

## A rural citizens' cooperative brings gigabit connectivity to the Bavarian municipality of Senden

In the rural Bavarian municipality of Senden, in Germany, citizens formed a cooperative in order to create and invest in their own high-speed broadband network. By teaming up with the local administration and securing investment from telecommunications company Deutsche Glasfaser, they brought 1 Gbps Fibre-to-the-Home (FTTH) connectivity to over 650 homes and farmsteads. The project revitalised business in the area and helped retain its population.



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In this video, Christof Sommerberg, Director of Regulation and Public Affairs at Deutsche Glasfaser, explains how “Glasfaser für Senden” – or “Optical Fibre for Senden” – was achieved.

This project was a finalist in the 2019 European Broadband Awards. Read more about this and other award-winning projects in the brochure Broadband Good Practices from the 2019 European Broadband Awards, as well as in the project’s factsheet in the European Commission database of good practices in broadband projects.

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