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KNOWLEDGE LEARNING ENVIRONMENT

EMPOWERING OSSs FOR COMMUNITY ENERGY

SPARKLE & SHINE OSS PLATFORM:

EMPOWERING OSSs FOR ENERGY COMMUNITIES

Lived experience: Poreč Sunny office

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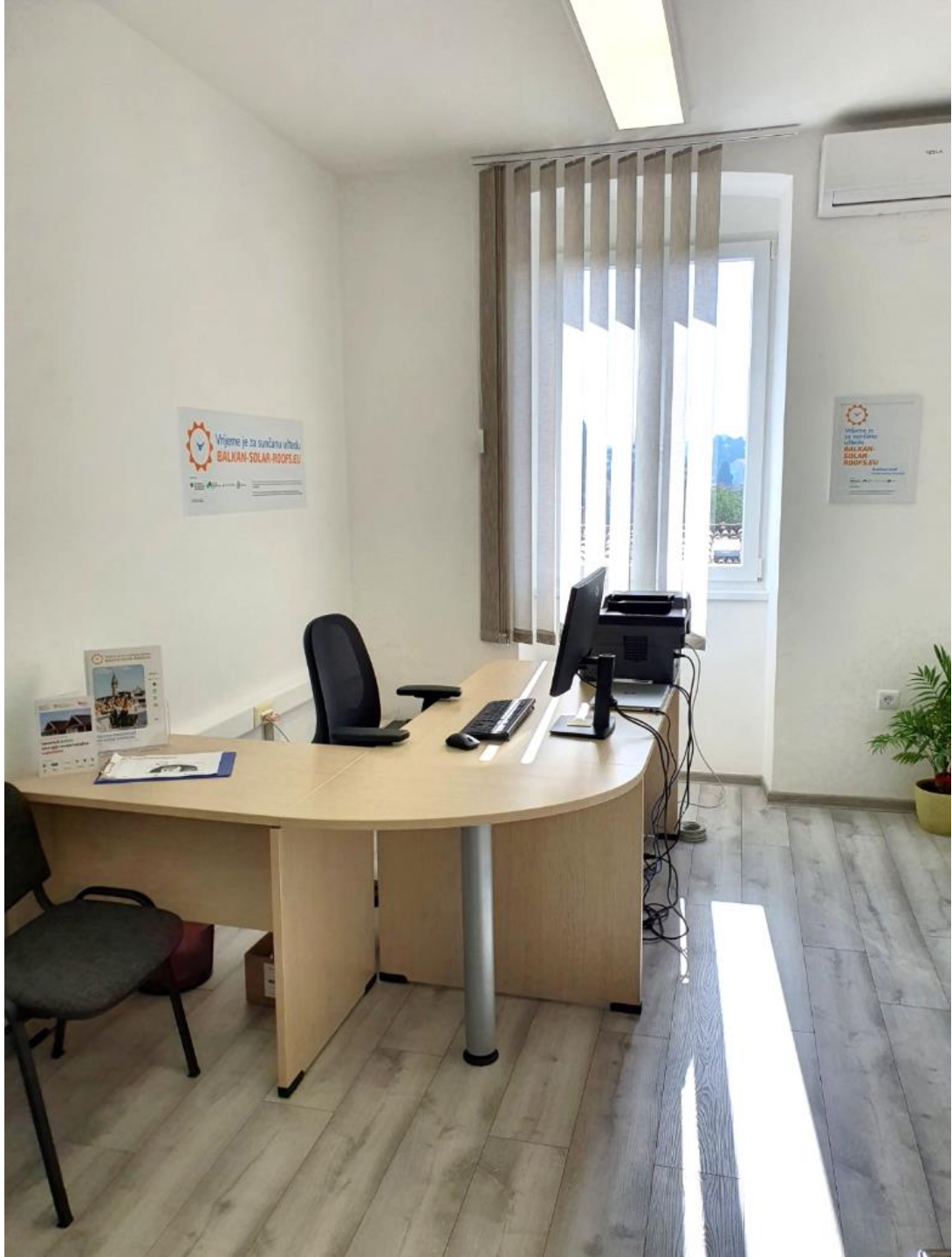
THE STARTING POINT

THE IDEA

Start with a place where people can simply ask.

