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OUR NEWS



The Final Policy Conference of the TwlnSolar project

Islands and isolated areas face various energy and environmental challenges, that require specific policies and actions at European and national level. On September 30, our Agency was in Brussels for the final conference of the TwlnSolar project, to present and discuss practices that have been implemented in Cyprus and could be transferred to the islands of Reunion and the Azores.

Among the topics we presented was the Tilliria energy community, and how we used the *Peer Review-Interreg Europe* service to design and mature the stakeholders' involvement. The process of securing funding from the Cyprus Recovery and Resilience Plan for the design of thirty (30) Joint Energy and Climate Action Plans, which will cover all Cypriot Communities, was also discussed.

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Climate Adaptation Plan: Ten new Public Funding Agreements have been signed

The Scheme for Strengthening the Resilience and Adaptation of Communities to Climate Change has approved ten new Climate Adaptation projects. In this context, the Councilors of Pentakomo, Kakopetria, Tembria, Askas, Denia, Pissouri, Doros, Kalavasos, Kato Moni and Kato Mylos Communities, and their

consultants, visited the Cyprus Energy Agency's premises on 23.9 and 10.10 respectively, to sign the Public Financing Agreement and therefore, proceed with the implementation of their projects.

The Grant Scheme's included in Cyprus' Recovery & Resilience Plan and funded by the Recovery & Resilience Mechanism of the EU (NextGenerationEU) with €2.9 million. The Cyprus Energy Agency leads this action with the support of the Cyprus Union of Communities.

To learn more about the meeting on 23.9, please click <u>here</u>.

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PEDIA Project: A Contract for the energy upgrade of another two schools has been signed

Following the successful completion of the first 10 energy upgrades within the framework of the PEDIA project, a Contract concerning the next 2 schools to be upgraded to the Nearly Zero Energy Building level was signed on 13 October at the premises of the Cyprus Energy Agency.

HOUSEMASTERS Ltd. -the contractor of the 5th project Call for Tender- will undertake these energy upgrades. The two schools, that are located in Famagusta district, are:

- the 3rd Primary School of Deryneia, and
- the Public and Community Kindergarten of Vrysoulles

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UPCOMING EVENTS & TRAINING COURSES



Course: Energy Performance of Buildings – Methodology and Learning of the Energy Certification

Software

FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES

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NEWS FROM AROUND THE WORLD



Renewable Energy Sources

Renewable energy is projected to account for 91% of global electricity by 2050, with solar photovoltaics and wind energy leading the forecast. However, gaps in infrastructure and grids continue to present challenges to meeting electricity demand and the energy transition goals, the International Renewable Energy Agency (IRENA) says.

In electricity grids alone, IRENA estimates \$670 billion of investment is required annually between 2025 and 2030 to strengthen such facilities. Market reforms, workforce upskilling, de-risking investment, and expanding global manufacturing are also necessary, IRENA suggests.

Read more here.



Sustainable Cities - Sustainable Mobility

Slovenia has allocated €835 million from the climate fund to use over the period 2025-2028 for climate change mitigation and adaptation measures.

The largest chunk (€375 million) will go to sustainable mobility. The funds will be used for investments in public transport, including the purchase of new trains and buses, the renovation of ticketing and information systems, the co-financing of zero-emission vehicles and charging infrastructure, the promotion of cycling and walking, and the shifting of freight transport from roads to rail.

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Energy Efficiency

To double its support to small and medium-sized enterprises, the EU Commission, together with the European Investment Bank (EIB) Group, launched a €17.5 billion financing initiative for investments in energy efficiency and decarbonization, for the period 2025-2027.

According to the Commission, more than 350,000 companies across Europe are to be served through this Scheme. By utilizing proven energy-saving technologies, the firms will be able to reduce their energy bills and enhance their resilience and competitiveness.

Read more here.

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