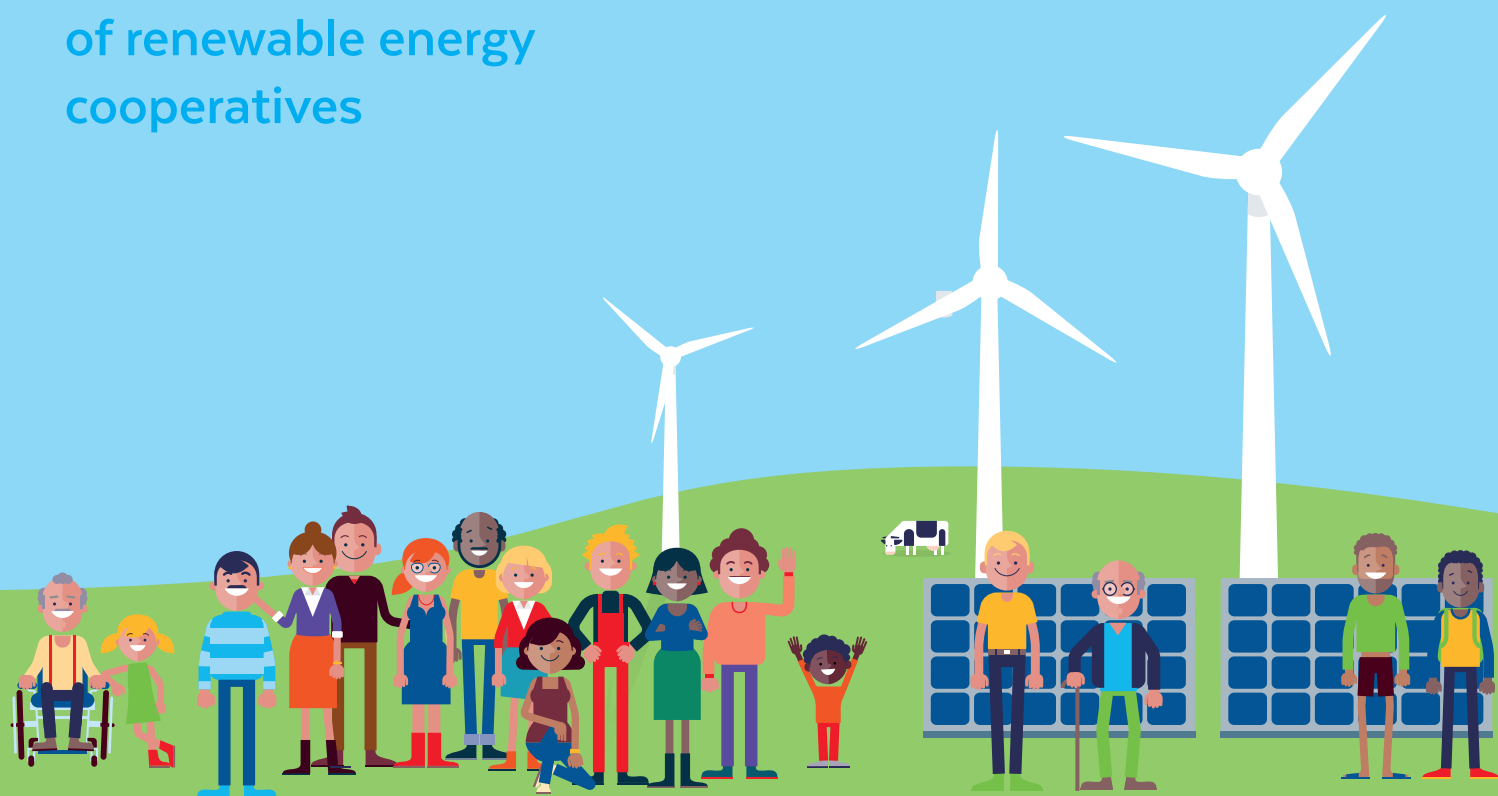




Annual report January to December 2017

European Federation
of renewable energy
cooperatives



REScoop.eu is the European federation for groups and cooperatives of citizens of renewable energy, energy efficiency and e-mobility. Our network of 1 500 cooperatives represents over 1 million European citizens. Through REScoop.eu, we wish to make our voices heard in the European energy debate. We after all are the ones who will be paying for Europe's low carbon energy transition.

