



# Sustainable Places Conference: MAESHA

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Demonstration of smart and flexible solutions for a decarbonised energy future in Mayotte and other European islands

# Decarbonizing Islands: MAESHA Project



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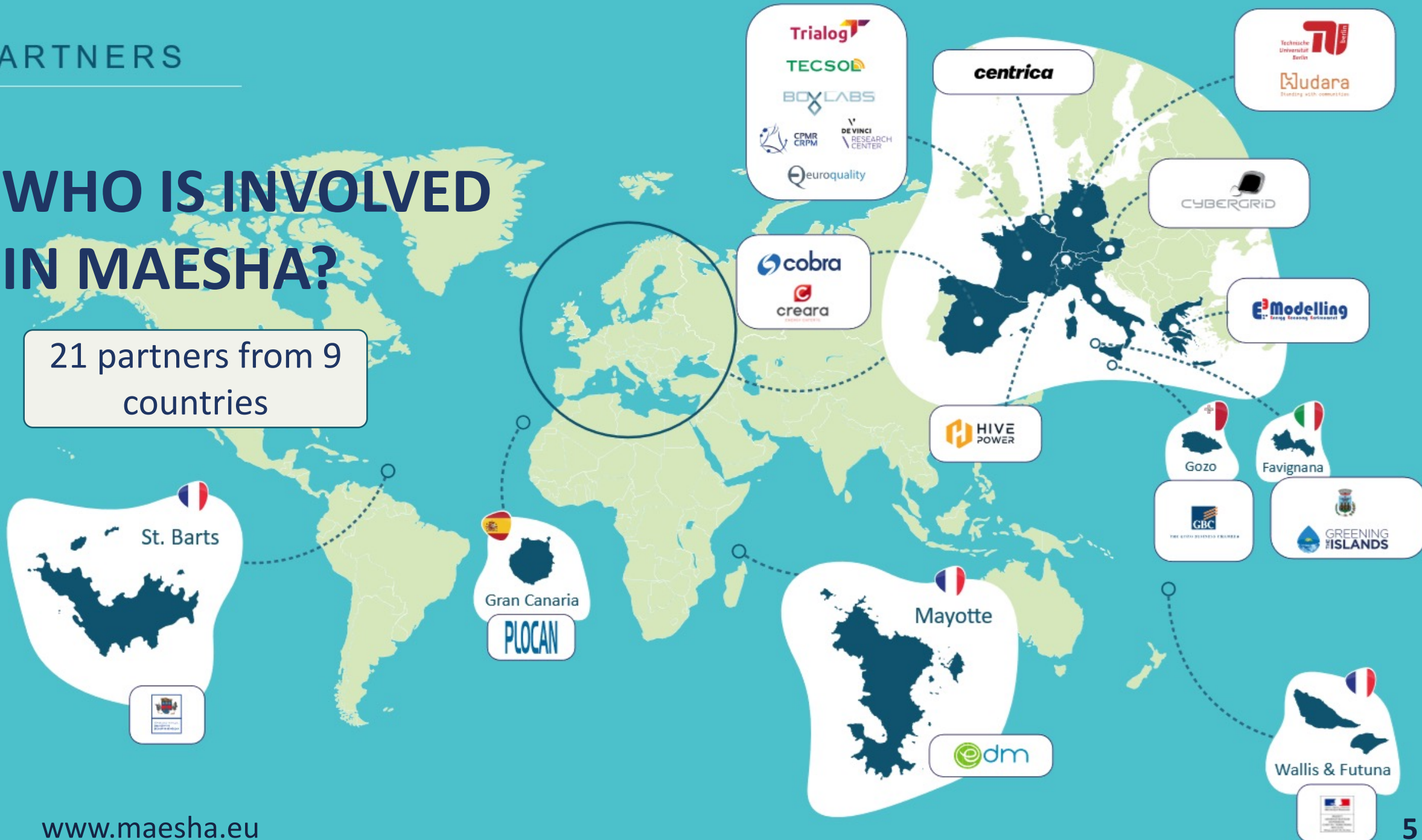
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## WHO IS INVOLVED IN MAESHA?

