

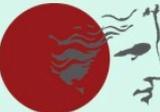


Dear subscriber, read our Newsletter of February and learn about our latest actions, the upcoming events and training programmes we organise, funding opportunities, and news from Cyprus and all around the world in the fields of Energy and the Environment.

OUR NEWS


**EUROPEAN
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Tiny Forest Huge ImPACT

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EU Climate Pact Cyprus: Parties' Meeting «Tiny Forest Huge ImPACT»

On February 24, our Agency, being the National Coordinator of the European Climate Pact, organized a Parties Meeting named “Tiny Forest Huge ImPACT”. The coordination of the meeting was carried out in collaboration with the Municipality of Lakatamia and the support of the Embassy of Japan in Cyprus.

The meeting was held in Lakatamia, at the site where the first pilot Tiny Forest of Cyprus was developed last April. Representatives of Municipalities of Cyprus and other distinguished guests attended the meeting with the aim of being informed about the methodology for designing and developing a Tiny Forest, as well as to discuss the possibility of capitalizing on the idea in more urban areas.

The meeting was addressed by the Mayor of Lakatamia, Ms. Photoulla Hadjipapa, the Ambassador, Mr. Satoshi Iwasaki, and representatives of our Agency. The methodology was presented by representatives of our Agency, together with Mr. Marios Malais, Municipal Officer for Green & Gardening. The Climate Pact was presented by Sofia Koushioumi and Panelope Vasquez Hadjilira, the National Pact Ambassadors.

For the Tiny Forest methodology, please click [here](#).

To learn more about the EU Climate Pact, please click [here](#).

To learn more about the Tiny Forest in Lakatamia, please click [here](#).

CAPTURE CLIMATE ADAPTATION! A PHOTO EXHIBITION ON MEDITERRANEAN TRANSFORMATION TO ADDRESS CLIMATE ADAPTATION

TAKE PART IN DESIRMED PHOTO CONTEST AND SEE YOUR PHOTO
EXHIBITED IN THE CIRCLE THE MED FORUM, 19-21 MAY IN ATHENS

WIN A TRIP TO
ATTEND THE
DESIRMED
ADAPTATION
FESTIVAL IN CYPRUS
IN SEPTEMBER 2026!



The DesirMED project launches a Photo Contest

The EU funded project DesirMED invites individuals of all backgrounds and professions to take part in a photo contest that documents and interprets the climate resilient transformations happening in the Med region. The winner of the contest will get the opportunity to attend DesirMED's Adaptation Festival in Cyprus in September, and network with a wide community of people in the Med region. The winner will also participate in the project's efforts to ensure a more resilient future. **Deadline for submissions is April 20, 2026.**

Click [here](#) to learn more and submit your photo.



The Step-WISE project launches its Virtual Knowledge Office

Step-WISE, a tailored and dynamic Capacity Building Programme co-financed by the European Union, aimed at empowering the European Local and Regional Authorities to become autonomous early adopters of digitised and integrated Clean Energy Transition Plans, has launched its Virtual Knowledge Office, also known as VKO.

With activity in 4 pilot areas (Bulgaria, Spain, Cyprus, Mediterranean islands), the project leverages a software toolkit aimed at the analysis of the local territory, to evaluate different energy scenarios, prioritize interventions in time, and monitor progress towards targets.

The VKO provides you with technical tools, educational material, and a networking platform, that make the process of Clean Energy Transition Planning easier, quicker, and more accurate!

Click [here](#) to learn more.

UPCOMING EVENTS & TRAINING COURSES



**Training Course “Buildings' Energy Performance – Methodology & Learning of the New Software
for Buildings' Energy Certifications”**

- Course of May 2026

- Course exclusively for self-employed

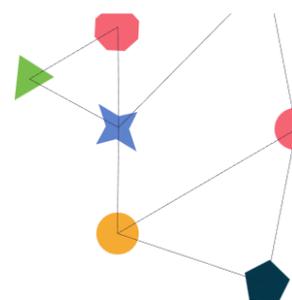
FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES

EU
Energy Poverty
Advisory Hub

Technical Assistance

Open call for the
EPAH Technical Assistance

Apply by **31 March, 18:00 CET**



Open Call for the EPAH [Energy Poverty Advisory Hub] 2 Technical Assistance

A new EPAH Call has opened and will remain **in force until March 31st**. Up to fifty (50) potential beneficiaries (Local Authorities, or Consortiums consisting of other bodies and at least one (1) Local Authority) will secure technical assistance from this Call. The assistance will help in the mitigation of energy poverty, by supporting diagnostic, planning, and implementation activities at local level.

Click [here](#) to learn more, or watch the [Informative Webinar](#) we organised as the National Implementing Body & Expert of EPAH in Greek.



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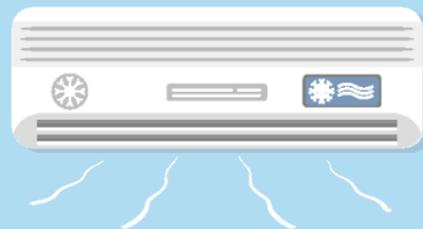
Funding scheme EAC+

for replacing old luminaires with
LED & air conditioners with high
energy efficiency



A

Subsidy Scheme for light panel replacement for corporate entities and local authorities



B

Subsidy Scheme for the replacement of air conditioning units for vulnerable customers

Call for Applications within the framework of the "EAC+" Grant Scheme

The "EAC+" Grant Scheme for the replacement of existing lighting and/or air-conditioning units with new, high-energy-efficient ones is still in force. **Deadline for applications is 30.09.2028**, or until the available funds are exhausted, whichever occurs first. The Implementing Body is the EAC Procurement and the Supporting Body is the Cyprus Energy Agency.

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

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

NEWS FROM AROUND THE WORLD



Renewable Energy Sources

More and more countries are investing in the renewable energy industry, creating a multitude of job opportunities. While China dominates global jobs (43.9%), Europe contributes to the global renewable energy employment with 10.8% - 4.1% less than Asia (excluding China and India) who comes second in the list.

According to the 2025 study of the International Labour Organisation and the International Renewable Energy Agency, Europe had 2.04 million renewable energy jobs in 2024, of which just under 1.8 million were in the EU, and were highly concentrated in wind and solar. However, women continued to be underrepresented in all this.

Read more [here](#).



Sustainable Cities - Sustainable Mobility

Cities are expected to track sustainability progress with data that are often incomplete, outdated, or available only at a national level. A new research led by IIASA, in collaboration with UN-Habitat, finds that *citizen science* could address these gaps and support nearly 70% of global sustainability indicators, yet is currently used in 4% of cases.

The findings show that *citizen science* data could substantially strengthen how cities monitor issues, such as air quality, biodiversity, access to basic services, public space, safety, mobility, and community wellbeing, where local conditions and lived experience are critical.

Read more [here](#).



Energy Efficiency

Data centers are responsible for 1.5% of the total yearly electricity consumption worldwide. Projections indicate that their consumption is set to more than double by end of this decade, primarily due to the substantial growth of energy-intensive accelerated computing, which is used mainly for AI purposes.

To measure the energy consumption and the environmental and climate impact of EU data centers, greater transparency from data center operators is key. In this context, the Energy Efficiency Directive introduced a monitoring and reporting obligation that is upgraded every year. According to this, data centers in the EU with a significant energy consumption should be providing the European Commission with data related to their energy performance and water footprint.

Read more [here](#).



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