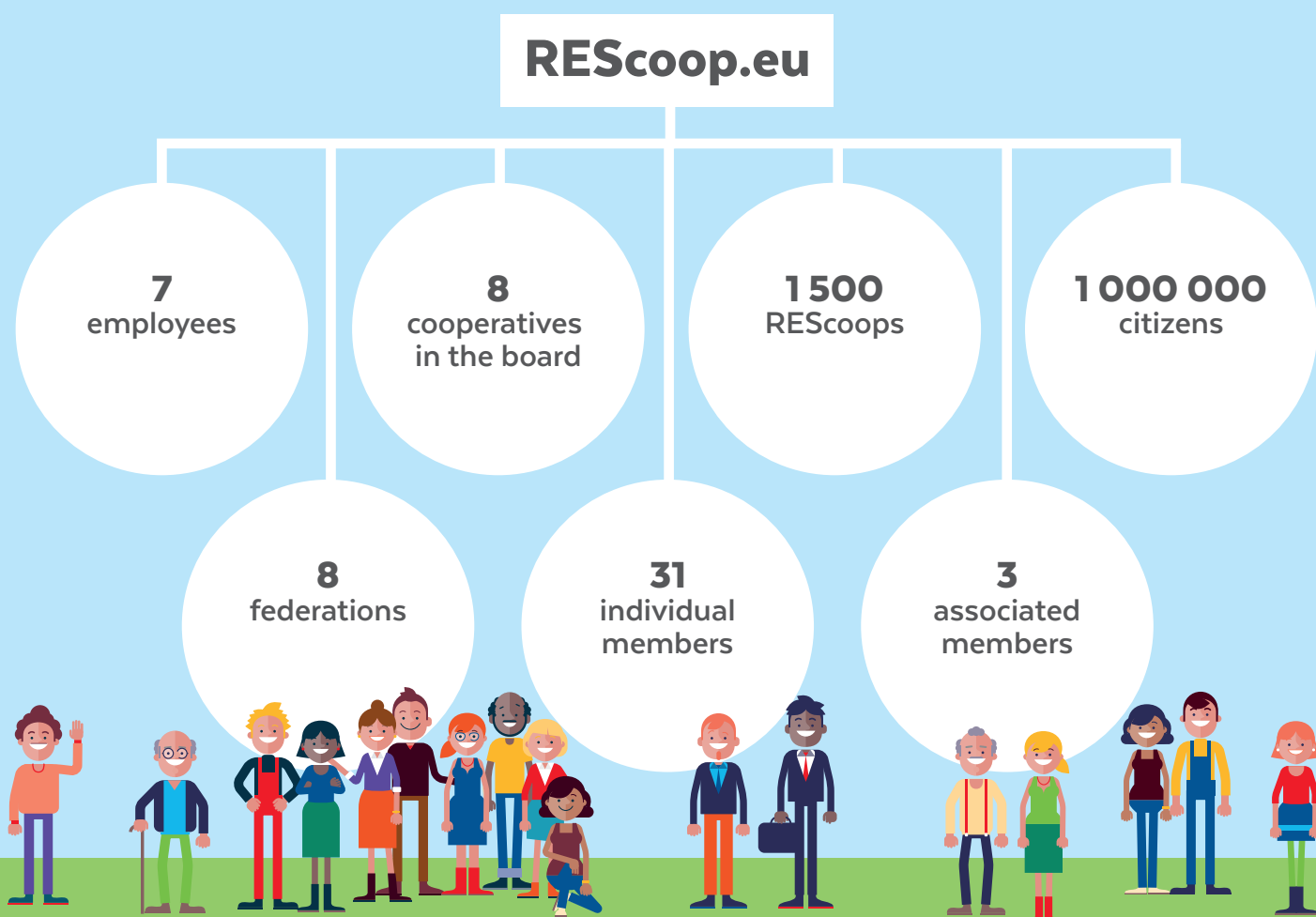
Our aims are:

1. Representing the voice of citizens and energy cooperatives in the EU energy debates
2. Fostering international collaborations and partnerships between REScoops
3. Providing services to the European REScoops
4. Promoting the REScoop business model

Thank you

We would like to take the opportunity to sincerely thank our members. It is thanks to your ongoing support and dedication that we achieved great things last year. We are looking forward to continue working together in the years to come and take the next steps towards energy democracy.