21 partners from 9  
countries





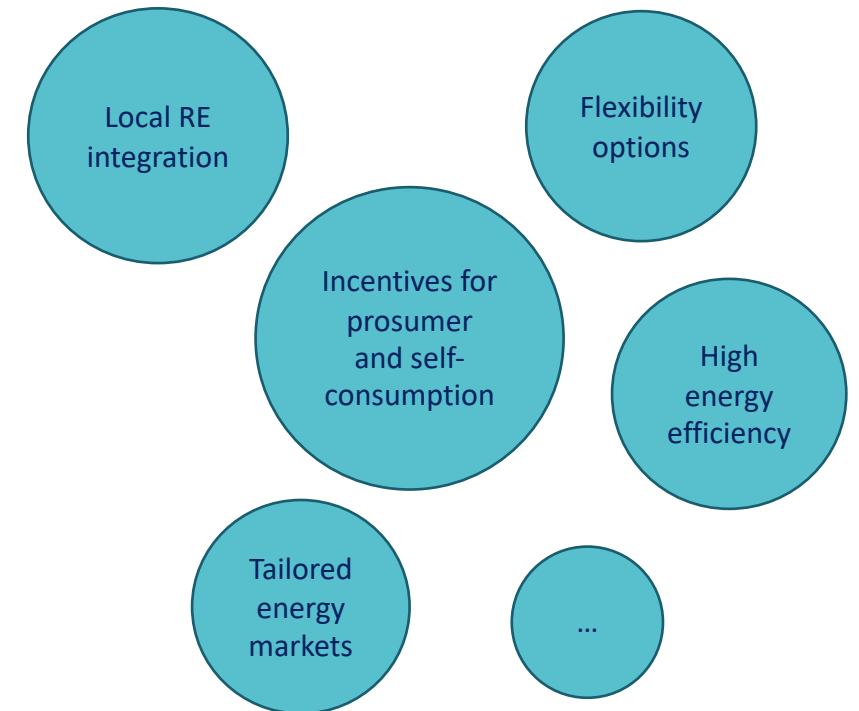
# Introduction

Our European islands face serious threats and great challenges today...



MAESHA  
– “future” in Shimaore –  
has just become present!

A sustainable transition of the energy system is required to increase resilience of our most vulnerable fellow people!



# Main objective: Decarbonizing the energy system of Mayotte and other European islands

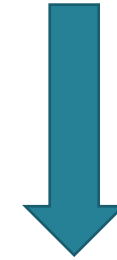
## DEMONSTRATION IN MAYOTTE (FR)