Poreč Sunny Office

One office / one person can be a starting point



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City of Poreč-Parenzo opened
Poreč Sunny Office on February 3rd, 2023
a free one-stop-shop for citizens.

WHAT WE DO

From questions to local energy action

1 **ASK**
Bring a question.

2 **LEARN**
Get practical guidance.

3 **ACT**
Take the next step.

Poreč Sunny Office combines one-to-one information, technical support/advice and citizen learning.

Solar PV

Guidance on the possibility of using solar energy through a household PV plant.

Energy communities

Introducing citizens to the concept and helping them understand their role.

Energy-efficient renovation

Information and support around energy renovation of buildings.

Funding & workshops

Direct information on available local/regional/national co-financing, calls and useful workshops.



Citizen workshops create a space to learn together.

The goal is not only to inform — it is to empower citizens to become active participants in the energy transition and on the energy market.

WHAT WE HAVE LEARNED

Learning starts with the questions citizens ask

Poreč Sunny office and workshops taught us that a small, approachable entry point can unlock bigger participation.

LISTEN FIRST

Questions are not a barrier — they are a learning tool for both citizens and the person running the office.

KEEP IT PRACTICAL

People need clear answers, practical next steps and confidence to move from interest to action.

LEARN TOGETHER

A motivated person does not need to know everything at the start.
Learning grows through dialogue.

> **“When you start, you don’t need an expert, but a motivated person willing to learn. I’m grateful for all questions that help me learn.“**
>
> — Sabina Baranašić
> Poreč Sunny Office

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THE TAKEAWAY

START SMALL. THINK BIG.

You do not need a large team or a complex structure to begin.



ONE OFFICE

A visible, welcoming place

ONE MOTIVATED PERSON

Ready to learn and listen

CITIZENS

Questions, ideas and participation

GROWING ACTION

From advice to local energy projects

A small office can become a big bridge between citizens and the energy transition.

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''The one who doesn't want finds a reason, the one who wants finds a way''.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR ATTENTION!

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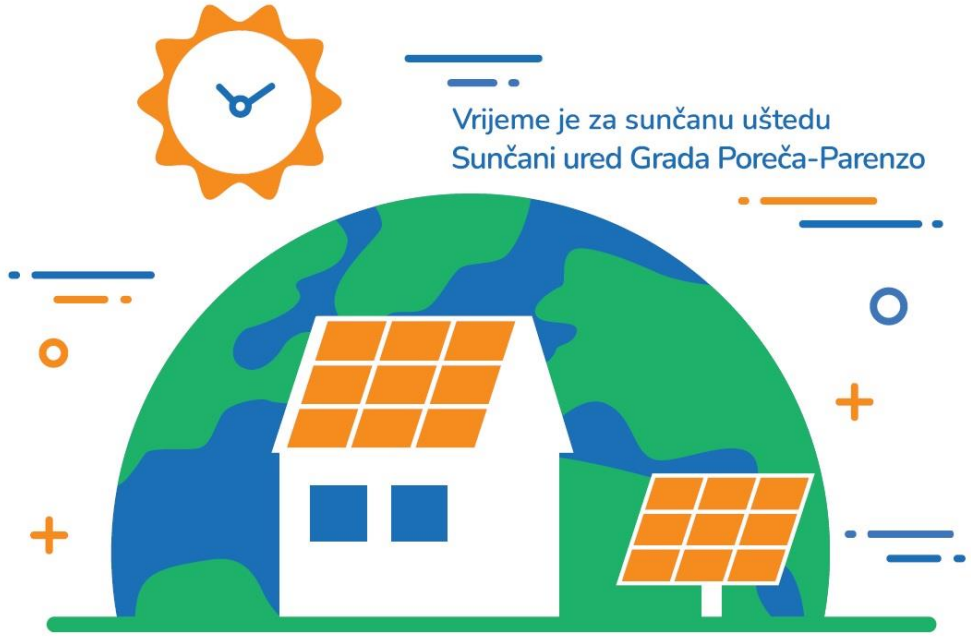
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