

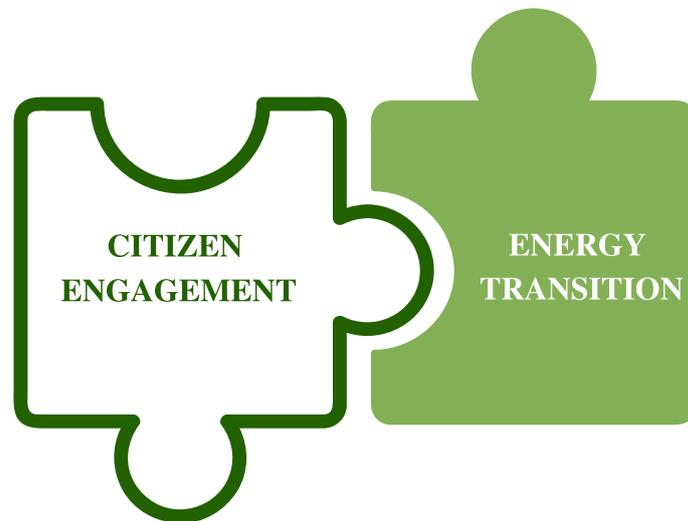


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Collective action Models for
Energy Transition and Social Innovation



COMETS (Collective Action Models for the Energy Transition and Social Innovation) is bridging the knowledge gaps around citizen engagement in the energy transition to renewable sources by investigating and quantifying the aggregate contribution of Collective Action Initiatives (CAIs) in the energy sector at both national and European levels.



The energy transition is the process of transforming the current fossil fuel based energy system to an energy system that is from renewable sources. For this process to be further advanced, citizens should be recognized and given a central role.



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GOALS OF COMETS

Strengthen the role of citizens as energy producers and consumers;

Support the diffusion of Collective Action Initiatives (CAIs) throughout Europe by exploring the regulatory, financial, political, cultural and technical contexts of countries;

Provide policy makers with useful knowledge and innovative tools on the functioning of CAIs in the energy sector;

Explore the potential of CAIs for their widespread presence in the energy system.



KEY STAKEHOLDERS

CAIs (existing and future) will be able to find solutions for further developments;

Citizens will gain awareness about the benefits of participating in local level energy production, distribution and consumption;

Policy makers will be provided with many evidence-based tools to support their efforts in the energy transition;

The European Union will be supported in developing a broader decentralized, affordable, secure, inclusive and sustainable energy system.

MAIN ACTIVITIES

Developing an enhanced, up-to-date definition of collective action in the energy sector;

Producing a Europe-wide inventory of CAIs;

Reporting on CAIs determinants, contributions and performance;

Surveying CAIs to provide more in-depth knowledge of characteristics and dynamics;

Designing manuals that provide a strategic roadmap for supporting social innovation in the energy sector;

Investigating case studies on existing CAIs that will be involved in co-producing knowledge and co-design scaling up strategies;

Supporting an open-sourced virtual platform for CAIs roadmaps, knowledge and development.



COMETS is exploring quantitatively and qualitatively the reasons, potential, objectives and barriers to the development of Collective Action Initiatives (CAIs), as well as their contribution to the energy transition at European and national levels.



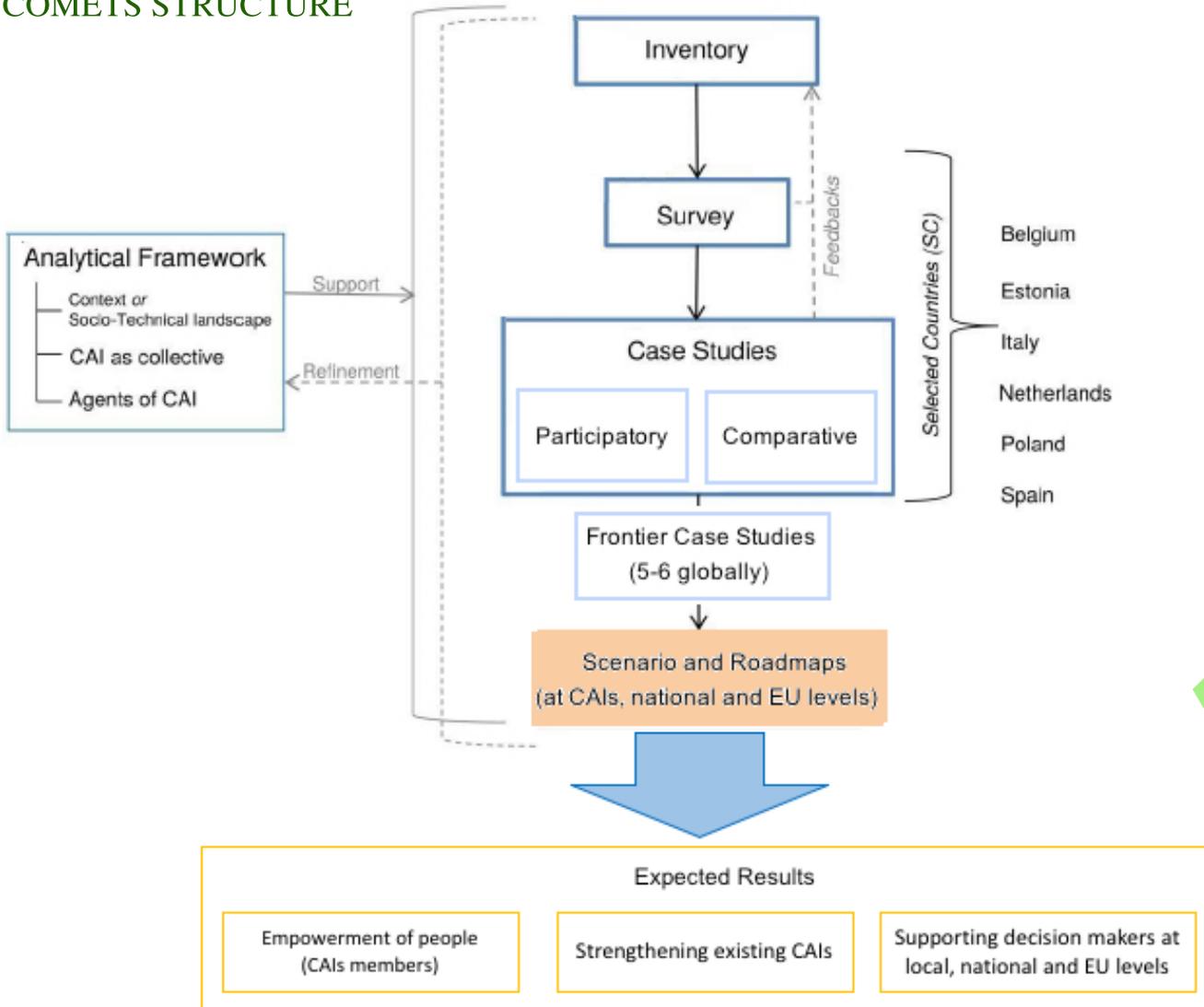
Information gathered during the project will help to co-design and test supportive tools together with the participants in CAIs, as well as the political and scientific community. COMETS is expected to allow all these actors to understand, promote and facilitate the mobilization of civil society, as well as guarantee the acceptance and participation in the transition process.

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A Europe-wide project to study and promote the role of citizens in the energy transition

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