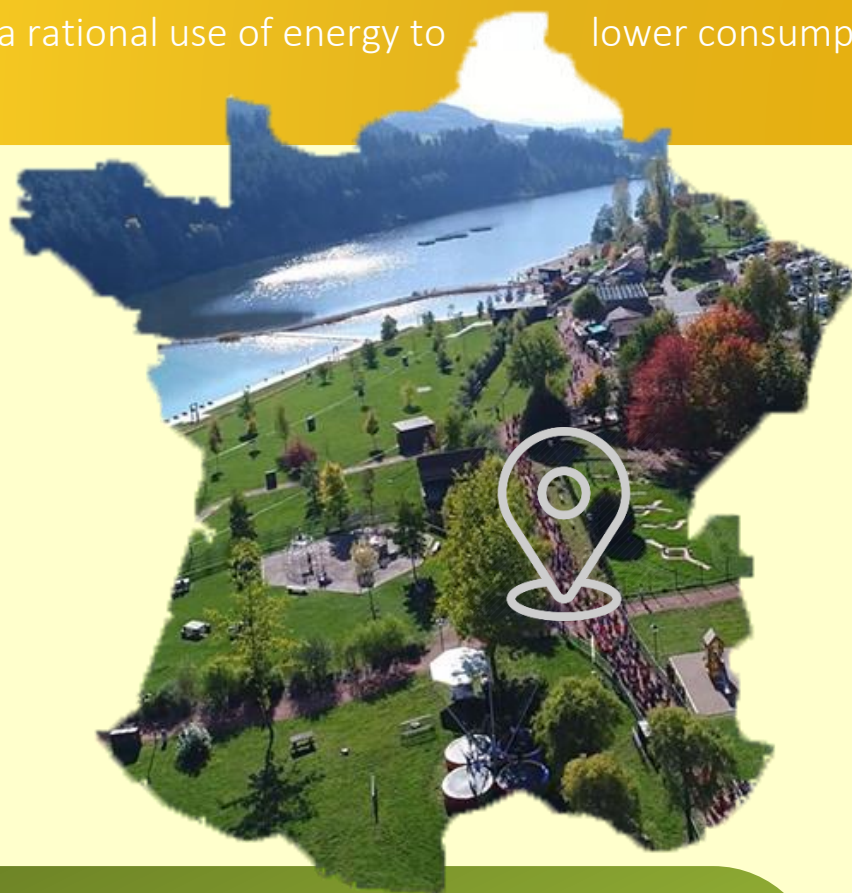


# ASSOCIATION OF COMMUNITIES OF THE OUEST RHODANIEN



## Territorial Energy Strategy

The association of Communities of the Ouest Rhodanien (C-OR) gathers 34 villages in the central mountain range of France and got committed to the energy transition over 10 years ago, with a 1<sup>st</sup> voluntary *Climate, Air, Energy Action Plan*. The plan was revised and reconducted in 2017 with the ambition to make the C-OR a positive energy territory by 2050, through the production of local renewable energy (mainly from biomass and solar) and a rational use of energy to lower consumptions.



## Promotion of biomass as energy source

The C-OR territory is covered by a dense forest and agricultural lands, which makes biomass a very important local resource to answer to different needs. The C-OR manages a public-private renovation platform to optimize renovation work and the use of local materials. In addition, heat networks using wood pellets are in use and an anaerobic digester plant is in project with a group of farmers.

## Alternatives to the individual car

Mobility is an important source of precariousness as the cost of an individual car is high and getting higher due to fuel cost rises. The C-OR developed a carsharing system, so citizens can share securely their car to one another, limiting the number of cars on the road, the pollution and offering to less advantaged citizens a new way to travel, go to work, etc. In addition, the local carpooling system "Covoit' Ici" is being tested.

