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## **SEREH – Smart Energy Region Emmen-Haren**

The SEREH project is initiated by the Municipality of Emmen (Netherlands) and the city of Haren (Germany), and aims to create the preconditions for the realization of a decentralized, cross-border and sustainable energy market. With a cross-border connection at distribution grid level, the demand and supply of sustainable electricity can be better matched at the regional level – a unique project in Europe.

The complexity of energy markets and energy legislation at national level in Germany and the Netherlands and at EU level presents particular challenges to physically realize a cross-border energy region. SEREH's objectives are therefore designed to accelerate a cross-border local energy market from technological, economic, and legal perspectives.

GCEL is leading the legislative work package within the SEREH project by addressing the legal framework for a cross-border local energy market. Legal topics which are addressed are, amongst others, the international, EU and national legal frameworks on the energy sector and specifically on the development of renewable energy projects, the construction of cross-border connections at distribution grid level, storage, and also the role of consumers and possible participation models.

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