













Energy monitoring with Consometers collective and Free Software: together we go further!

Background to the project



Objectives





Develop and document



With Free and Open-source Software!



A range of tools for visualising energy and ecological transition data



Methods facilitating their appropriation by the actors of the territory (citizens, communities, economic actors)



Remember, back in 2018, with



• The four freedoms:



i.e « Cooperation > Competition »

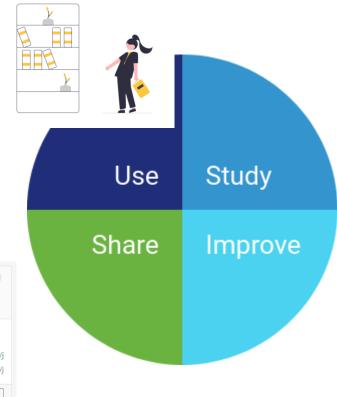


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Grand défi software







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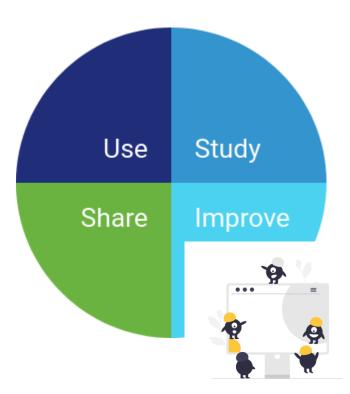
https://github.com/consometers



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Community contributed back! 2 organisations proposed corrections and improvements to our software,







Improve

Working together to access smartmeter data!





Hard to use at 100 %:

- √ Data 1
- Data 2
- Data 3





Better data coverage:

- √ Data 1
- √ Data 2
- ✓ Data 3

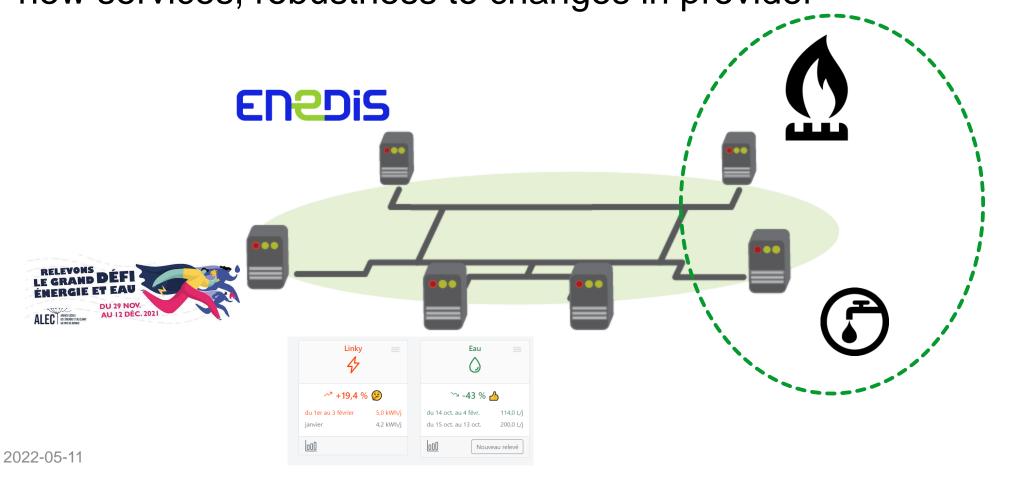
Ability to share a single access contract, between partners

Federation = other data providers will be easier to implement



Improve

 Federation = easier access to new data providers, easier entry for new services, robustness to changes in provider



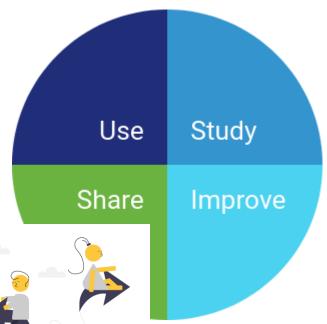


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Use

SEN's tools are used in other products Those products are also released as Free Software!









Share - VisoConso software

In 2021, procurement procedure by **Local Energy Agency of Rennes**:

- Request for free and open-source licensing of the product
- Work from scratch with an IT company to develop the software
- SEN is involved as Assitant to Contracting Authority, and also provides data access

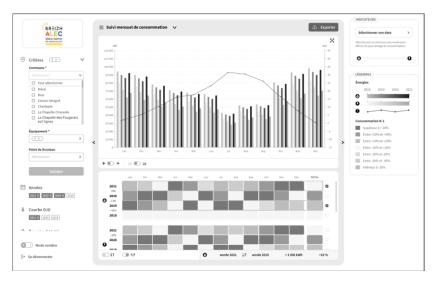
The needs to be addressed are:

- Access to energy data for municipalities, linked to weather data
- Long-term energy monitoring of their estate
- Third-party access to provide counsel and guidance
- Local and Regional aggregation of data, for coordination with regional actions

VISOCONSO will be completed **this spring** and will be duplicable in any place thanks to its **free software licence**!

