



Dear subscriber, read our Newsletter of November 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



Σχέδιο Χορηγιών για την Ενίσχυση της Ανθεκτικότητας και την Προσαρμογή των Κοινοτήτων στην Κλιματική Αλλαγή









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Grant Scheme for Community Councils | 4 additional Public Funding Agreements have been signed

Four additional Public Financing Agreements were signed on November 1st, bringing the number of applications that have secured funding from the <u>Grant Scheme for Strengthening the Resilience & Adaptation of Community Councils to Climate Change</u> to seven. The other three were signed earlier last September.

The new Communities that have secured funding are the Community of Paleometocho, the Community of Pano Deftera, the Community of Mammari and the Municipal District of Kelli (formerly the Municipality of Aradippou) - all with investments

in Category B of the Grant Scheme (Investments for strengthening the Adaptation & Resilience of Community Councils to Climate Change).

The Scheme is part of Cyprus Recovery & Resilience Plan and is financed by the Recovery & Resilience Facility of the EU (Next Generation EU), with a budget of €2,9 million. Coordinator of the Scheme is the Cyprus Energy Agency, with the support of the Cyprus Union of Communities.

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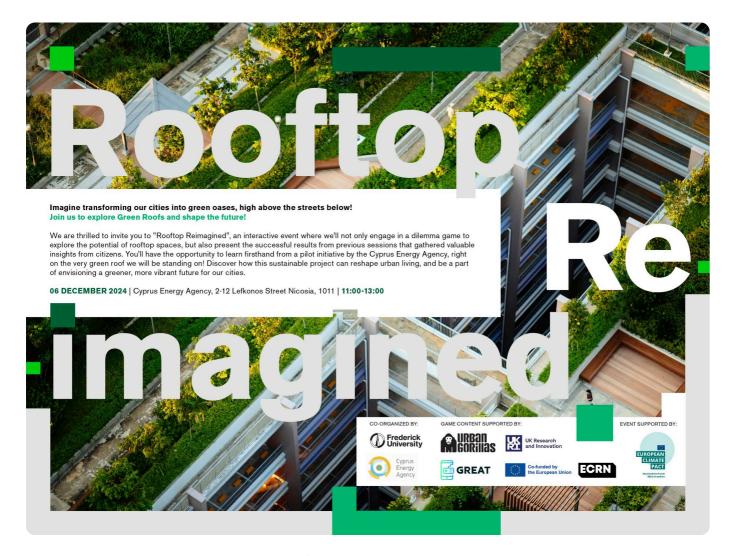


SRI2MARKET Project: Free Training Course on Building Certificatation

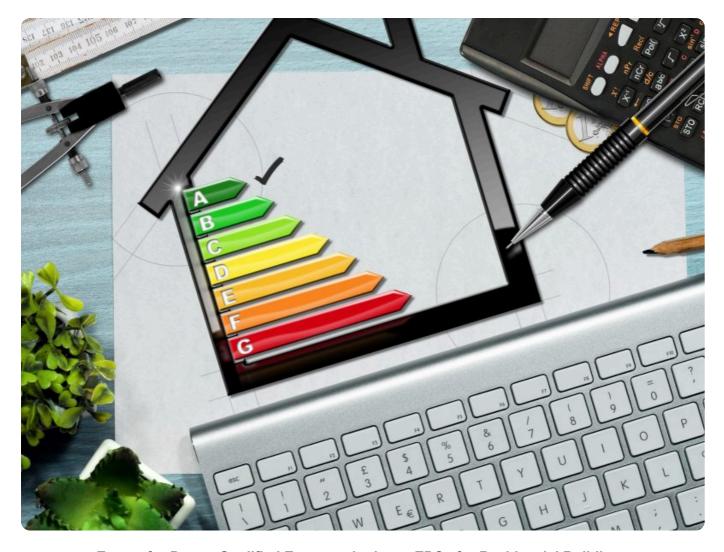
We remind you of the free training course of the Life+ project <u>SRI2MARKET</u> [Paving the way for the adoption of the SRI (Smart Readiness Indicator) into national regulation and market], on SRI and its calculation for building certification.

The couse is addressed to all qualified engineers registered to the Scientific & Technical Chamber of Cyprus or the Technical Chamber of Greece. The aim of the course is to deepen the participants' knowledge on the basic concepts of the common SRI assessment system in the EU and basic principles of its calculation methodology, through the assessment tool developed by the project.

