



Clean energy for EU islands

Editorial

Catalysing Change: EU Islands on the Path to 100% Renewable Energy

The Clean Energy for EU Islands initiative has hit a significant milestone, [selecting 30 islands across 10 European](#) countries to accelerate their journey towards complete energy independence through 100% renewable sources by 2030.

Why this ambitious goal? Aligned with the EU's vision for carbon neutrality by 2050, this initiative recognises the need for a decentralised, digitised, and decarbonised energy transition. European islands, rich in local renewable resources, are seizing the opportunity to lead by example.

Transitioning to 100% RES islands brings numerous benefits, from cleaner environments and more sustainable societies to increased energy security and local job opportunities. However, the path is challenging, especially for small, isolated islands. That's where the Clean Energy for EU Islands secretariat steps in, offering technical support and capacity building to islands' communities.

These islands and island groups aren't just pioneers; they're setting the stage for a cleaner, greener future. The initiative underscores the EU's commitment to fostering resilient and sustainable energy landscapes. To learn more about the EU islands secretariat – join the island community for its annual forum in Pantelleria, Italy from 14 to 15 May 2024.

The Clean energy for EU islands secretariat's team wishes you a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year with this last newsletter of 2023!

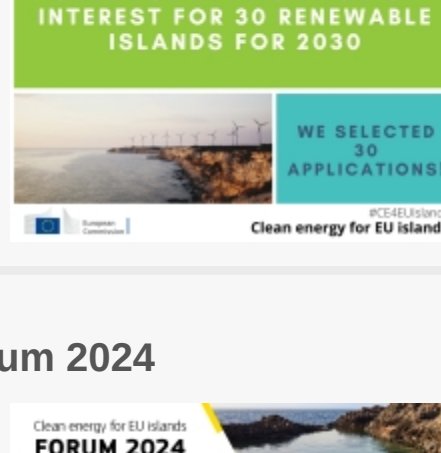
Jan Cornillie, Clean energy for EU islands secretariat coordinator

Clean energy for EU islands initiative

The Journey Begins 30 Renewable Islands for 2030 - Ready, Set, 30!

The EU islands' call for applications of interest for 30 renewable islands for 2030 has concluded, and the EU islands secretariat is thrilled to announce the selection of 30 islands and island groups from 10 European countries ready to lead the way towards a sustainable future.

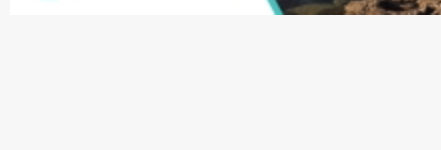
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Save the Date: #CE4EUIslands Forum 2024

We're excited to invite you to the EU Islands Forum on 14 to 15 May 2024, in Pantelleria, Italy. This gathering is a chance for us to come together, share insights and explore sustainable practices for our islands.

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Fifth Call for Postcards - Greetings from the Islands

The Clean energy for EU Islands secretariat started the fifth Call for Postcards! The deadline for this call is 12 January 2024, allowing participants to capture the unique beauty of EU islands and their renewable energy sources in the winter season.

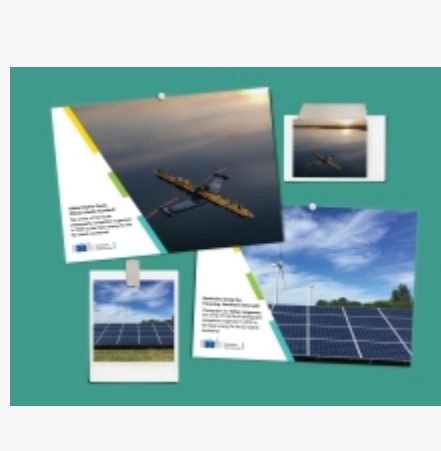
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Fourth Call for Postcards Winners - Greetings from the Islands

In a celebration of creativity and commitment to clean energy initiatives, the Clean Energy for EU Islands secretariat has unveiled the winners of its fourth Call for Postcards, titled "Greetings from the Islands."

