



Dear subscriber, read our Newsletter of April and learn about our latest actions, the upcoming events and training programmes we organise, funding opportunities, and news from Cyprus and all around the world in the fields of Energy and the Environment.

OUR NEWS



PEDIA

PEDIA project | 3rd Procurement

Within the framework of the *Horizon Europe* - funded project PEDIA [Promoting Energy efficiency & Developing Innovative Approaches in schools], the Cyprus Energy Agency procured an open call for the energy upgrade of the next two (2) school buildings that participate in the project. These are:

- Acropolis Primary School KA & KB, in Nicosia district
- Stavros B' Primary School KA & KB, in Nicosia district

Those interested, may sumbit their quotations via the <u>e-Procurement</u> platform, by May 5th, 2024, 16:00 EET, the latest. To learn more about the PEDIA project, please click <u>here</u>.

UPCOMING EVENTS & TRAINING COURSES



Examination for Candidate Specialized Experts who will be Issuing Energy Performance

Certificates for Residential Buildings



Examination for Candidate Specialized Experts who will be Issuing Energy Performance

Certificates for Non-Residential Buildings



Examination for Energy Auditors Class A

FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES

Ηλεκτροκίνηση με τα 1000

Β' ΦΑΣΗ

Εγκατάσταση σταθμών επαναφόρτισης

- Χρηματοδότηση: μέχρι 45% της ολικής δαπάνης
- Διαθέσιμο ποσό: €2.500.000 από το Εθνικό Σχέδιο Ανάκαμψης και Ανθεκτικότητας
- Άξονας πολιτικής: Πράσινη οικονομία βιώσιμες μεταφορές
- Δικαιούχοι: φυσικά και νομικά πρόσωπα, αρχές τοπικής αυτοδιοίκησης, ΜΚΟ, που ασκούν οικονομική δραστηριότητα και είναι ιδιοκτήτες ή ενοικιαστές χώρου στάθμευσης για δημόσια χρήση
- Παραλαβή αιτήσεων: έως 31 Μαΐου 2024





EV1000 Charging Stations Sponsorship Scheme | Phase 2

On March 14, the Council of Ministers approved <u>Phase 2</u> of the EV1000 Charging Stations Grant Scheme. The Scheme is part of Cyprus' Recovery and Resilience Plan, under the policy fast transition to a green economy - sustainable transport-, and responsible for its implementation is the Department of Electromechanical Services of the Ministry of Transport, Communications, and Works, with the support of the Cyprus Energy Agency.

The current budget of the Scheme amounts to €2,5 million and the subsidy is up to 45% of the installation cost. Deadline for applications is May 31, 2024.

To learn more and submit your application, please click here.

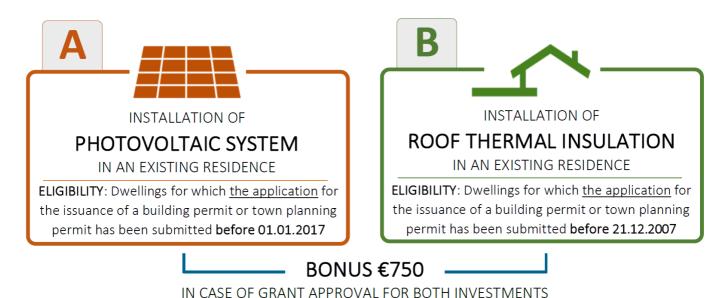


Grant Scheme for Strengthening the Resilience & Adaptation of Community Councils to Climate Change

The application period for participation in the <u>Grant Scheme for Strengthening the Resilience and Adaptation of Community Councils to Climate Change</u> is already open, and <u>will remain as such until June 30 2024 or until the available budget has been used -whichever occurs first.</u>

Interested applicants are encouraged to submit their application electronically, through the Scheme's <u>website</u>. The aim is to encourage the Community Councils (CC), Groups of CC, and Community Service Clusters across Cyprus insvest in climate change adaptation and sustainable mobility, to mitigate the effects of climate change -particularly, high temperatures and floodings.

The Grant Scheme is part of Cyprus' Recovery and Resilience Plan (RRP) and is financed by the Recovery and Resilience Facility (RRF) of the EU (Next Generation EU) with a budget of €2,900,000. It is coordinated by the Cyprus Energy Agency, with contributions from the Cyprus Union of Communities.



Grant Scheme for the Encouragement of the use of RES and Energy Savings in Dwellings 2024-

2025

On January 25, the Council of Ministers approved the Grant Scheme for the encouragement of the use of RES and Energy Savings in dwellings 2024-2025. The Scheme is co-financed by the RES and Energy Conservation Fund and Cyprus' Recovery and Resilience Plan, and provides for a grant for the installation of a photovoltaic system and/or roof thermal insulation in existing homes. Below are the Categories the Scheme covers:

- Category A1: Photovoltaics General Category
- Category A2: Photovoltaics Vulnerable Households
- Category A3: Photovoltaics for all
- Category B1: Roof Thermal Insulation General Category
- Category B2: Roof Thermal Insulation Vulnerable Households

<u>Deadline for applications is December 20, 2025, or until the available budget is exhausted</u> -whichever comes first. Category A3 will remain in force until the submission of 6,000 applications.

To learn more and submit your application, please click here.

For more Funding Opportunities addressed to households, enterprises, and Local Authorities, please visit our website: www.cea.org.cy/en/chrimatodotika-mesa-ke-chorigies/

NEWS FROM AROUND THE WORLD



Renewable Energy Sources

An analysis conducted by the *University of Exeter*, commissioned by the *Friends of the Earth* (FoE), suggests that England could produce 13 times more renewable electricity than it does, while using less than 3% of its land.

The analysis finds that, excluding national parks and areas of outstanding natural beauty, higher-grade agricultural land, and heritage sites, the country has 295,000 hectares of suitable land available for the development of solar and wind power projects. If land was utilised appropriately, such projects could generate 130TWh of solar power and 96TWh of onshore wind, far exceeding the current land-based UK renewables capacity of 17TWh. This way, England would have enough electricity to power households across the country two and a half times over.

Read more here.



Sustainable Cities - Sustainable Mobility

With time running out to keep global temperature to a 1.5 Celsius rise, implementing solutions for a more sustainable, lower-carbon future, is key. And when it comes to destinations, some are proving better at this than others.

The most recent *Global Destination Sustainability Index* looks at 69 indicators – such as recycling rates, air pollution levels, quantity of cycling paths, and the percentage of hotel rooms that are certified eco-friendly – to select the world's most sustainable cities. While the index is geared towards recognising tourism sectors for their sustainability commitments, it also takes into account data that affects city residents – making the index a good resource not only for travellers who want to choose a sustainable destination, but for would-be residents looking to settle in an eco-friendly city, too.

Read more here.



Energy Efficiency

The European Bank for Reconstruction and Development (EBRD) is considering lending 12 million euros to help introduce energy efficiency measures that include solar photovoltaic installations in three public hospital buildings in Montenegro.

The project worth 15 million euros in total, will help improve energy performance and environmental sustainability of the renovated hospitals, improve damaged structures and air quality, as well as comfort level, which are very important for buildings of this nature. It will also contribute to the reduction of GHG emissions and energy consumption, yielding electricity and heating savings.

Read more here.

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