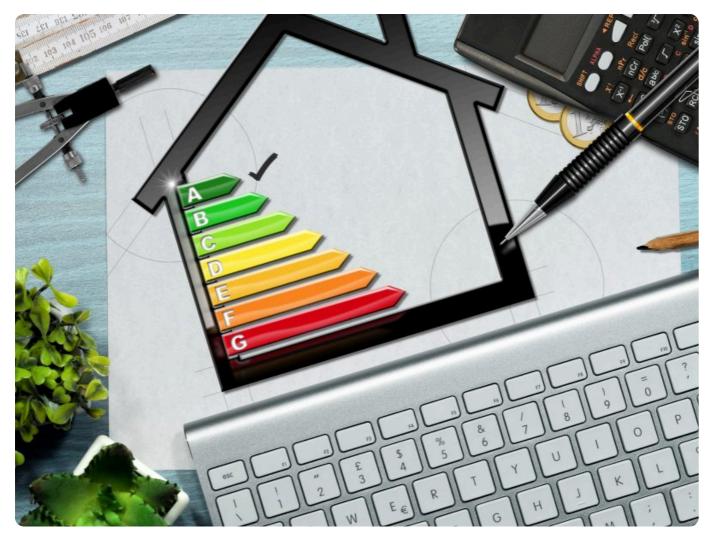
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Rooftop Re-imagined Vol.2



Exams for Potent Qualified Experts who issue EPCs for Residencial Buildings



Exams for Potent Qualified Experts who issue EPCs for Non-Residential Buildings

FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES



European City Facility | Technical Assistance Fund Scheme for Local Authorities - UPDATE

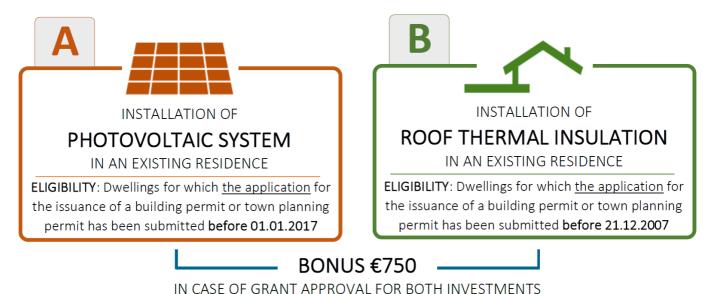
On October 15, the groundbreaking support mechanism for sustainable project across Europe, EUCF, launched its 7th and ultimate Call towards Local Authorities (LAs), for them to secure funds for Technical Assistance.

The Call that is funded by the European Programme LIFE, allows for a grant of up to €60,000, so that a LA or a group of them receive(s) technical assistance to develop/implement sustainable investment concepts. The assistance may refer to feasibility studies, market analysis, stakeholder analysis, legal, economic, and financial analysis, risk analysis, or coordination and organization activities.

71 LAs, groups of them, or Local Public Entities that gather LAs across Europe, including Ukraine, and Iceland, will be benefited by the Call. Interested applicants may submit their application **by December 18**, the latest.

Our Agency, being the National Coordinator and Expert of the EUCF in Cyprus, has organised two informative webinars on the new Call, on 6 and 14 November. To find the recordings, please click <u>here</u>.

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



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 Has been re-announced!
- Category B1: Roof Thermal Insulation General Category
- Category B2: Roof Thermal Insulation Vulnerable Households

Deadline for applications is 20.12.2025, or until the available budget is exhausted -whichever comes first. To learn more and submit your application, please click <u>here</u>.

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





Renewable Energy Sources

The total net GHG emissions in the EU dropped by 8% last year, marking significant progress towards climate neutrality for the EU. The huge drop was led by a significant decline in coal use and growth of renewables, and supported by reduced energy consumption, according to the figures included in the latest report of the EU Environment Agency (EEA), "Trends and Projections".

The annual EEA check-up on EU's progress on its energy and climate targets stresses that EU member-states will need to sustain this rate of progress, to achieve Europe's climate and energy targets.

Read more here.



Sustainable Cities - Sustainable Mobility

The urgency to innovate in sustainable mobility intersects with formidable obstacles and significant hurdles. Europe, under the directives of the Commission, exemplifies this dynamic struggle. The steadfast adherence to the Green Deal and the bold 2035 ban on the sale of new combustion engine cars, signify a committed stride towards sustainability.

However, these initiatives bring substantial economic and logistical challenges, as the continent faces an affordability crisis impacting both, housing and living costs. The shift towards greener technologies must not only consider environmental impacts, but also ensure economic accessibility, preventing new technologies from widening existing social inequalities.

Read more here.



Energy Efficiency

To guarantee the preservation of museum collections, while also optimising energy consumption, the European project SMARTMUS-E is proposing a sound methodology for analysing temperature and humidity fluctuations in museums. Their method would make it possible to evaluate material changes objectively.

Conservation professionals will be able to estimate how safe the museum environment is in historical buildings, equipping them with the knowledge needed to adapt to climate change. They will also be able to optimise energy consumption, by allowing wider yet safe fluctuations of temperature and relative humidity in museums, with mechanical air conditioning systems.

Read more here.

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