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Exploring Hydrogen's Potential in Island Communities: Webinar Highlights

In the 9 November webinar, hosted by Green Hysland and the EU Islands Secretariat, experts delved into the promising role of hydrogen in island communities.

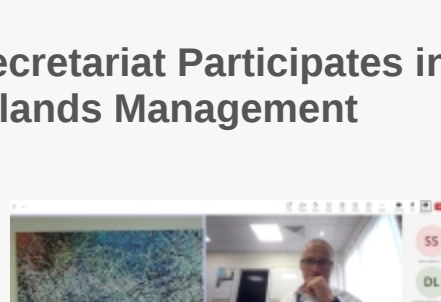
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The Clean energy for EU islands secretariat Participates in Eurelectric's Network of Experts Islands Management System Meeting

In a recent presentation at the trimestral meeting of Eurelectric's Network of Experts Islands Management System, Lucija Rakocevic provided key insights into the ongoing study on connection policies and management of energy systems.

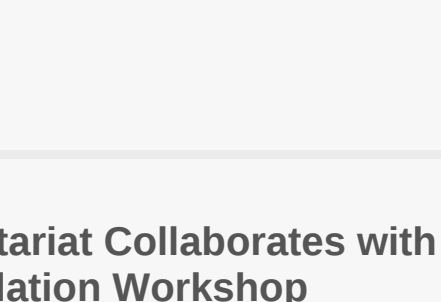
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Clean Energy for EU Islands Secretariat Collaborates with IDAE on Energy Storage and Regulation Workshop

The Clean energy for EU islands secretariat, in partnership with the Instituto para la Diversificación y Ahorro de la Energía (IDAE), recently hosted an in-person workshop in Madrid. The event focused on "Future Proofing Electricity Systems".

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News from the islands

ISLANDER: Start of Installation Phase on the Island of Borkum

The ISLANDER project has reached a significant milestone with the initiation of the installation phase on the island of Borkum this August. This marks a notable step forward in the project's efforts to introduce advanced energy solutions, contributing to the decarbonisation of the island.

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UIB Secures €18.7 Million for Campus Energy Transformation

The University of the Balearic Islands (UIB) has secured €18.7 million from a competitive call within the framework of Spain's Recovery, Transformation and Resilience Plan, thanks to funding from the EU's Next Generation funds.

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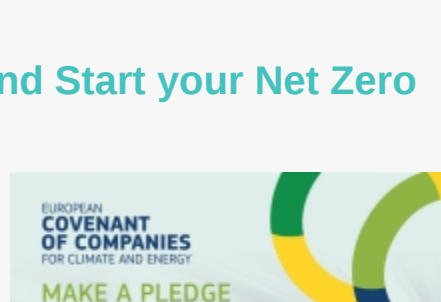


The Clean energy for EU islands initiative and beyond

Join the Covenant of Companies and Start your Net Zero Journey

The Covenant of Companies for Climate and Energy (CCCE) is seeking on all European companies that seek ways to navigate the path towards the decarbonisation of their business.

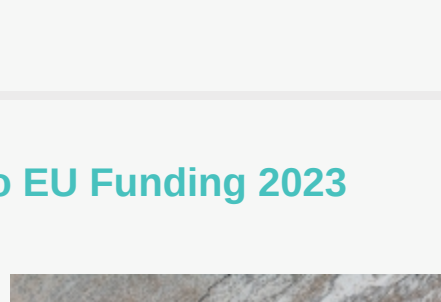
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EP Think Thank Publishes Guide to EU Funding 2023 Edition

The European Union provides financial support to a diverse range of beneficiaries, including regional and local authorities, NGOs, businesses, professionals, and citizens. To facilitate easy access to this information, the European Parliamentary Research Service has created the 'Guide to EU funding.'

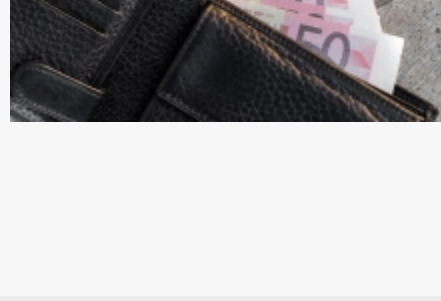
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The NESOI Platform

The NESOI platform is underpinned by explicit goals designed to facilitate a sustainable shift towards clean energy. While it does not exclusively focus on specific categories, it has predominantly extended invitations to island stakeholders.