Enable the large-scale deployment of RES

Installing tailored innovative flexibility services

Studying and modelling local energy systems and community structures

Ensure the wide replicability of the solution



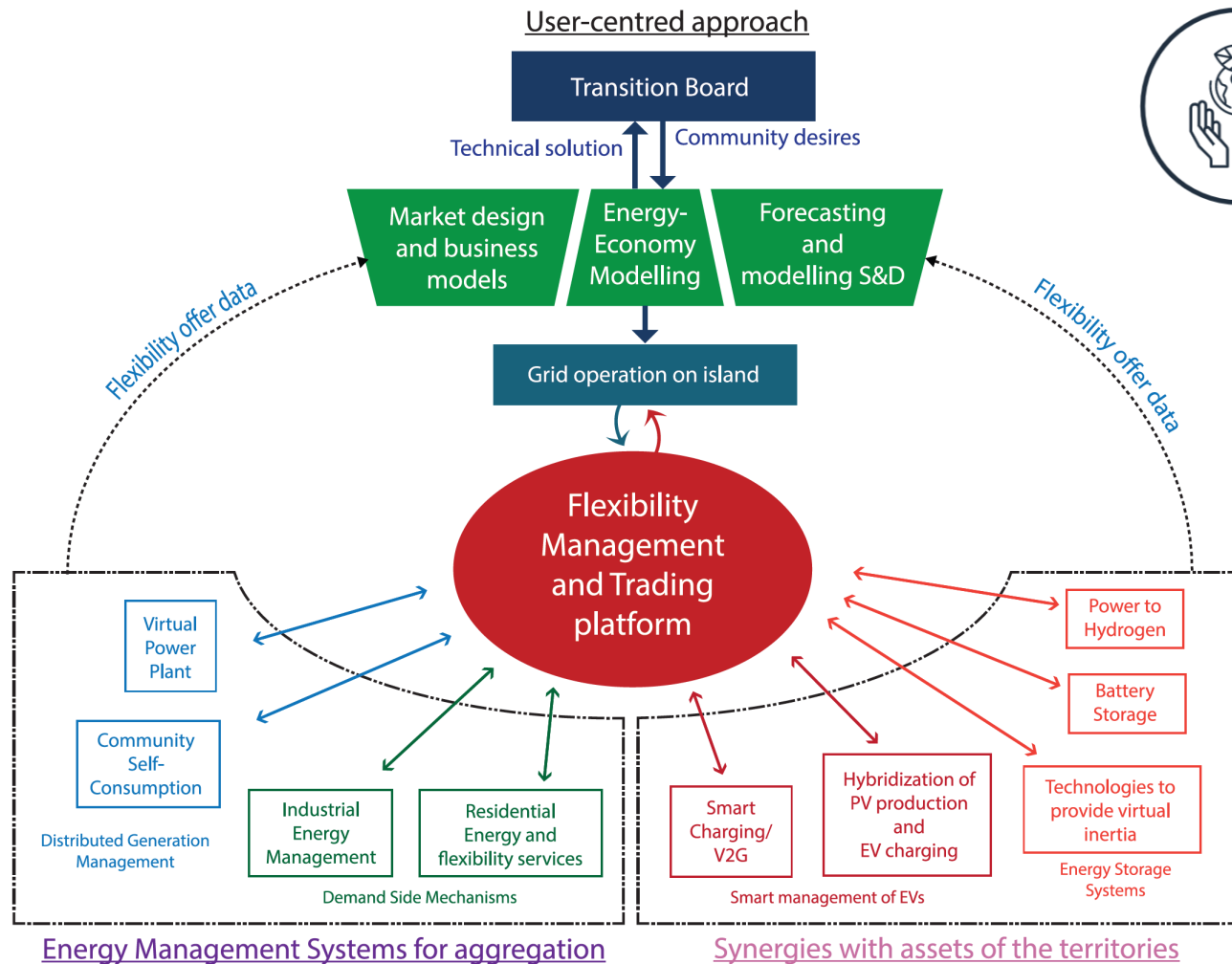
## REPLICATION SITES



> 1.2 M island inhabitants



# Overall Approach



Involvement of local communities



Tailored energy markets and regulatory frameworks



Smart platform aggregating flexibility services

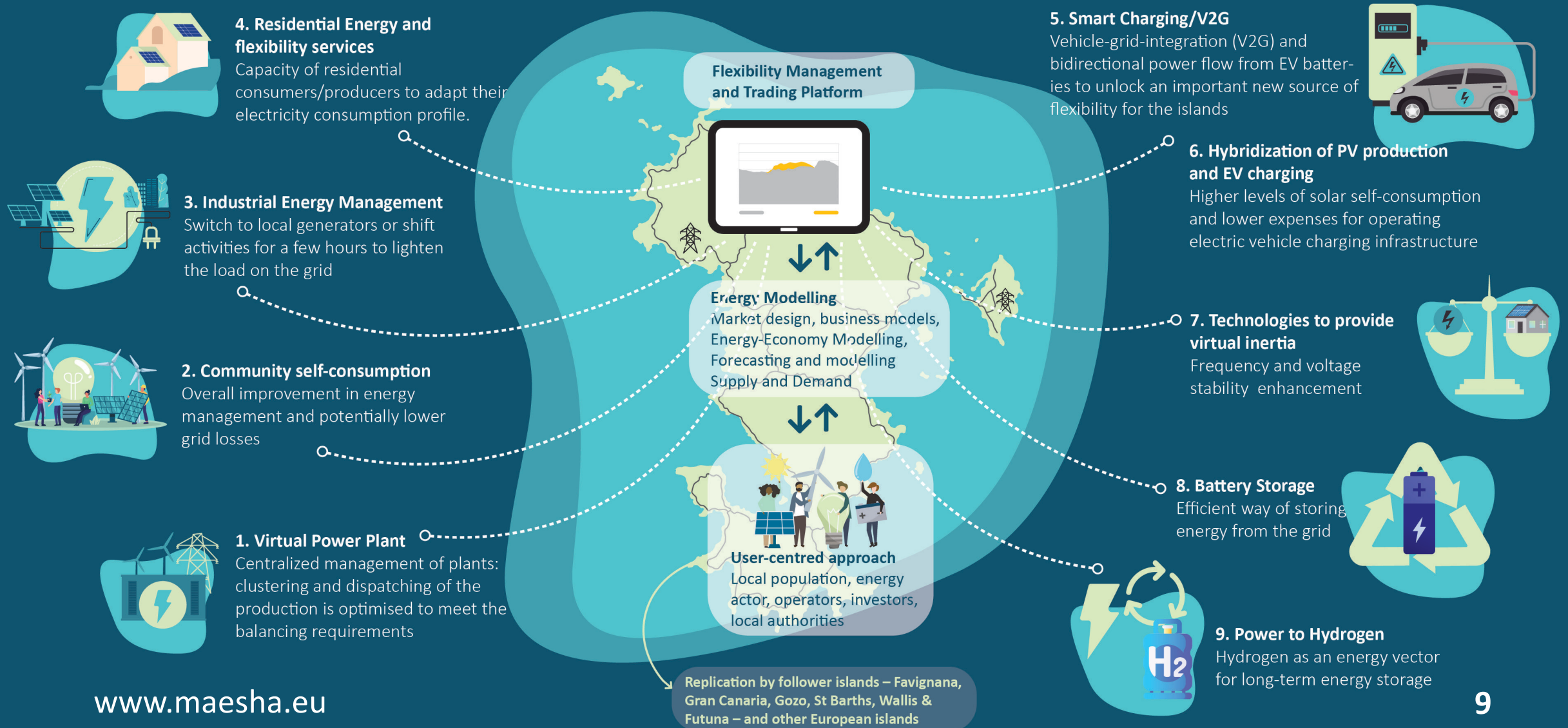


Demonstration of solution and study of replicability





# Multi-axis approach



# Impacts

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- 1 Significant reduction of fossil fuel consumption
- 2 Creation of local renewable energy communities
- 3 Enhancement of the stability of the power grid
- 4 Improvement of air quality, local economy, society and environment

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