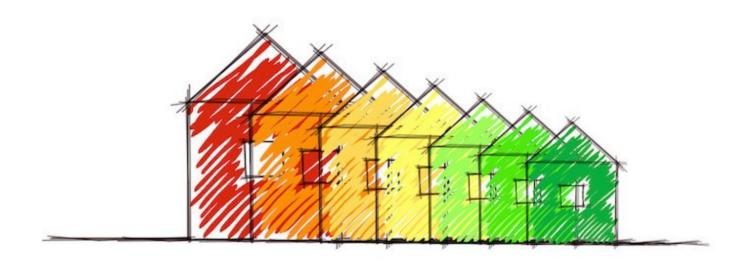




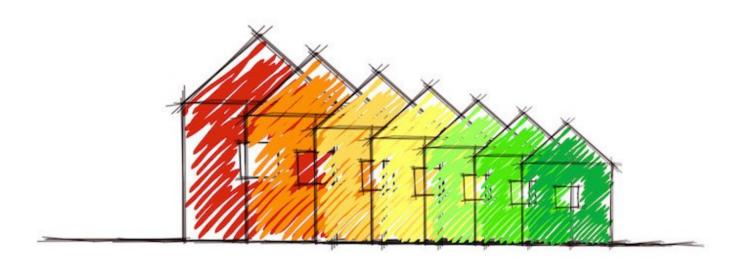
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OUR NEWS

UPCOMING EVENTS & TRAINING COURSES



Examination: Issuance of Energy Performance Certificates for Residential Buildings



Examination: Issuance of Energy Performance Certificates for Non-Residential Buildings

FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES



European Energy Communities Facility | 1st Call for Proposals

The Cyprus Energy Agency, National Expert of the <u>EU Energy Communities Facility</u> -also known as ENERCOM Facility-, wants to raise awareness about the 1st Call for Proposals that opened on June 2nd and will remain in force until September 30th, 2025.

The ENERCOM Facility is for businesses, citizens and Local Authorities, who are interested in developing their own Energy Communities. Through the Call, eligible applicants can secure 45000 lump sum grants and access to a tailored capacity-building programme, to develop their sustainable business plans.

Interested applicants are adviced to submit their proposals online, through the Facility's website, after carefully reading the Call's documents. Within this framework, our Agency organised an online <u>Info Session</u> in Greek.

The ENERCOM Facility project is co-funded by the LIFE Programme of the European Union.

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

NEWS FROM AROUND THE WORLD



Renewable Energy Sources

As part of its efforts to bring down the cost of electricity supply and make electricity bills more affordable for EU citizens, the European Commission [EC] has provided new guidance to EU countries. In particular, the EC will facilitate the uptake of innovative Renewable Energy Sources and forms of deployment, will accelerate the rollout of grids and storage infrastructure, and will design future-proof electricity network charges.

The recommendations and the guidance documents will support the implementation of the revised Renewable Energy Directive and Electricity Market Design, as well as the Action Plan for Affordable Energy set out earlier this year with the aim of lowering energy costs by accelerating the clean energy transition. The EU countries and their energy regulators are invited to read these documents before setting their national frameworks.

Read more here.



Sustainable Cities - Sustainable Mobility

As part of the preparations for the upcoming United Nations Decade of Sustainable Transport (2026-2035) and the associated Implementation Plan, UNECE and DESA have recently organized a capacity building workshop on sustainable transport, aimed at bringing together Member-States and civil society experts to assist in the development of the Implementation Plan, and ensure it reflects all aspects of sustainable transport – efficiency, innovation, connectivity, accessibility, climate change mitigation and adaptation.

The final version of the Plan is expected to be presented on World Sustainable Transport Day (November 26), which will also mark the launch of the Decade.

Read more here.



Energy Efficiency

The United Nations Development Programme released a study that explores how time-bound renewable energy targets, backed by coherent policies and financing mechanisms, could unlock triple wins: cutting emissions, boosting economies, and delivering social benefits at national level. To quantify these benefits, they simulated three scenarios and compared outcomes.

According to the third and most optimistic scenario, aligning renewable energy targets with supportive policies could lift 193 million people out of extreme poverty, save 142 million people from facing malnutrition, and give another 550 million people access to clean water and sanitation. It could also provide cumulative savings of \$20.4 trillion –with \$8.9 trillion coming from energy efficiency, and the rest from lower renewable energy costs.

Read more here.

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