Our elected board of eight energy cooperatives, elected for four year terms, sets our policy and direction. We are supported by a seven-person team working in Brussels and Berchem (Belgium).



Revenues	€ 467 428,64
Expenses	€ 443 500,60
Surplus	€ 23 928,04



Current projects



REScoop MECISE is a project in which several European cooperatives are developing renewable energy & energy efficiency projects and aim to enforce relationships with local authorities. REScoop.eu is working on the set-up of a financial facilitation service.



In **WiseGRID** we develop and test smart grid integration technology in an attempt to maximize decentralised energy production from renewable sources.



REScoop Plus aims to identify and replicate best practises of the European REScoops in the field of energy efficiency.



In **CITYinvest** we team up with Climate Alliance, one of driving forces of the Covenant of Mayors, to develop innovative financing models for energy retrofits in public buildings.

New projects



FLEXcoop aims to develop demand response schemes which will enable cooperatives to take up the role of aggregator.



In **Ecco** we aim to enhance the relationships with farmers and support them in setting up and working with energy cooperatives.



A word from our president

The energy markets are transforming more rapidly than anyone might have imagined a few years ago. Renewables prices have continued to fall, and their take-up has spread across our shared continent.

Smart technologies mean we can better manage demand and supply, whilst energy storage is becoming much cheaper. Large parts of the transport system are likely to decarbonise and electric vehicles start to gain wide-scale adoption. We believe that it is essential that informed and empowered citizens are at the heart of this transition.

Pollution and climate change do not respect national boundaries and so the European Union has taken a leading role in designing a policy framework for our continent, and we have been working to ensure citizens' voices are heard in that debate.

Following the EU proposals for "Clean Energy for All Europeans" we met with key actors in the EU to show how a citizen-led energy transition is likely to generate faster and better take-up of renewables. Drawing on expertise from different members and academic research we published a series of position papers showing how this ambition could be put into practice.

Through our participation in EU projects we have been gaining expertise on topics like energy efficiency, financing RES & EE, smart grid integration technology, demand response, shared e-mobility and collaborations with local authorities. This will enable us to develop new services to our members.

We currently rely on the EU funding to help sustain our work. In the coming year our intention is to diversify our sources of income and to develop services of direct benefit to member cooperatives.

REScoop.eu has achieved a lot in a short time and the moment for citizen led energy transition is now. I ask you to join us on that journey.

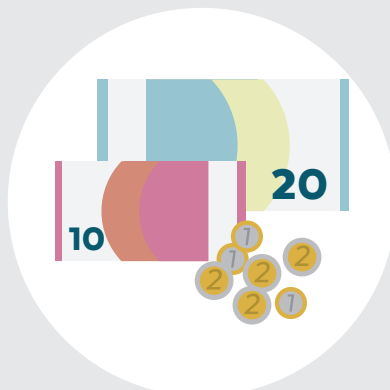
Yours in cooperation,

Dirk

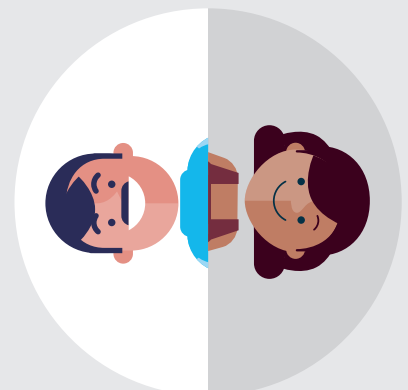
Reached over 8 000 people
through presentations at
international conferences



All team members work under the
same salary conditions



2 women and 5 men
in the team
8 women and 8 men
in the board



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