



Dear subscriber, read our Newsletter of March 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



Real Urban Green Project: Cooperation Agreement for the Development of 2 Tiny Forests in the Municipality of Lakatamia

A Cooperation Agreement between the Cyprus Energy Agency and the Municipality of Lakatamia was signed on March 6, aimed at the development of two Tiny Forests in the Municipality, within the framework of the Interreg Euro-MED project [Real Urban Green](#).

The goal is to enhance the green in Lakatamia area, and thus, improve citizens' quality of life. Upon completion of the two projects, the Municipality will count three Tiny Forests in total. The first was developed in April 2025, in collaboration with the Cyprus Energy Agency and FEDARENE, within the framework of the European Climate Pact.

Click [here](#) to learn more about Tiny Forests and the first Tiny Forest in Lakatamia.



Adapting to a Changing Climate

Climate change is not a distant or abstract issue. It is in fact a present reality, shaping our health, livelihoods, ecosystems, and local economies; and underscoring the need to understand these changes and adapt for the future. While mitigation of climate change is crucial, climate change adaptation is equally important. It prepares us for the changes already underway.

There is a plethora of adaptation measures you can get involved.

Check out the [article](#) our team has composed and get inspired!

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” Exclusively for Self-Employed**

FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES



Electricity Authority of Cyprus
Supply

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

Renewables are central to climate policy, economic competitiveness, and energy security worldwide. Understanding how these technologies work and shape electricity costs, air quality, infrastructure resilience, and job creation can significantly improve public acceptance, and accelerate their adoption across society.

Solar energy, for instance, scales rapidly and lowers marginal power costs. Wind energy expands industrial capacity and strengthens energy security. Hydropower stabilizes grids, and geothermal delivers reliable baseload generation. Bioenergy connects electricity, heat, and transport, in ways no other renewable can.

Read more [here](#).



Sustainable Cities - Sustainable Mobility

Drawing insights from the “Promoting Sustainable Transportation in Commercial Real Estate” workshop organised in Miami last June, the new report of ULI and ModeScore offers actionable guidance for integrating sustainable transportation infrastructure into real estate projects.

The “Sustainable Mobility and Real Estate: Opportunities for Creating Lasting Development Value” report reframes mobility as a key component of real estate strategies. How people move shapes real estate, and the design of real estate affects mobility choices. This emerging perspective is reshaping how private developers, public agencies, as well as communities collaborate to create places that are functional and vibrant.

Read more [here](#).



Energy Efficiency

The United Nations Development Programme in Ukraine, together with the Spanish Agency for International Development Cooperation, and the Government of Ukraine, reopened Myrcha Gymnasium in Borodianka (Kyiv Oblast), after extensive repair work.

Reconstruction was made under the “Re-envisioning education facilities in Ukraine: Rehabilitation and repairs of war-damaged social infrastructure” project, and followed the “Build-Back-Better” principle with a focus on accessibility, energy efficiency, and the creation of a modern learning environment. Interventions included the thermal insulation of the facade, roof, and floors, and upgrades to the heating, ventilation, air conditioning, and electrical systems, among others.

Read more [here](#).

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