

The Local Partnership

Each partner is managing the project at local level by means of networking actions aiming at involving local relevant stakeholders, both public and private who are grouped in a Regional Steering Committee (RSC).

In **Liguria** region, ARE Liguria and Unioncamere Liguria have so far got the collaboration of CIA, Coldiretti, Confagricoltura and Corefli.

In **Croatia**, IPTPO has achieved the collaboration of the Environmental Protection and Energy Efficiency Fund, Pula County Chamber of Economy, Istrian Region Government, Poreč and Vodnjan Municipalities, University of Rijeka, AZRRI, MIH, Agrolaguna d.o.o. and Usluga Poreč d.o.o.

In **Greece**, the RSC organised by ANATOLIKI SA is composed by the

Laboratory of Renewable & Sustainable Energy Systems of Technical University of Crete, the Department of Environmental Engineering of Technical University of Crete, the Association of Cretan Olive Municipalities, the BIOLEA-Astrikas Estate, the Olive oil industry "Anatoli S.A", and some representatives of olive millers and growers.

In **Slovenia**, UPZRS has involved in its RSC some representatives of olive millers and growers, of the Institute for Mediterranean Agriculture and olive growing, of Energy Agency and of the Municipality of coast cities.

In **Spain**, In Jaén region, Agener has so far got the collaboration of GEOLIT, FAECA, CITOLIVA, UNIVERSIDAD DE JAÉN, FAFPE, AGENDA 21, UPA.

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More Than Energy

The MORE Project

The main objective of the MORE Project is to generate renewable energy using solid residues of olive oil production.

The project operates for the creation and development of an energy market based on waste production and intends to provide specific training and raising-awareness actions.

The studies and the best practices exchange activities focus in particular on the definition of a methodology to identify the best solutions in terms of sizing, technology used, cost and management capacity to satisfy the various European producers needs. The project involves 5 European countries: Italy, Croatia, Greece, Spain

and Slovenia, by means of six different local organizations that make up the partnership.

In Italy, two partners are involved: the project leader - Liguria's regional agency for energy, ARE Liguria - and the regional association of the four Ligurian Chambers of Commerce - Unioncamere Liguria.

The Partners involved are: in Croatia, IPTPO, the Institute of Agriculture and Tourism; in Greece, Anatoliki SA, the Regional Energy Agency of Central Macedonia; in Slovenia, UPZRS, the Science and Research Centre in Koper; in Spain, AGENER, the Agency for Energy Management of the Province of Jaen.

The European Market

The European Union is the largest world producer of olive oil with more than 2 million tons produced in 2007 - about 75% of total production - and an annual increase estimated at 3.5 - 4%.

Over 10 million tons of olives are annually used in the production of oil. Of these, a high percentage forms the solid waste in the production process: the pulp and the olive-stone, with a high energy value and therefore useful, by means of the appropriate technology, to produce clean energy.

More than 12,000 European milling companies might then obtain a substantial reduction of the solid waste and decrease their production costs.

Moreover, there would be a consistent benefit deriving from the energy diversification, such as the reduction of fossil fuel consumption and of harmful emissions.



MORE Project's Actions and Benefits

Running from November 2007 to April 2010, the project MORE aims to:

- identify different methodologies to generate renewable energy using solid olive residues;
- assess the various practical energy solutions in terms of technology, financial sustainability and management procedures and elaborate business plans in order to satisfy the different European production needs;
- involve public and private stakeholders to develop the local markets and create distribution channels;
- carry out educational and promotional activities;
- define a methodology for replication in other European regions.