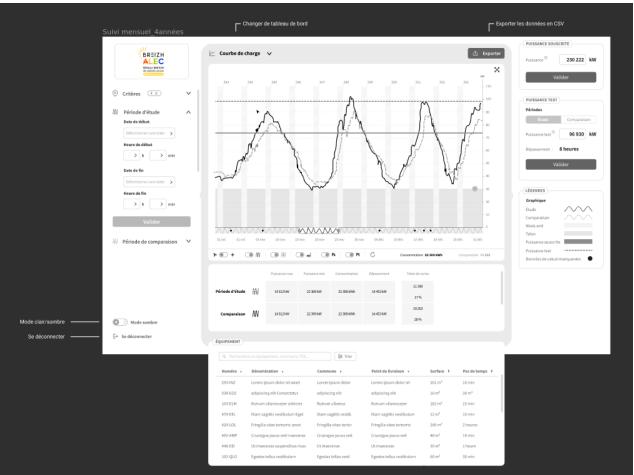


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Heatmaps, yearly to hourly consumption data, Peak power analysis...







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Why Free Software?

- Freedom of use, now and in the future
- No vendor lock-in, ability to retrieve data and to change provider as needed
- Ability to pool resources with other actors and lower the overall cost of providing the service
- Evolutions to the software will be made in a transparent way







2020: The project was conceived during a DataMix hackathon

A REMIX ?

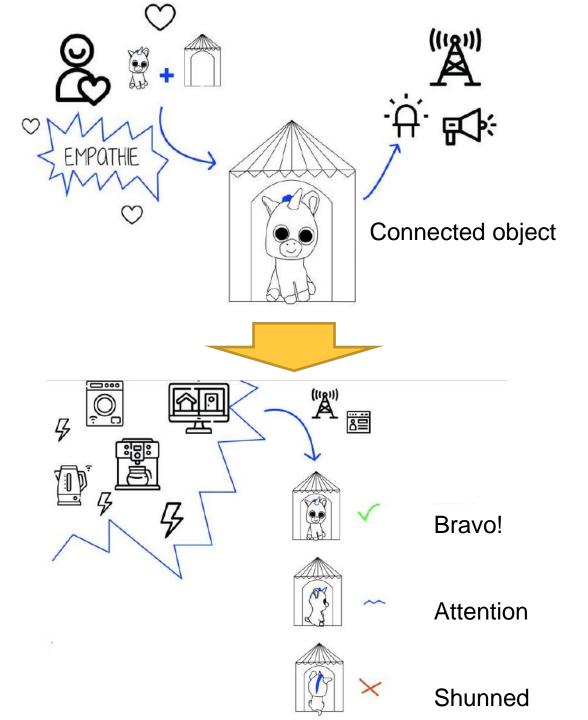
- A 3 days event
- participants with really different skills working together on the same issue.
- concretes and tangibles prototypes are created at the end of the 3 days,
- thanks to the use of machines such as 3D printers or laser cutters.

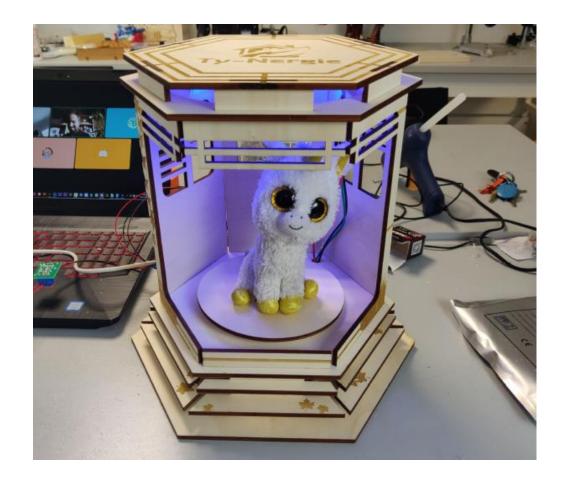
An example here: https://www.flickr.com/photos/association-bug/sets/72177720297594589/

Our question: "kWh" do not "speak" to the public → how to show them their consumption in a different way

the Prototype aims to measure and make tangible, the electrical consumption of a family, through a connected object with EMOTION, FUN and SENSITIVITY

