advocating for a better position of households and energy cooperatives within the legislative framework and procedures



# Experiences from pioneering PV course

In 2021 launched "Solartehnika narodu" (Solartech to the People) – feedback points to:

- urgent need for reliable (trusted) information
- clear step-by-step guidance
- platform for assistance
- need for network of trusted installers / turn-key solutions



### Longer term horizon

- allowing for "snowballing" of citizens participation (if the neighbour has it, ...)
- prepares future roles of energy cooperative:
  aggregate prosumers into community based virtual
  power plant (cVPP), P2P
  energy exchange, grid
  services (boost roll-out of renewables!)

