

Dear subscriber, read our Newsletter of August 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.

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## OUR NEWS



### **ASSERT Project: Training Session for Social Workers across Cyprus**

On July 15, 2025, our Agency, in collaboration with the Electricity Authority of Cyprus, and within the framework of the ASSERT project, organized a training session for social workers across Cyprus, to inform them about the available grants/schemes for alleviating energy poverty.

The training was attended by twenty *neighbourhood social workers* who are responsible for dozens of cases of vulnerable households that could benefit immensely by adopting the suggested measures and by exploiting the available grants.

**To learn more about the ASSERT project, please click [here](#).**



Online

## How Energy Renovation is Improving Housing in Central and Eastern Europe Region

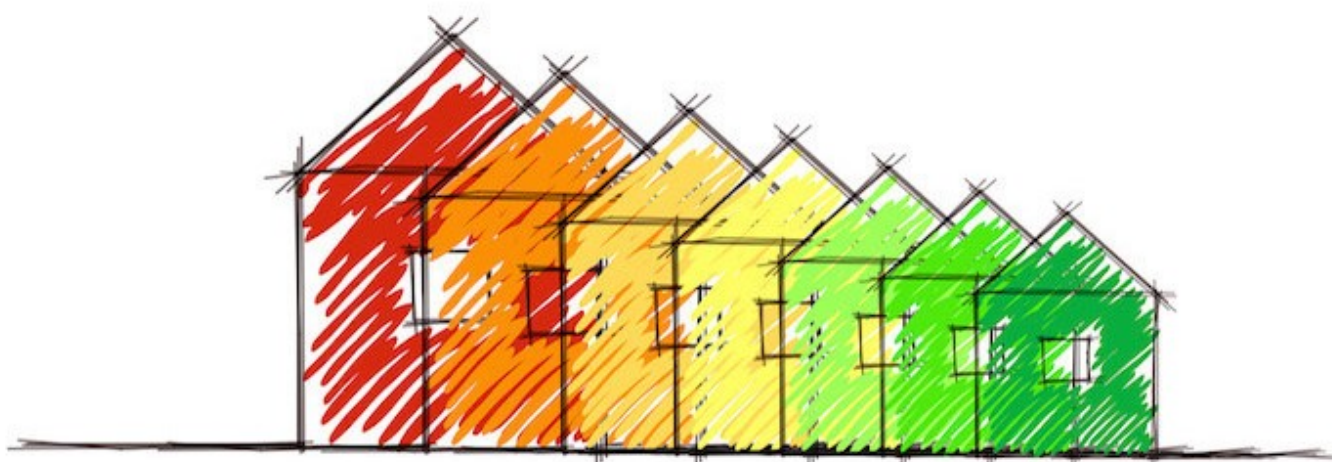
2nd EPAH PRACTITIONERS' EVENT

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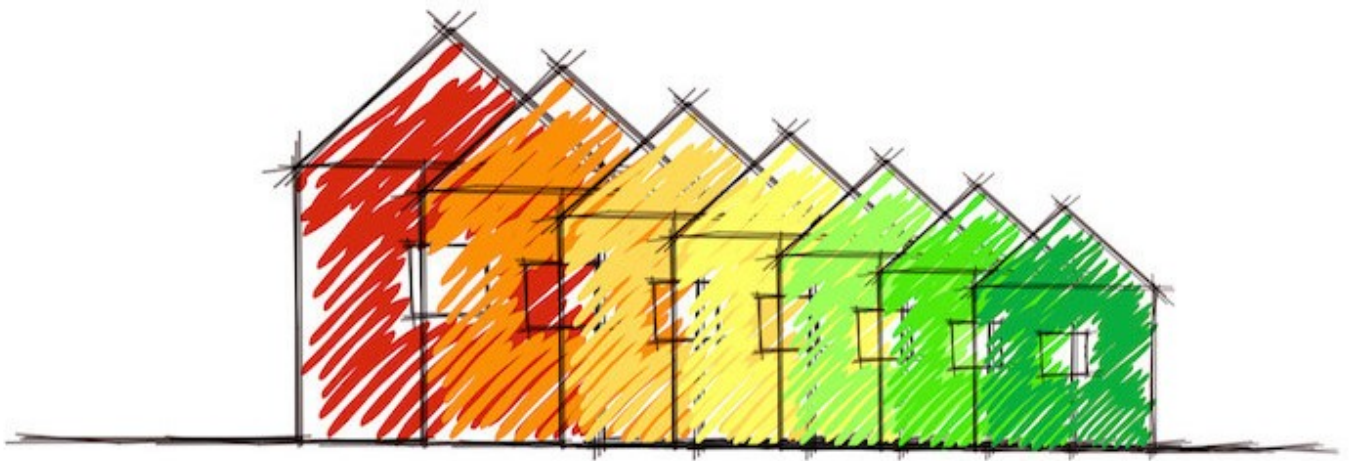


European  
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**The European Energy Poverty Advisory Hub's 2nd Practitioners' Event**



**Examination: Issuance of Energy Performance Certificates for Residential Buildings**



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

**FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES**





# Call for proposals

€45,000 grants for energy communities



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## European Energy Communities Facility | 1st Call for Proposals

The Cyprus Energy Agency, National Expert of the EU Energy Communities Facility -also known as ENERCOM Facility-, reminds you about the Facility's 1st Call for Proposals that closes on September 30th, 2025.

The ENERCOM Facility is about businesses, citizens, and local authorities, that are interested in developing an energy community. Through the Call, eligible applicants can secure € 45,000 lump sum grants, and access to a tailored capacity-building programme, to develop their sustainable business plans.

Interested applicants can submit their proposals online, after carefully reading the Call's documents. Within this framework, our Agency organised an info session in Greek.

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

**To learn more, please click [here](#).**

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

## NEWS FROM AROUND THE WORLD



### Renewable Energy Sources

The Irish government has said that the country made 'major progress' in accelerating both onshore and offshore renewable energy in 2024, with onshore generation now accounting for more than 35% of Ireland's electricity generation.

In particular, Ireland achieved a milestone of more than 5 GW of installed wind capacity - a 'significant step' towards its target of achieving 80% of electricity demand from renewables. In terms of solar, 1.6 GW of solar PV has been installed. The country has also set ambitious offshore renewable energy (ORE) targets, including the delivery of 20GW of ORE by 2040.

***Read more [here](#).***





### **Sustainable Cities - Sustainable Mobility**

On August 5, the Taiwanese Ministry of Transportation and Communications held the inaugural meeting of a Transportation Artificial Intelligence (AI) Promotion Committee aimed at increasing AI applications in transport management.

AI is perceived as the key to promoting digital transformation and innovative services in transportation. It can improve service efficiency, promote traffic safety, and enhance transportation systems' resilience to achieve sustainable development. By implementing human-centered measures, Taiwan foresees an AI development blueprint and governance structure for transportation transition.

***Read more [here](#).***



## Energy Efficiency

The recast Energy Performance of Buildings Directive (EU/2024/1275), adopted in May 2024, enhances the energy performance requirements for new buildings. According to the updated directive, starting of 01.01.2030, the standard will be raised from 'nearly-zero energy buildings' to 'zero-emission buildings'.

A zero-emission building has no onsite carbon emissions from fossil fuels and a very high energy performance. They also support grid flexibility by providing decentralised renewable energy generation at a household or community level, electric and thermal energy storage, better demand response, and smart charging.

**Read more [here](#).**