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OUR NEWS



FEDARENE General Assembly 2024 in Cyprus

From June 25 to 27, we were honored to be hosting FEDARENE's General Assembly in Cyprus. FEDARENE is the premier EU network of regional and local organisations, which implement, co-ordinate, and facilitate energy and environment policies. Our Agency is a proud member of this network.

FEDARENE's General Assembly was held in the morning of the 26th, a day after its Board's meeting. The 3day event was completed with a ceremonial session coordinated by our Agency on the evening of the 26th, as well as interactive activities between the members on the morning of the 27th. The event took place at the Grecian Park Hotel, in Protaras.

The Director of the Cyprus Energy Agency, Mr. Savvas Vlahos, welcomed the ceremonial session entitled "EU Climate Pact Summit - Laying the Ground Towards Climate Neutrality", on behalf of the Vice-President of CEA

Board, Mr. Panagiotis Damianou. Representing the President of the Republic, Mr. Nikos Christodoulides, the audience was then greeted by the Minister of Energy, Trade, and Industry, Dr. George Papanastasiou.

Within the same session, Mr. Vlachos presented FEDARENE's Manifesto for 2024, and Ms. Güzide Sofi shared her journey as an EU Climate Pact Ambassador in Cyprus. The session closed with a panel discussion that was moderated by the Vice-President of FEDARENE Board, Mr. Seamus Hoyne, joined by Dr. Papanastasiou, the Environment Commissioner, Mrs. Antonia Theodosiou, the Director of the Environment Department, Dr. Theodoulos Mesimeris, and the Deputy Representative of the EC in Cyprus, Mr. Nikos Isaris.

The event closed with a visit in the city center of Nicosia, the facilities and the green roof of our Agency.

To learn more about FEDARENE, please click here.

UPCOMING EVENTS & TRAINING COURSES

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 | Extension of Phase 2

On May 29, the Department of Electromechanical Services of the Ministry of Transport, Communications, and Works <u>announced</u> the extension of the deadline for applications for the 2nd phase of the EV1000 Scheme, <u>to July 31st</u>, <u>12:00 a.m.</u>

The Scheme is part of Cyprus' Recovery & Resilience Plan, under the policy fast transition to a green economy -sustainable transport. 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.

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



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

Change | Extension of Deadline for Applications

The Cyprus Energy Agency, the implementing body of the <u>Grant Scheme for Strengthening the Resilience and Adaptation of Community Councils to Climate Change</u>, informs the Community Councils that the submission of applications has been <u>extended until 15/11/2024, 23:45</u>, or until the available <u>budget</u> is <u>exhausted</u>, <u>whichever comes first</u>.

Within this period, pergolas will not be included in the eligible costs of Category B3. Also, applications that will be submitted, are obliged to complete their investments and submit the "Final Application for Grant Payment" no later than March 31, 2026. Given this, the Councils are encouraged to submit applications for projects they can complete within the specified timeframe. They are also encouraged to submit their applications in time, as priority will be given. Applications are submitted electronically, via the Scheme's <u>website</u>.

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.



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

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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

<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

According to a large study aimed at political leaders, the world has enough fossil fuel projects planned to meet global energy demand forecasts to 2050, and governments should stop issuing new oil, gas and coal licences. If governments deliver the changes promised to keep the world from breaching its climate targets no new fossil fuel projects will be needed, the researchers at the University College London and the International Institute for Sustainable Development (IISD) suggest.

The data offered what they said was "a rigorous scientific basis" for global governments to ban new fossil fuel projects and begin a managed decline of the fossil fuel industry, while encouraging investment in clean energy alternatives. By establishing a "clear and immediate demand" political leaders would be able to set a new norm around the future of fossil fuels, against which the industry could be held "immediately accountable", the researchers say.

Read more here.



Sustainable Cities - Sustainable Mobility

Atlas of Sustainable City Transport is a newly launched online dashboard that displays essential information for sustainable urban transport in over 40,000 localities, in more than 1,000 metropolitan areas globally. The Atlas visualizes 9 key sustainable mobility indicators through measurements of existing infrastructure, and what that means for people who live nearby or visit -particularly in low- and middle-income countries.

The Atlas, which its developers call a first-of-its-kind tool to map sustainable mobility in this way, was published by the Institute for Transportation and Development Policy (ITDP), a non-profit that works with cities worldwide to design and implement high-quality transport systems and policy solutions that make cities more liveable, equitable, and sustainable.

Read more here.



Energy Efficiency

25% of primary schools and about 15% of secondary schools worldwide lack access to electricity, affecting 186 million children. Energy-efficient lighting contributes to creating a better learning environment in schools, while well-lit classrooms enhance visibility, reduce eye strain, and foster a more conducive atmosphere for teaching and learning.

Increasing the use of LED lights in lieu of incandescent and fluorescent technologies leads to substantial cost savings, freeing up resources that can be reinvested in other needs for the school children. The Kenya Ministry of Energy and Petroleum and key collaborators have successfully concluded the pilot phase of the Powering Education project in 100 Kenyan schools, which seeks to develop and implement a model for transitioning schools to energy efficient lighting.

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