Regulatory framework on Prosumers in Contracting Parties

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The main purpose of the study was to assess legislative and regulatory framework related to small scale solar PV systems installed for generation of electricity (self consumption) also known as prosumers, mainly for households and small commercial customers.
• Legal framework - definitions on:
  • Self consumption Generators
  • Prosumers
  • Procedures that deals with prosumers
  • Support schemes in Contracting Parties
  • Capacity limitation of generators
  • Voltage Level of connection
  • Application procedure for prosumer status
  • Information's on the benefit of changing status from regular consumer to producer
Legal definition

• Most of the CP have the definition established in primary and secondary legislation for **Self Consumption Generator** and for **prosumer**.

• **Self Consumption Generator**- Final customer that generates electricity from renewable energy sources and shall have a right to exchange electricity that it delivers to the system and takes from the distribution system.

• **Prosumer**-Is an electricity customer who is at same time and at the same site the owner of a Micro RES generating facility, connected to the grid and having right to self-consume the generated electricity as well as to deliver the excess of generated electricity to the supplier.

• In some of the CP introduces the definition of Autonomous Generators instead of prosumers or self- consumption generators.

• None of the CP has separate procedure that deals exclusively with prosumers- incorporated in other procedures.
Self consumption - Support schemes

**Net metering**

**Net billing**

**Net-metering** is a simple arrangement that ensures consumers that who install a generator (usually photovoltaic (PV) systems) receive a one-for-one credit for any electricity their systems generate and export to the grid within a billing period. In this case, production and consumption are compensated over a longer period (up to one year). Under Net-metering, all kWh of the generator are equally valorized.

**Net-billing** is an arrangement by which the consumer receives one-for-one monetary credits for every kWh of exported to the grid. Every kWh is valorized either at a single price or at a price which corresponds to the time of production. Credits are awarded over a determined time-frame, typically one year. It is equivalent to a net-metering scheme, but with monetary compensation instead of energy compensation.
Prosumers - RES generating facilities

- Lower and Upper limit of capacity for RES generating facility allowed for household and small commercial consumer-Prosumers

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Total installed capacity in kW

Installed capacity at Medium and Low Voltage

- Installed capacity at low V
- Installed capacity at medium voltage

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Application for Prosumer status

• In all CP and observer countries except Kosovo and BIH customers have to apply in DSO;
• No licensing requirements;
• Connection agreement - DSO and customer;
• Supply agreement - Supplier and customer;
Information's on the benefit of changing status from regular consumer to producer

- Most NRA have all information's available on their website and are **publicly accessible**
- There was no campaign on informing customers for the possibility of switching from regular consumers to producer consumers
Legal framework in Kosovo

• Rule on support scheme for renewable energy sources generators
• Rule on authorization of building new capacities

Rule on support scheme for renewable energy sources generators

• **Prosumer** - is an electricity customer who is at same time and at the same site the owner of a Micro RES generating facility, connected to the grid and having right to self-consume the generated electricity as well as to deliver the excess of generated electricity to the supplier;

• **Self-consumption Generators** – are the Prosumers who are able to feed excess electricity generation to the grid for future consumption or pay to the supplier the electricity consumed in case of a negative Balance;

• **Micro RES Generating Facility** – means a Generating Facility connected to the network with a capacity up to 100 kW (≤100 kW);
Rule on support scheme for renewable energy sources generators

Max allowed capacity for prosumers in support scheme is **100 kW**

Net-metering is a simple arrangement that ensures consumers that who install a generator (usually photovoltaic (PV) systems) receive a one-for-one credit for any electricity their systems generate and export to the grid within a billing period.

RES generators not submitted to the Support Scheme, can chose to sell their energy according to the Regulated Framework, with the following conditions:

- With a Price approved by Regulator,
- They will have the dispatching priority, and
- Priority in the connections' assessment.
The Self-consumption Support Scheme

- **Net-Metering scheme**

- Suppliers off-take all electricity produced and deliver all electricity consumed by Prosumers within a Billing Period;

- Suppliers account for the Prosumer Balance of the Billing Period, based on which the monthly invoice is prepared;

- If the Prosumer Balance is positive then the Prosumer is credited in energy (kWh) in the next Billing Period;

- Any outstanding positive Balance on the last Billing Period of a Calendar Year is reset to zero (0 kWh) without compensation from the Supplier;

- If the Prosumer Balance is negative, then the Supplier invoices the Prosumer for the value of the Prosumer Balance
Rule on authorization of building new capacities

Application Procedure

The legal or physical body which plans to construction new generation capacities for self-consumption is obliged to submit a written request to the Regulator, fulfilling the following evidence.

• The evidence that shall be submitted are:

  – Evidence from DSO on annual energy consumption;
  – Evaluation on annual kWh production of installed equipment;
  – Consent for connection to the grid, issued by DSO; and
  – Consent from the relevant municipality.

• Following the receipt of relevant evidence, and if the Regulator evaluates that they are completed, it shall issue a decision related to construction of new generation capacities for self-consumption
## SMALL-SCALE GENERATORS

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### Installed Capacity (kW)

In case of combined generation with conventional fuels, only the capacity RES shall be presented

### Expected Annual Production (kWh)

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Signature
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- **Emri (emri i prindit) mbimi** personit fizik/juridik:
- **Numri personal i ID:**
- **Numri biznesit (nëse person juridik):**
- **Shifra Konsumatorit (nese ekziston):**
- **Adresa:**
- **Nr. telefonit:**
- **E-mail adresa:**

**PERFAQESUESI I AUTORIZUAR (Nëse ka)**
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- **Emri kompanisë (nëse ka):**
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