

# INFORSE-Europe International Network for Sustainable Energy - Europe Annual Report - 2023-2024 Report of Activities

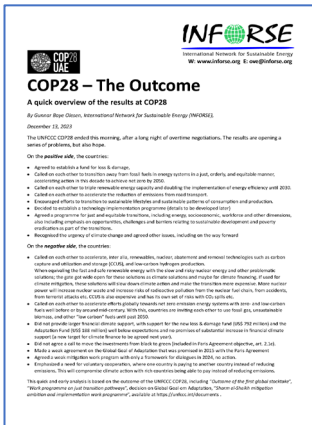
Period: 1 April 2023 - 31 March 2024



## INFORSE EU policy press releases



**Press release, 5. June 2023 Low energy towards climate neutrality: a new pathway for Europe. Presentation of the Clever energy scenario for EU countries.**



**December 13, 2023**  
**The outcome has been analysed by INFORSE. Read about the positive and the negative sides.**



**March 12, 2024, Time: 12.00**  
**Anti-nuclear Human Chain demonstration in Strasbourg in front of the European Parliament**  
INFORSE-Europe co-signed the petition together with 50+ organisations and networks from 12 European countries (Austria, Belgium, Bulgaria, Czech Republic, Denmark, France, Finland, Germany, Hungary, Netherlands, Romania, and Russia).  
Join and read more at: [chainehumaine.fr](https://chainehumaine.fr)



**March 21-22, 2024**  
**INFORSE-Europe Joined Anti Nuclear Statements addressing the Nuclear Energy Summit in Brussels organised by IAEA.**  
- *Dont' Nuke the Climate: Against IAEA's Nuclear Fairy Tales* signed by 600+ organisations.  
- *CAN-Europe Myth Buster: Nuclear energy is a dangerous distraction (6 Myths vs 6 Facts and Conclusion) and CAN-Europe's Press Release.*



**March 27, 2024**  
**INFORSE joined the Sufficiency Manifesto together with almost 100 European organisations**

Read the positions at [https://inforse.org/europe/eu\\_policy\\_press.htm](https://inforse.org/europe/eu_policy_press.htm)

## Side events at UNFCCC SB58 in Bonn and COP28 in Dubai

INFORSE-Europe participated at **UNFCCC COP28 in Dubai, UAE** with two side events and one week exhibition organized in cooperation with other members from Europe and other regions.

December 9, 2023 - Sustainable lifestyles, Sufficiency Supporting Just Climate Action, Stronger NDCs. Organisers: INFORSE (lead), négaWatt, France; Fraunhofer ISI, Germany; SE, Denmark.

December 8, 2023 - 100% Renewable & Local Solutions: Africa,

South Asia & Local Climate Resilience and Poverty Reduction. Organisers: Global Ecovillage Network (GEN), INSEDA (INFORSE-South Asia), Nordic Folkecenter for Renewable energy, SusWatch Kenya.

Proceedings are available at: <https://www.inforse.org/cop28.php>

The exhibition was organized together with AIWC, India; Suswatch Kenya: INSEDA India; and SE Denmark.



INFORSE-Europe also participated at **UNFCCC SB58 in Bonn, Germany** with two side events in **June 2023**.

One with cooperation with other members from Europe and other regions, and one in cooperation with the FULFILL Project's partners. Proceedings are available at <https://www.inforse.org/SB58.php>



## FULFILL project continued



INFORSE-Europe's participation in the **FULFILL Project** continues. We gathered data on sustainable lifestyles characterized by the use of fewer resources in daily life. In this context, we and our project partners conducted interviews, online surveys and created workshops with citizen-driven initiatives from all over Denmark to learn about the results of these initiatives. In the project, we also analysed local initiatives for sufficiency including volunteer repair shops, car sharing clubs, cloth sharing shops, eco-villages. Further we analysed policies for more sustainable lifestyles including policies for bicycle paths, more plant-based food, and tiny houses.

As a part of the FULFILL project, we also co-organised an international citizens-science workshop (November 2023) at the Jacques Delors Institute in Paris, France. The workshop brought together citizens from 5 countries (including 5 persons from Denmark) where citizens discussed the sufficiency they wanted. INFORSE-Europe also participated in a project meeting and an expert meeting in Berlin in March 2024.

The FULFILL project is supported by **EU Horizon 2020 Program**. *The partners are: Fraunhofer ISI (lead) and Wuppertal Institute in Germany; Negawatt and Jacques Delors Institute in France, Eurac research and Politecnico Milan in Italy, Green Liberty in Latvia, and INFORSE-Europe in Denmark.*

More: <http://www.inforse.org/europe/FULFILL.htm>



## Information and debate about the EU in Denmark



In Denmark, INFORSE-Europe organized several debates and information activities on EU and sustainable energy together with the Danish INFORSE members. The activities were funded by a 3-year grant from Europa-Nævnet, which is a fund for information and debate on EU in Denmark in 2021-2023.

