

RENEWABLE ENERGY POLICY DOCUMENTS

Definition

Policy documents on local, regional, national and transnational level that refer to the use of renewable energy. On EU level the major policies are:

- Energy 2020 A strategy for competitive, sustainable and secure energy,
- Renewable Energy Directive (2009/28/EC), and
- Directive to reduce indirect land use change for biofuels and bio liquids ((EU)2015/1513).

According to these policies, EU countries should together reach a binding target of 20% final energy consumption from renewable sources by 2020. In order to do so they have committed themselves to their own targets ranging from 10% in Malta to 49% in Sweden. Additionally, they are required to reach at least 10% of their transport fuel comes from renewable sources by 2020.

On the national level countries adopt *national renewable energy strategies/operational programmes/action plans* presenting their objectives and measures to implement to meet the targets. These plans include sectorial targets for electricity, heating and cooling, and transport; planned policy measures; the different mix of renewables technologies they expect to employ; and the planned use of cooperation mechanisms.

On the lower administrative levels, regions can adopt *regional energy plans*, and on the local level local communities can prepare local energy concept.

Local energy concept (LEC), called as well *(local) sustainable energy plan*, assesses opportunities and proposes solutions for the energy supply of the local community, taking into account the long-term development of the local community in various fields and existing energy capacity. Local energy concepts are designed to raise awareness of energy consumers, to prepare measures in the field of energy efficiency, and to introduce new energy solutions. They include an analysis of the current situation in the field of energy use and energy supply. LEC examines the possibility of using local renewable energy sources, which increase the security of supply of heat and electricity in the local community. The proposed projects simultaneously bring the reduction of emissions and environmental pollution. Local energy concept includes an Action Plan (where projects are economically evaluated) and a schedule.

Related terms

Planning process

Keywords

Policy making, Sustainable energy, Renewable energy

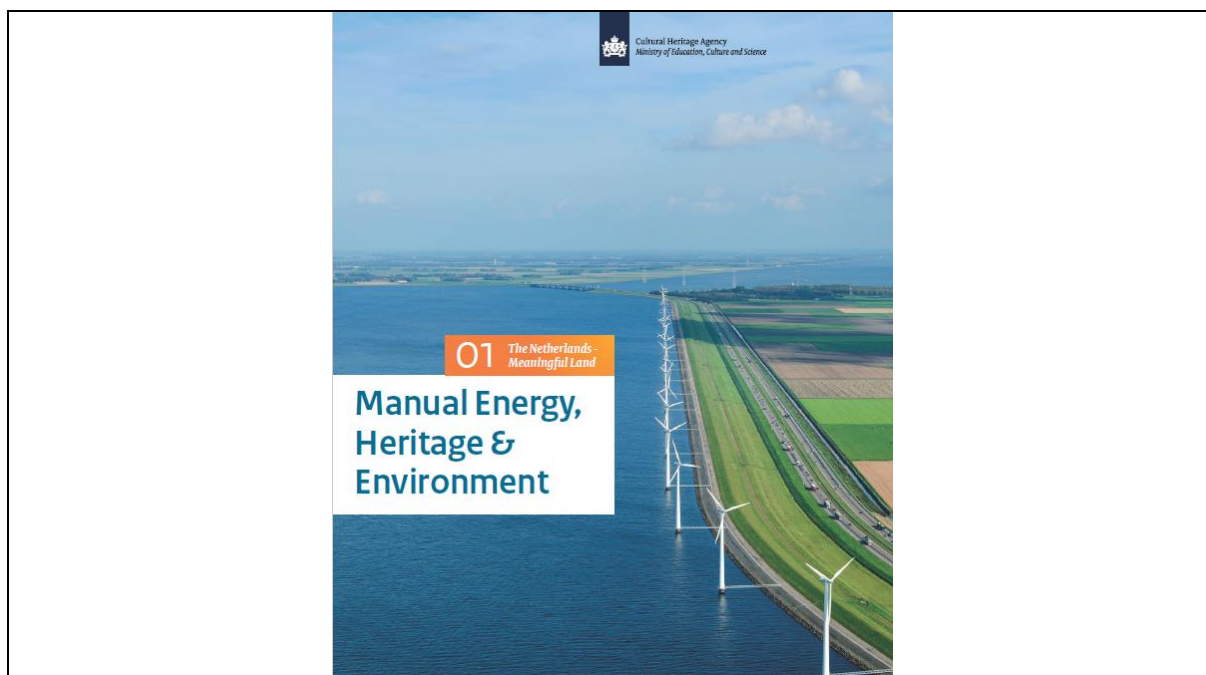


Figure 42 Cover of the National policy statement for renewable energy, heritage and environment by the Dutch Agency for Cultural Heritage (Source: <http53>)

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 European Commission 2009: Directive 2009/28/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 23 April 2009 on the promotion of the use of energy from renewable sources. European Commission, Brussels.
<http54>: <http://www.lea-ptuj.si/en/services/local-energy-concept/>

Translations

Bosnia and Herzegovina Zakonska regulativa u vezi obnovljivih izvora energije
 Bulgarian Политически документ за възобновяема енергия
 Croatian Regulativa iz obnovljivih izvora energije
 Czech Politické dokumenty týkající se obnovitelných zdrojů
 Danish Vedvarende energi politisk document
 Dutch Beleidsdocumenten
 Esperanto Dokumentoj politikaj pri produktado de renovigebla energio
 Estonian Taastuenergia-alane seadusandlus
 Finnish Uusiutuvan energian politiikka-aineistot
 French Documents politiques sur l'Énergie renouvelable
 German Positionspapier zu Erneuerbaren Energien
 Greek Κείμενα πολιτικής για τις ΑΠΕ
 Hebrew מהדשות אנרגיות על מדיניות מסמכי
 Hungarian Megújulóenergia-irányelv dokumentumai
 Italian Documenti di indirizzo per l'energia rinnovabile
 Icelandic Stefnuskjöl um endurnýjanlega orku

Latvian Atjaunīgās enerģijas (AE) politikas dokumenti
 Lithuanian Atsinaujinančios energetikos teisės aktai
 Montenegrin Zakonska regulativa o obnovljivim izvorima energije
 Polish Dokumenty polityki źródeł odnawialnych
 Portuguese Documentos de orientação política para Energia Renovável
 Romanian Documente politice privind energia regenerabilă
 Russian Документы по политике использования возобновляемых источников энергии
 Slovenian Dokumenti politik za obnovljive vire energije
 Serbian Законска регулатива у вези обновљивих извора енергије
 Spanish Normativa sobre energías renovables
 Swedish Energipolicy