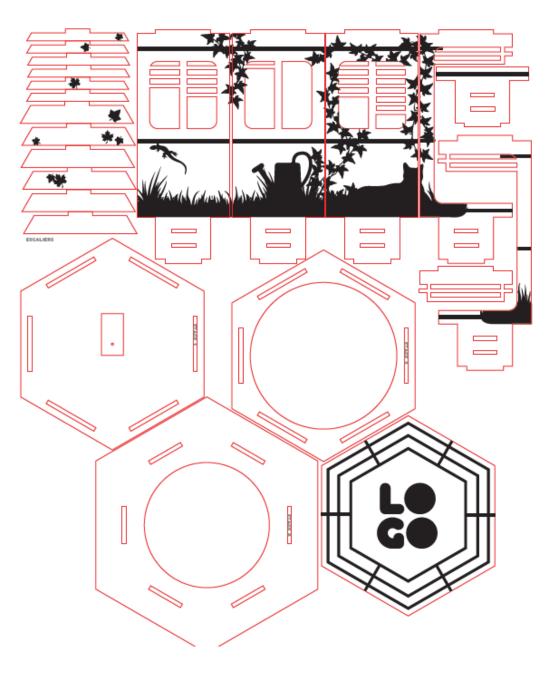
→ Creating affect and empathy



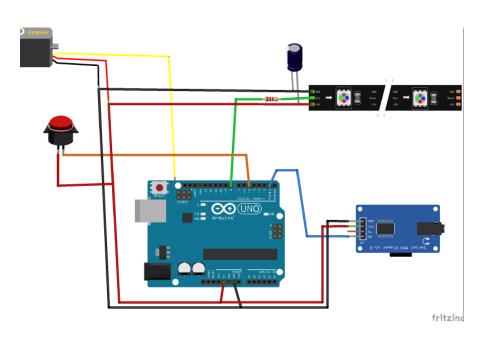


the doudou house recovers data from the linky meter thanks to a local radio transmitter.

If your consumption is correct, the doudou faces you with a green light and a nice music, if not, it turns its back to you with a red light and a disgruntled sound



house plans file for the laser cutter



the electrical network plan



use of 3D software to imagine the house

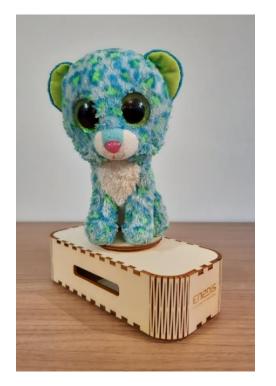




2021: The project continue with some people and partners







A new simpler and more sober version (with less wood) is created and tested with 5 families participating in the great energy challenge

Families assemble their own object during very popular workshops

Requirements:

the teddy bear Consumption requires a **WiFi** network and a **Linky meter.**

Electricity consumption data are collected via the Linky and an ERL module (Local Radio Emitter).

These data are sent to a **platform**, before being used by the internet connection of the teddy bear Consumption card, in the form of **API** (data interpretable by an object). The configuration of the installation is done very simply through a smartphone (iOS or Android).

Equipment:

An ERL module, in order to capture the data in the current form of the Ptit Doudou Conso;

For the Petit Doudou Conso:

ESP8266 - NodeMCU;

The laser cut box \rightarrow

Prototyping cable (Dupont) Male - Female;

3 NeoPixel LEDs (from an ADA1376 ribbon);

ServoMotor (Emax);

Micro-USB cable (with or without On / Off switch);

Set of M3 Nylon screws with hexagonal head.

Some tools will be needed to assemble the Ptit Doudou Conso:

Wood glue;

Soldering iron and tin;

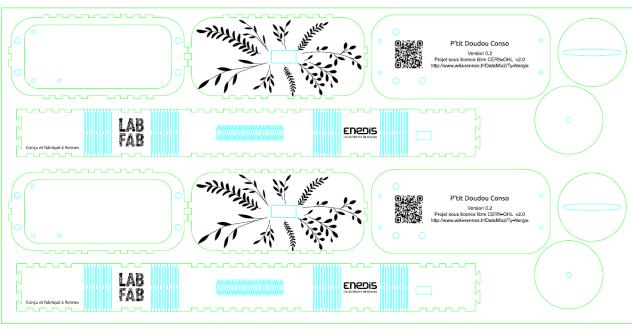
Hot glue;

Screwdrivers (small);

Cutting pliers;

Velcro (to attach the comforter to the articulated object).





the little teddy bear project energy consu



2022: The project continues with more and more partners and experimenters. And students from a computer science school

1/ april: partners meeting: Epitech school, Enedis, Rennes and Lorient cities.







2/ may: 1 day of "ideation work" with students and creation of a 3rd prototype improved following feedback from families



3/ autumn : use of the prototype with families working in Lorient city administration as part of an ISO 50001 approach :

For organizations committed to reducing their climate impact, conserving resources and improving their bottom line through effective energy management



<u>Improvements for the P'tit doudou:</u>

- It changed state too often (color and position)
- Difficulties to correlate the teddy's movements with the consumption of the household
- If the wifi connection have gaps in the transmission of information its reaction was not adapted.
- The rotation is limited to only 90 ° against the 180 ° provided
- Implementation of an average value and a step of 10 min for the monitoring of consos
- -The noise of the servo motor can be surprising when it starts to turn the teddy.
- A major constraint of the proximity of the ICT with the Wifi which conditions the good functioning of the system.
- Provide a device for holding the teddy box to avoid tinkering afterwards.
- Proposal from ALEC: to go further by developing a platform that would allow to follow one's data, to modify one's objectives, to see how many times one has been in the red.
- → Maybe with the federation's plateforms and frees softwares





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