



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.

OUR NEWS

ASSERT Training for people with disabilities

Free and accessible

Tailored for people with disabilities experiencing energy poverty.



01

Energy literacy and energy-saving behaviours

To help participants better understand and manage their energy use.



02



03

Increase awareness

Of energy efficiency measures, financial support, and renewable energy solutions.



04

Support intermediaries

In delivering inclusive, person-centred training.



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ASSERT project | Free Training Course for People with Disabilities

The European project ASSERT offers a free training course for people with disabilities that are directly affected by energy poverty. The course promotes energy literacy and energy-saving behaviours while raising awareness of energy efficiency measures, available financial support, and renewable energy solutions.

The training platform is fully accessible, featuring keyboard navigation, adjustable text size and contrast, clear focus indicators and link labels, screen reader compatibility, and support for reduced-motion preferences.

Click [here](#) to learn more.



ASSERT MODULES

INTRODUCTION TO DISABILITY

- ✓ Types of disabilities
- ✓ National and EU framework on disability
- ✓ Data collection and diagnosis



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Gain practical knowledge on energy poverty, energy efficiency and renewable energy solutions.



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ASSERT Academy | All 6 Modules are now available online!

Last May, the EU-funded LIFE project ASSERT launched its Academy. Through this platform, local authority officers, representatives of non-governmental organizations (NGOs) and organizations supporting persons with disabilities (PwDs), social workers, and other stakeholders can access FREE training material designed to help combat energy poverty in households with people with physical disabilities.

As the Cypriot partner of ASSERT, our Agency translated the material and adapted it to Cyprus' context. The material consists of 6 modules covering key topics related to energy poverty, energy efficiency, and renewable energy solutions. In addition to Greek (separate versions for Greece and Cyprus), the material is also available in English, French, Spanish, Italian, and Catalan.

To access the material please click [here](#). For more information, please contact Ms. Myrto Skouroupathi (Project Officer in Cyprus), at myrto.skouroupathi@cea.org.cy

Certification Software”:

- **November 26-27 & December 3-4**

DesirMED

25-26 September

DesirMED ADAPTATION FESTIVAL: The Mediterranean we desire

CO-ORGANIZED WITH
THE MED COAST DAY

- Policy panel**
Voices for coastal resilience in the Med
- Interactive Poster Session**
Showcasing MoS projects around MED
- Giant Interactive Map**
Learn, Play, Get Involved!
- Dancing Music Activities**
Local sounds, Mediterranean vibes
- Discussions, networking**
Community in Action!

Registration Open

Larnaca, Cyprus

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IUCN
GREEN LINK
COAST DAY
CD-MED
EUROPEAN UNION
Cyprus Energy Agency
Schwarze Erde e.V.
National Department of Economic Affairs, Ministry of Natural Resources
State Institute for Research, Knowledge and Innovation SRIK

FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES



Electricity Authority of Cyprus
Supply

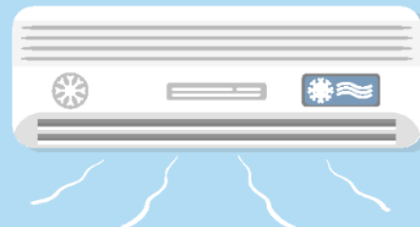
Funding scheme **EAC+**

**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 panels or air-conditioning units with new, high-energy-efficient ones will be accepting applications until 30 September 2028, or until the available budget is exhausted -whichever occurs first.

Lighting replacement is aimed at businesses, organizations, and Local Authorities, while the replacement of air-conditioning units is aimed at vulnerable consumers under the Tariff 08 of the Electricity Authority of Cyprus.

The Implementing Body of the Scheme is the Electricity Authority of Cyprus, and the Supporting Body is the Cyprus Energy Agency. To learn more and submit your application, 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

A recent study analyzing the impact of climate policies across 24 EU countries over the period from 2000 to 2024 found that increasing the share of renewable energy by just 1% over the long term could reduce carbon dioxide emissions by more than 9%, while a 1% increase in government spending on environmental protection could yield a reduction of nearly 7%.

To investigate this, the researchers compared CO₂ emissions data with government spending on environmental protection, environmental tax levels, the share of renewables, the number of clean-technology patents, and the volume of low-carbon equipment trade. Unlike many previous studies, they assessed not only the individual effect of each factor, but also how their effectiveness changes over time and depends on a country's emission level.

Read more [here](#).



Sustainable Cities - Sustainable Mobility

The role of sport in driving sustainable urban development and building more inclusive, better, and healthier places to live has been reinforced following the adoption of a new political declaration by the United Nations. This recognition aligns with the International Olympic Committee's ambition to make physical activity an everyday part of life and encourages cities to invest in sport and accessible sports facilities in their urban planning.

The message is clear: sport is not only about competition -it can also support social inclusion, promote healthy lifestyles, and build stronger communities.

Read more [here](#).



Energy Efficiency

In today's volatile energy landscape, improving energy efficiency offers small and medium-sized enterprises [SMEs] a practical way to reduce energy bills and emissions, improve profitability, strengthen resilience to future price shocks, and enhance their long-term economic competitiveness.

The potential savings are significant, according to the International Energy Agency [IEA]. An average small business, for instance, could save up to 30% on its energy bill through proven efficiency measures. Smaller firms can also benefit more from efficiency improvements than larger companies, because they often have greater opportunities to reduce energy waste.

However, SMEs continue to face structural barriers that limit their energy-efficiency potential. In this context, IEA calls for stronger government support, which includes simpler access to financing, energy audits, practical advice, and efficient technologies.

Read more [here](#).



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