On June 18, 2023, INFORSE-Europe participated at the annual **People's Political Festival (Folkemødet)** on the island of Bornholm, where we organized a debate on the efforts and capabilities of the EU concerning sustainable consumption. In this context, our event included a debate with member of the European Parliament Niels Fuglsang (Social democrats) and active chair of the Danish SustainableEnergy, Kathrine Olldag.



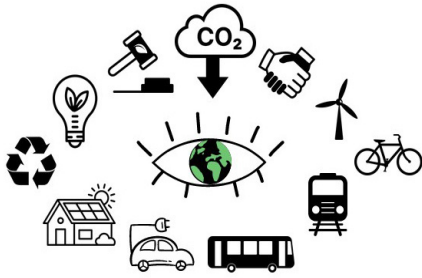
In addition to this event, INFORSE-Europe organized local events on **EU, climate and energy in 8 Danish towns**, in Copenhagen/Sundbyvester, Aarhus, Samsø, Hårlev, Roskilde, Esbjerg (energy people's meeting), Mørke, Høje Tåstrup.

To increase the knowledge on EU and climate and energy a **32-page publication "EU and the Green Transition"** was made in Danish. Each topics is covered in about 2 pages, and the respective pages can be used for relevant events.

More: <https://inforse.org/europe/europa-naevnet.htm>



## Better Green Deal - Nordic- Baltic, Belarus and Ukraine Project



INFORSE-Europe is working with CSOs on a joint project on Better Green Deal with CSO policy proposals, visions and scenarios for best mitigation policies for Nordic-Baltic Sea Countries, Belarus and Ukraine.

The partners of the NGO cooperation Project are INFORSE-Europe (coordinator), and INFORSE-Europe members: Norges Naturvernforbundet, Circular Economy in Lithuania, Latvian Green Movement, Ekokoncepcija in Lithuania representing civil society - Ecodome NGO in Belarus, Ecoaction in Ukraine, and AirClim in Sweden.

The project is funded by the Nordic Council of Ministers, Airclim and INFORSE-Europe.

More: [https://inforse.org/europe/Better\\_GreenDeal\\_Baltic\\_project.htm](https://inforse.org/europe/Better_GreenDeal_Baltic_project.htm)

## European Policies



### **Ecodesign and Standards for cleaner heating**

INFORSE-Europe staff worked with the European Environmental Coalition on Standards and the Coolproducts Campaign on EU ecodesign regulation, EU product energy labelling, and European standards to have higher efficiency and cleaner combustion of boilers and room heater, including wood stoves that have large potentials to become cleaner.

### **Phase out Fossil Heating**

INFORSE-Europe staff and members worked with European Environmental Bureau and the Coolproducts Campaign on an analysis of what subsidies are needed to change all European gas and oil heating to renewable energy with heat pumps and solar heating. This was presented in a webinar in September 2023 and in the report "Green Heat for All 2 – A re view of necessity and feasibility of a just and green heat transition"



### **European Sustainable Energy Week**

In June 2023, INFORSE-Europe participated with an exhibition at the **European Sustainable Energy Week**, dedicated to renewables and efficient energy use, as well as sufficiency, presenting activities of network activities and policies.

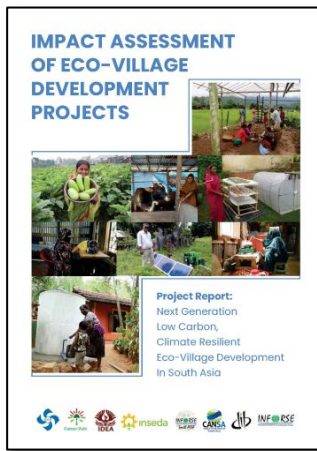
More on events: <https://inforse.org/europe/seminar.htm>



**The European CLEVER Scenario** was launched on June 5. 2023 in Brussels, Belgium. The Scenario is a result of cooperation of 24 national partners from 20 European countries. INFORSE-Europe participated with input from Denmark.

More: <https://inforse.org/europe/clever-scenario.htm> and <https://clever-energy-scenario.eu/>

## Cooperation with other INFORSE-regions



The INFORSE-Europe's Secretariat finished the 4<sup>th</sup> phase of the INFORSE cooperation project on Eco Village Development in South Asia.

The projects is led by DIB (Denmark) and now runs until end of 2023. The South Asian partners are: INFORSE South Asia members, and national focal points: INSEDA (India), IDEA (Sri Lanka), CRT (Nepal), Grameen Shakti in Bangladesh and CANSA. The final Project assessment was published and launched in December 2023.

