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OUR NEWS



ADAPTO project | Kick-off Meeting

From May 9 to 10, the Cyprus Energy Agency hosted ADAPTO's kick-off meeting in Cyprus. ADAPTO brings together 8 partners from 6 European regions (Cyprus: Cyprus Energy Agency, Ypsonas Municipality, France: Bretagne Development Innovation, Greece: Regional Development Fund of North Aegean, Ireland: Tipperary County Council, Technological University of the Shannon, Lithuania: Kaunas University of Technology, Poland: Lubelskie Voivodeship) to design, develop, and implement climate adaptation policy measures/strategies at different governance levels, and through this, to boost the

resilience of their territories to the current and future climate change impacts. The ADAPTO project is co-funded by the European Union through the Interreg Europe programme, and is coordinated by the Cyprus Energy Agency.

During the meeting, the partners exchanged information on the potential impacts of climate change on the natural environment, the main economic sectors and vulnerable groups in their regions. As part of the interactive sessions, the regions further discussed the existing climate hazards they face, how these have changed over the past years, and what climate strategies they have put in place to manage existing and future climate hazards. Areas of common interest and potential good practices for interregional exchange were also identified.

The second day of the meeting focused on examples of how to manage water risks, including water scarcity and urban flash flooding. These were showcased through a site visit to Kouris Dam (the largest dam in Cyprus), the Akrotiri wetland, and a rainwater harvesting project currently in development by Ypsonas Municipality.

To learn more about the ADAPTO project and follow its progress, please click [here](#).

UPCOMING EVENTS & TRAINING COURSES



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



ΥΠΟΥΡΓΕΙΟ ΜΕΤΑΦΟΡΩΝ, ΕΠΙΚΟΙΝΩΝΙΩΝ ΚΑΙ ΕΡΓΩΝ

EV1000 Charging Stations Sponsorship Scheme | Phase 2

On March 14, the Council of Ministers approved Phase 2 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](#).



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

Change


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

Interested applicants are encouraged to submit their application electronically, through the Scheme's website. The aim is to encourage the Community Councils (CC), Groups of CC, and Community Service Clusters across Cyprus invest 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.

To learn more and submit your application, please click [here](#).


A



INSTALLATION OF
PHOTOVOLTAIC SYSTEM
IN AN EXISTING RESIDENCE

ELIGIBILITY: Dwellings for which the application for the issuance of a building permit or town planning permit has been submitted **before 01.01.2017**

B



INSTALLATION OF
ROOF THERMAL INSULATION
IN AN EXISTING RESIDENCE

ELIGIBILITY: Dwellings for which the application for the issuance of a building permit or town planning permit has been submitted **before 21.12.2007**

BONUS €750
IN CASE OF GRANT APPROVAL FOR BOTH INVESTMENTS

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**

Deadline for applications is December 20, 2025, or until the available budget is exhausted -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/chrinatodotika-mesa-ke-chorigies/

NEWS FROM AROUND THE WORLD



Renewable Energy Sources

More than 30% of the world's electricity is now generated using renewables, and the European Union is well ahead of this global average, a new report has found. Energy think-tank Ember found that major growth in wind and solar helped push global electricity production past this milestone in 2023.

The report covers 80 countries, which represent 92% of the world's energy demand, and historic data from 215 other countries. Its authors say that this rapid growth has brought the world to a crucial turning point where fossil fuel generation starts to decline.

Read more [here](#).



Sustainable Cities - Sustainable Mobility

Imagine living in a bustling neighbourhood where all your friends, basic needs, even your job are reachable by a quick walk, bike or bus ride. This vision is sometimes referred to as the *15-minute city*, a concept pioneered by the scientist Carlos Moreno.

Instead of expecting residents to get in their cars and drive long distances to work, run errands, and take part in social activities, cities should instead be designed to provide those kinds of opportunities in close proximity to where people live, reducing at the same time overdependence on cars and increasing local social cohesion.

Paris, Moreno's home, was the first city to put this concept into practice -as part of a larger strategy to reduce air pollution and the presence of cars. Since 2011, the French capital has reportedly reduced car traffic by 45% and associated nitrogen oxide pollution by 40%.

Read more [here](#).



Energy Efficiency

In the wake of the global energy market disruptions caused by Russia's invasion of Ukraine, the European Commission adopted the REPowerEU Plan in May 2022. The objective was to rapidly reduce the European Union's [EU] dependence on Russian fossil fuels, by fast-forwarding the clean transition and joining forces to achieve a more resilient energy system with a true Energy Union.

To date, the EU has successfully met most of the ambitious targets set in the REPowerEU Plan and is on good track to achieve the medium to longer-term objectives. Over the past 2 years, the REPowerEU Plan has helped the 27 EU Member States save energy, diversify their supplies, produce clean energy, as well as to smartly combine investments and reforms.

Read more [here](#).

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