



ENergies for Local Administrations
to Renovate Governance in Europe

In loving memory of prof. Luigi Bobbio, who devoted his life to produce “usable knowledge” as a way to achieve better policies, more democracy and even better citizens.

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The focus:



Collaborative processes



More effective policy outcomes

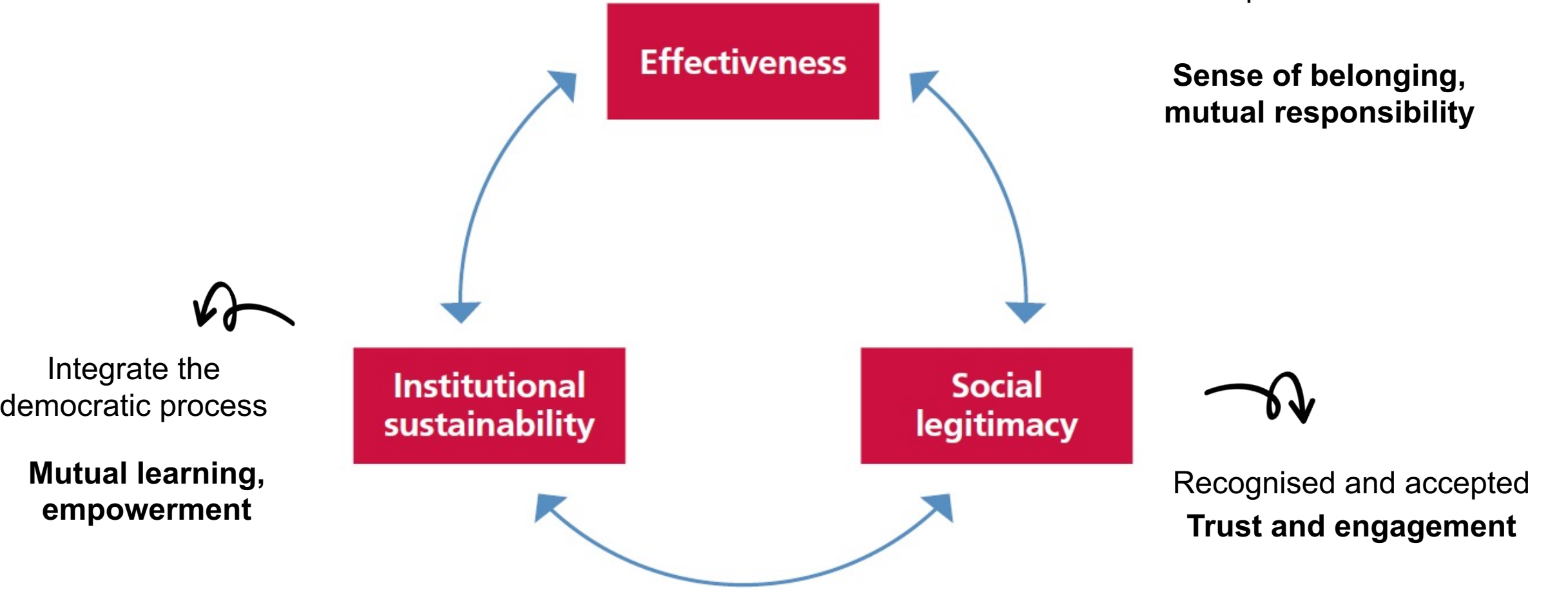


31 **case studies** of successful sustainable energy policies using **cooperation** in design or implementation phase.



Goals, tools, mechanisms, and effects

Collaborative processes that works:



What we learned:

Recurrent **mechanisms** explain the success of the experiences we analysed



Mutual learning, bandwagon, sense of belonging, trust...

A range of **policy tools** trigger those mechanisms



Professional expertise, proper feedbacks, intersectoral working groups, deliberative commissions, grants and bonuses, participatory evaluation groups..

Contexts matter



Narrow or wide policy audience?
Conflicts or indifference?
How many innovators?

The ENLARGE gamebook

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As it often occurs, our story begins with a conflict

'E.' is a small town situated in a hilly region. The district consists of an 'upland' area, characterised by a historic centre and a combination of residential buildings and commercial activities, and an area of 'lowland', located on more level ground, composed of a variety of residential, commercial and manufacturing buildings.

The territory of the borough also comprises two other areas that are in disuse: a hill, located a few kilometres away from the residential areas, which is the site of a disused mine that has been closed for several decades, and an area of flat land, on the confines of the commercial and manufacturing district, which was used as a military training area for a long period, but has been in disuse for several years.

Overall, the territory of the borough is renowned worldwide for the excellence of some of its agri-food products, its landscape and historic centre. Every year the region attracts a consistent stream of tourists. As well as its agricultural potential, the borough is also the headquarters of a large chemical company and of a number of small- and medium-sized companies that process agri-food products, all of which are in the flatter region of the borough.

During the last election, a new administration came to power and decided to promote a new, medium-term energy efficiency plan, including reduction of energy consumption, through a regional tender for the co-financing of energy refurbishment of the area under the European Union Structural and

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