EKoenergy - the international ecolabel

EKoenergy is the international ecolabel for electricity. Electricity sold with the EKOenergy label fulfills strict environmental criteria and raises funds for new renewable energy projects. The label is a not-for-profit initiative of the EKOenergy Network, a group of more than 40 environmental organisations from 30 countries. EKOenergy is recommended by the Greenhouse Gas Protocol and by the USGBC to use for LEED certification of buildings.

**The EKOenergy label**

**Guarantees 100% renewable energy**
Only electricity from renewable sources can be sold as EKOenergy.

**Assures sustainable & nature friendly energy**
EKoenergy applies strict sustainability requirements to the power production. Non-European biomass is excluded and hydropower can only be sold as EKOenergy after consultation with local environmental organisations.

**Contributes to new renewable energy projects**
Through the Climate Fund, EKOenergy contributes to financing new renewable energy projects in developing countries.

**Why EKOenergy**

The purchase of EKOenergy is a way to go one step further. International carbon footprinting standards as Greenhouse Gas Protocol and CDP encourage companies to do more than “buying green electricity”. They promote the EKOenergy Climate Fund as a good tool to ensure that buying green electricity leads to additional investments in renewable energy.

**EKOenergy for LEED certification of green buildings**

Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design - LEED is a rating system for green buildings. LEED recommends using EKOenergy labelled electricity for LEED certification.

**How to sell EKOenergy?**

Licensed suppliers can market the EKOenergy label towards electricity consumers. The license agreement regulates the supplier’s responsibility to collect the fees for the funds, based on the volume of EKOenergy sold. ECOHZ can handle payment and auditing for suppliers.
Corporate social responsibility

International customers can prove their commitment to social responsibility through the main elements of EKOenergy. By using EKOenergy labelled electricity the company stimulates the development of the renewable electricity sector and promotes climate friendly solutions through the Climate and Environmental Fund.

The Climate Fund is used to finance renewable energy projects in developing countries. In the case of hydropower, the supplier also pays a donation to the Environmental Fund, which is used to fund river restoration projects.

Do you prefer that ‘the contributions’ go to a specific project? EKOenergy can support Climate and river restoration projects in direct cooperation with providers of EKOenergy.

The Climate Fund: Installing solar panels on a school in Northern Tanzania

Environmental Fund: Volunteers helping on a river restoration project in Finland

Read more about the Climate Fund [here](#)

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