



## NEWSLETTER - MAY 2016

Latest news

### **READY project uses innovative photovoltaic modules developed by the Danish company RACell**



*By Max Blöchle, AIT Austrian Institute of Technology*

I had the chance to visit the factory and R&D site of RACell, Denmark-based innovative SME providing combined solutions for solar thermal and photovoltaic modules (PV modules) for the demonstrators in the READY project, which is funded by the European Union's Seventh Framework Programme for research, technological development and demonstration.

As I already have heard a lot about their products, I was eager to literally get my hands on their latest developments. We also used this opportunity to throw plenty of questions at the CEO of RACell, Yakov Safir, who responded patiently.

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## H2020 smart cities lighthouse projects: thinking much smarter in Eindhoven

By *Cordelia Wilson, SCIS*  
Eindhoven 23 May 2016:  
Battling through a surprisingly stormy day in May, 14 key lighthouse projects came together to share solutions and with the long-term ambition of creating a smarter cities marketplace.

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## Pact of Amsterdam: a new role for cities in EU policy making

The Dutch EU presidency launches the Pact of Amsterdam establishing an urban agenda for the EU. This shows important political recognition of the role of cities in the EU, providing a new framework for their involvement in developing and implementing European policy.

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## Call for more sustainable cities at the 2016 EIP-SCC General Assembly

On 24th May 2016 the annual General Assembly of the European Innovation Partnership on Smart Cities and Communities took place in Eindhoven. The assembly attracted over 500 registered participants from across all sectors of the EIP.

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## Register for the EU Sustainable Energy Week: 13-17 June

We are two weeks away from the European Sustainable Energy Week (EUSEW) taking place in Brussels between 13 and 17 June. The event involves a month-long series of activities to build a secure energy future for Europe.

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## Energy days 2016: the energy transition is going local

Citizens and stakeholders are organising European Union Energy Days in June to activate the transition to secure, clean and efficient energy. Held as part of EUSEW, presentations, workshops, conferences, etc. will spread the word about energy-efficiency.

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## Participate in the 2016 World Smart City Awards

The World Smart City Awards will take place as part of the 2016 SCEWC in Barcelona. Their aim is promote and support innovative solutions or strategies that can change citizens' lives by increasing efficiency, generating business and improving quality of life.

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### Events

## Metropolitan Solutions

31 May - 2 June  
Berlin, Germany

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## European Sustainable Cities Summit

1 - 2 June 2016  
Brussels, Belgium

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## Amsterdam Smart City Event 2016

7 - 10 June 2016  
Amsterdam, the Netherlands

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## EU Sustainable Energy Week

13 - 17 June  
Brussels, Belgium

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## Greeg Digital Charter Workshop

16 June  
Brussels, Belgium

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## Central and Eastern European Energy Efficiency (C4E) Forum

22 - 24 June  
Balchik, Bulgaria

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**Projects**

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## GEOCOM

The GEOCOM project was launched in 2010 with a vision to increase the visibility of direct heat applications of geothermal energy throughout Europe. Demonstration actions, including geothermal district heating system development, integration of geothermal heating with other renewable energy sources (RES) and energy efficiency measures are implemented at three demonstration sites in Hungary, Italy and Slovakia.

*Visit the project's website..*

## CELSIUS Talk: CELSIUS Toolbox Launch

CELSIUS makes its wiki toolbox available to CELSIUS member cities. Here is an introduction to the CELSIUS Toolbox information and the official launch | CELSIUS collaborates throughout the whole spectrum of planning, implementing and optimising new and existing smart infrastructure solutions for heating and cooling.

*Watch the video...*

*Visit the project's website...*

## From the community



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#PactofAmsterdam is just accepted during informal meeting on #EUUrbanAgenda! See: [http://eu16.nl/PactOfAmsterdam\\_Note ...](http://eu16.nl/PactOfAmsterdam_Note...)



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How effective are #EU #energyefficiency policies ? Join our webinar on June 2nd at 15:00 CET <http://bit.ly/25j5AOG>

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