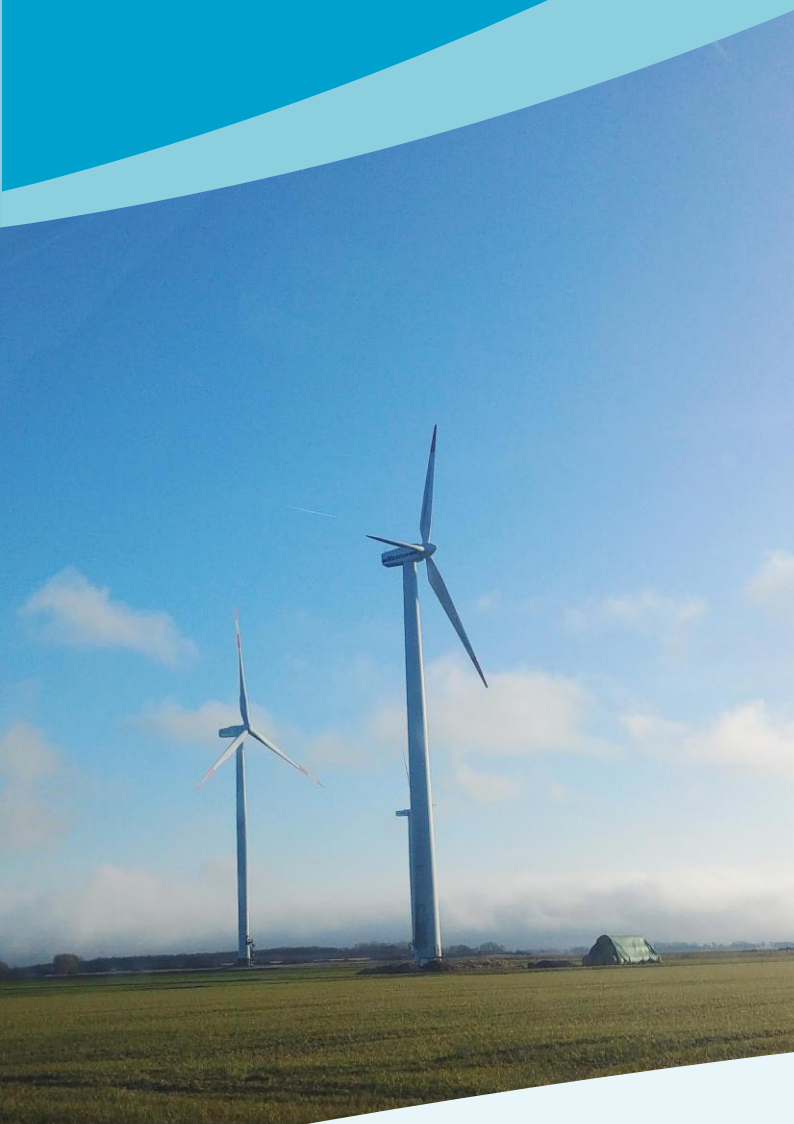




COBEN HIGHLIGHTS

Jan/Feb 2021



Upcoming events

- **UPPK**
Webinar at the 'Uppsala Climate Week 2021' (March 21st -27th) in Uppsala with general information about civic energy & community energy initiatives and how to start one (check out the full event details [here](#))
- **RKSK**
March 27th will celebrate the start of the Videbæk pilot with a special event

Hochschule Osnabrück, Germany (HSOS)

The HSOS had an exciting meeting with the 'Deutsche Bundesstiftung Umwelt' DBU (German Federal Environmental Foundation) in which they presented the COBEN project and first results of their survey on success factors of citizen energy cooperatives, as well as discussed the potential of civic energy as a driver for democratization processes throughout Europe.

Provincie Oost-Vlaanderen, Belgium (POVL)

The formulation of a 'Heat Transition Vision' for Zelzate is currently discussed, with upcoming stakeholder meetings to develop the plan. In Eeklo – Maldegem the province is preparing a communication plan that involves a webinars and other press activities such as a digital newsletter, as well as a wind journal and a bike tour map to promote the wind landscape.

Ringkøbing-Skjern Kommune, Denmark (RKSK)

As part of its fossil-free vision, RKSK is promoting the switch to electric cars. The beginning of 2021 RKSK started dialogues with three further possible adopters of electrified car sharing in Videbæk, Vesterhavshallen and Blæsenborgparketn. To encourage the use of the electric car sharing schemes, three promotional instruction videos have been produced (watch [here](#)).

Uppsala kommun, Sweden (UPPK)

Our Swedish partners used the beginning on 2021 to investigate the technical conditions and possibilities for community energy at the mobility house with their 'matchmaking platform'. On top of this, UPPK engaged in a dialogue and knowledge sharing with the Energy Agency for Southeast Sweden, as well as holding a seminar with the COBEN partners to facilitate a knowledge exchange about local authority engagement and public procurement.