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The World's First Commercial Autonomous, Electric Passenger Ferry Has Been Launched in Stockholm

EIT Urban Mobility decided to embrace the future of urban waterways by investing in Zeabuz, a Norwegian company revolutionizing urban waterways with sustainable and cost-effective transportation solutions.

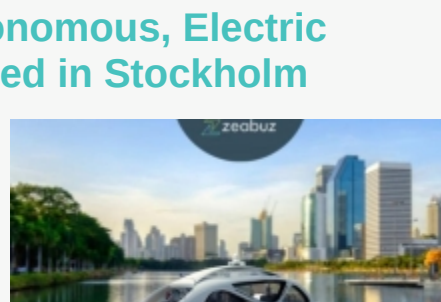
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Caribbean Cities Lead the Way in Climate Action: Highlights from COP28 Participation

As the curtain falls on COP28 in Dubai, the resounding contributions of Caribbean cities to the global climate dialogue stand out prominently.

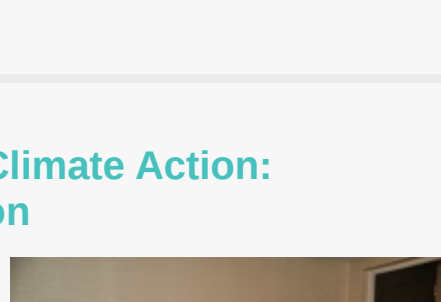
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Caribbean and Latin American Cities Progress in Climate Action: Global Covenant of Mayors Meeting during Climate Week 2023

The «Meeting of Latin American and Caribbean Cities of the Global Covenant of Mayors» took place with the participation of over 20 mayors from across the region on October 23 and 24 in the vibrant Panama City as part of the Climate Week 2023

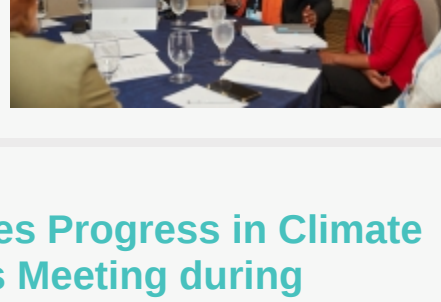
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Curious about how Member States Have Developed Legal Frameworks for Energy Communities?

The Energy Communities Repository has collected data from the European Union Member States on their existing policies and regulations for energy communities in the context of the Clean Energy Package. The information is published in a centralized and openly accessible database.

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Events

Airborne Wind Energy Conference 2024

The Airborne Wind Energy Conference 2024 will be hosted by the Universidad Carlos III de Madrid. The Airborne Wind Energy Conference (AWEC) was established in 2009 with the aim of bringing together prominent scientists, researchers, and entrepreneurs in the emerging field of airborne wind energy.

11 date | 24/04/2024 - 26/04/2024

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Clean energy for EU islands forum 2024

This isn't just a conference; it's an opportunity for us to connect, collaborate, and make positive changes together. Participate in interactive sessions, workshops, and discussions focusing on key aspects of island sustainability.

11 date | 14/05/2024 - 15/05/2024

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Global Sustainable Islands Summit 2024

Island Innovation's Global Sustainable Islands Summit co-hosted by the Government of Prince Edward Island aims to bring together professionals, researchers, policymakers, and industry leaders to discuss innovative solutions sustainable energy.

11 date | 22/05/2024 - 23/05/2024

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European Sustainable Energy Week 2024

EUSEW returns in 2024 in a hybrid format, in Brussels and online. It comprises a high-level Policy Conference, the EUSEW Awards, and the fifth European Youth Energy Day as well as opportunities to forge connections with the EUSEW community at the Energy Fair.

11 date | 11/06/2024 - 13/06/2024

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