The EVD Projects web site: [inforse.org/asia/EVD.htm](http://inforse.org/asia/EVD.htm)

The Project's publications are available from:

[https://inforse.org/asia/Publications\\_EcoVillageDevelopment\\_SouthAsia.htm](https://inforse.org/asia/Publications_EcoVillageDevelopment_SouthAsia.htm)

As part of the South Asia project and a previous East Africa project, two regional projects two online databases were established, and updated:

### 80+ Local Sustainable Solutions in East Africa

In Kenya, Uganda, Tanzania

[www.localsolutions.inforse.org](http://www.localsolutions.inforse.org)



<http://www.inforse.org/evd>

### 65+ Eco-Village Development solutions in South Asia

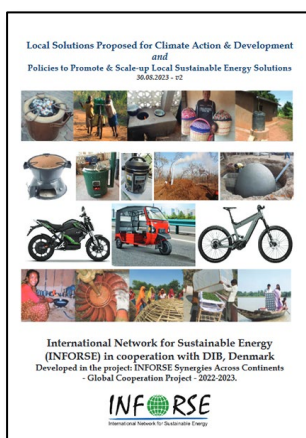
in Bangladesh, India, Nepal, Sri Lanka

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## INFORSE Synergy Cooperation Across Continents



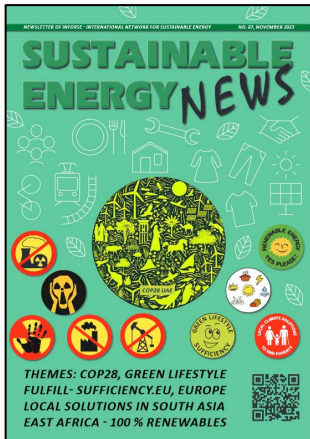
INFORSE-Europe cooperated together with the INFORSE regional coordinators in Africa, Latin America, and South Asia on the Project called "Synergies Across Continents" a Global INFORSE Cooperation Project. The Project's publication was launched in December 2023.

**The title of the Publication: Local Solutions Proposed for Climate Action & Development and Policies to Promote & Scale-up Local Sustainable Energy Solutions**

The 95-page Publication is available in **English, French, Spanish and Portuguese.**

Download them from <https://inforse.org/synergies.php>

## Outreach: Sustainable Energy News



**Newsletter:** With support from the projects, the No. 87 issue of Sustainable Energy News was published in November 2023. It includes news from the network, and projects of the members. The issue has a special theme on sufficiency.

The issue was printed in 1500 copies, mailed to 900 organisational receivers and distributed at UNFCCC COP28 in Dubai. The issue is available online as pdf, and a link to download it was sent to INFORSE's online contacts.

More: [https://inforse.org/s\\_e\\_news.php3](https://inforse.org/s_e_news.php3)

Direct download of the issue: <https://inforse.org/doc/SEN87.pdf>

## Outreach: Home page and Social Media

### Website

The website was updated with new events, activities, and projects as well as the online contact database.

[www.inforse.org/europe](http://www.inforse.org/europe) [www.inforse.org](http://www.inforse.org)

[www.inforse.org/asia](http://www.inforse.org/asia) [www.inforse.org/africa](http://www.inforse.org/africa)

[www.inforse.org/latinamerica](http://www.inforse.org/latinamerica) (in Spanish/English/Portuguese (new))

### Social Media:

The Facebook and twitter accounts were updated regularly.

[twitter.com/INFORSE\\_EU](https://twitter.com/INFORSE_EU) and [facebook.com/INFORSEEurope](https://facebook.com/INFORSEEurope)

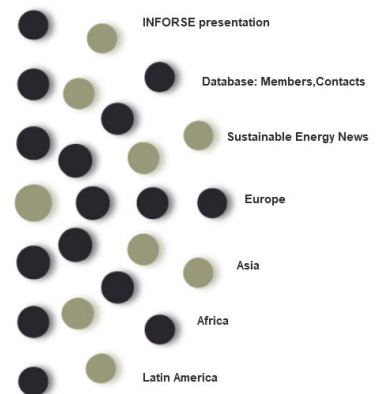
[facebook.com/INFORSE](https://facebook.com/INFORSE) and [twitter.com/INFORSE\\_org](https://twitter.com/INFORSE_org)

INFORSE has also a linkedin page, where we started to be active.

Updated by regional coordinators:

INFORSE South Asia has a facebook page

INFORSE East Africa has a twitter and facebook page.



## Organisational Development

At INFORSE-Europe's office we have had several volunteers, trainees, and students who contributed to the work during the year. A researcher for the FULFILL project joined us in this period. We also have got a new accountant. The INFORSE-Europe board and the Secretariat also prepared a Seminar and General Meeting in September 2024.