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Call for book chapters and workshops

### **Activating People for Energy Transition in the Baltic Sea Region**

Flexibility options for demand-side, social acceptance and community engagement

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Public acceptance and bottom-up grassroots movements play an essential role in the energy transition. As a result, it is vital to understand how to unlock the potential for public, community, and prosumer participation in renewable energy deployment and a clean energy transition; consequently, how social acceptability emerges. The existing body of literature on these topics may be extensive, but it often provides little guidance to policymakers and other actors on how to proceed with their work given the complex nature of social acceptance and acceptability.

We are compiling chapters for a new edited volume that examines practical implications of policy measures and provides recommendations on these topics. The book will be submitted to Routledge publishing house as part of the series Routledge Studies in Energy Transitions.

**We invite submissions of chapter proposals that analyse the potential for active stakeholder engagement in the energy transition in the Baltic Sea Region (BSR) in order to foster clean energy deployment in the region.**

Topics covered in this book include, but are not limited to, the following:

- challenges of social acceptance and its policy implications;
- the role of prosumers in energy-system flexibility;
- strategies to address challenges of acceptability among stakeholders and facilitate stakeholder participation in energy production;
- bottom-up and grassroots activities for the energy transition; and
- community engagement in clean energy production.

Chapter proposals should reflect an interdisciplinary approach in the areas of social sciences, political science, economics, and law.

Authors of accepted proposals will be invited to two workshops. The first workshop is organised in cooperation with the Polish Academy of Sciences IMP PAN in Gdansk, Poland,



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and will be held on **13–14 May 2020**. At this workshop, authors will present the first draft of their chapters, followed by discussion and feedback from the participants and editors. At the second workshop in Greifswald, Germany, the final version of the papers will be presented for a final discussion. This second workshop will be held in late autumn 2020 or early 2021.

**Please submit abstracts of maximum 300 words (including keywords) and short author resumes to [farid.karimi@uni-greifswald.de](mailto:farid.karimi@uni-greifswald.de) by 20 March 2020.** We will notify authors of accepted abstracts by the last week of March.

IFZO covers accommodation costs for participation in the workshops in Gdansk and Greifswald.