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## Clean energy for EU islands

### Editorial

Dear EU islands community,

We proudly announce the outcomes of last year's [Follower Islands](#) call. Forty islands and island groups are joining our Clean energy for EU islands community, taking steps towards a 100% renewable energy future.

In January, the Clean energy for EU islands secretariat, in collaboration with the Conference of Peripheral Maritime Regions (CPMR), hosted its first [conference](#) in Brussels, focusing on the critical needs of island grids. The event highlighted the importance of affordable and clean energy, with islands positioned as frontrunners in the journey towards full decarbonisation. Additionally, we hosted two [workshops](#) in Brussels, focusing on spatial planning and smart electricity systems to accelerate the decarbonisation of European islands. The workshops brought together island representatives, energy experts, and market actors to share best practices and innovative solutions for sustainable energy transitions.

Last week, the secretariat organised a webinar launching the new [Islands Marketplace](#), which will support island communities in financing their energy transition projects. Islanders are welcome to submit their investment projects via the application [form](#).

The next upcoming event organised by the secretariat is this year's Clean energy for EU islands forum. The forum will again bring together island communities, energy experts, and stakeholders to explore the journey toward a 100% renewable energy future, balancing environmental, economic, and social priorities. Register and find more details on our website: [Clean energy for EU islands forum 2025](#)

If you cannot join this year's forum, you can still showcase your island's progress in clean energy by participating in our [Call for Videos](#).

Yours sincerely,

Your Clean energy for EU islands team

## Clean energy for EU islands initiative

### Exciting News from the EU islands secretariat: Follower Islands Announced!

The Clean energy for EU islands secretariat is delighted to unveil the outcomes of the recent Follower Islands Call, a significant step in supporting European islands on their journey to decarbonisation. This initiative forms part of the "30 for 2030" programme, aiming to create a blueprint for energy independence and sustainability across the EU's islands.



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### #CE4EUislands - Strengthening EU islands' grids and electricity systems towards a 100% renewable supply Conference in Brussels

The Clean energy for EU islands secretariat, in collaboration with the Conference of Peripheral Maritime Regions (CPMR), successfully hosted its first conference in Brussels. This event highlighted the critical needs of island grids and garnered significant attention from the European Parliament and the European Commission.



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## Launch of the Islands Marketplace: Webinar Recap

The webinar brought together a diverse group of stakeholders, including island communities and investors. Participants gained valuable insights into overcoming the potential financial barrier to achieving 100% renewable energy independence.

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## Call for Videos - Views from the Islands 2025

The Clean energy for EU islands secretariat is inviting island communities to submit videos that showcase their clean energy transition and ambitions. This initiative allows island communities to share their clean energy needs and goals with high-level European decision-makers.

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## EU Islands Take Key Steps Towards Decarbonisation at Brussels Workshops

The Clean energy for EU islands secretariat recently hosted two workshops in Brussels. The workshops focused on spatial planning and smart electricity systems to accelerate the decarbonisation of European islands.

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## Sixth Call for Postcards: Greetings from the Islands Winners

The Clean energy for EU islands secretariat has proudly announced the winners of its sixth Call for Postcards, celebrating the unique beauty and renewable energy initiatives of European islands. This year's winners are the islands of Pašman and Saba, whose stunning photographs captured the essence of sustainable energy in picturesque settings.

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## News from the islands

### Palma City Council Awards EU islands secretariat Regional Partner the Gold Medal

The Interdisciplinary Laboratory on Climate Change (LINCC-UIB), the regional partner of the Clean energy for EU islands secretariat in Spain and coordinator of island actions in the country, has been awarded the Gold Medal of the City of Palma 2024.

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### ISLANDER Project: Smart IT Platform up and running

The ISLANDER project, an EU-funded initiative to decarbonise the energy systems of EU islands, has started the testing phase of its Smart IT Platform (SITP). It controls renewable energy generation, storage and demand response technologies, enabling dynamic, data-driven decisions and optimal grid control.

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## The Clean energy for EU islands initiative and beyond

### Twelve Ukrainian cities join the SUN4Ukraine initiative of the EU Climate-Neutral and Smart Cities Mission

Twelve municipalities from across Ukraine are beginning a transformative journey to climate-neutral rebuilding. They have been announced as SUN4Ukraine's Flagship Municipalities and will be associated with the EU Climate-Neutral and Smart Cities Mission, which aims to achieve climate neutrality in 100 European cities by 2030.

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### Robinson Project: Enhanced Operational Capabilities for Aurelia A400

The Aurelia A400 unit, initially deployed to the Robinson project in Norway earlier this year, has temporarily returned to our Lappeenranta facility in Finland.

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## Events

### World Sustainable Energy Days 2024

This four-day conference on energy transition and climate neutrality offers participants six dedicated conferences, including the European Energy Efficiency Policy Conference, the European Pellet Conference, the Industrial Energy Efficiency Conference, and the Smart E-Mobility Conference.



date

05/03/2025 - 07/03/2025

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## #CE4EUislands – Workshop: Reimagining Land Transport: Green Choices for a Better Tomorrow

This workshop, which is focused on "Reimagining Land Transport: Green Choices for a Better Tomorrow," is part of this series and will take place in Saaremaa, Estonia.



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11/03/2025

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## #CE4EUislands - Workshop: Sustainable marine transport and the role of ports in decarbonising energy systems

This workshop, which is focused on "Sustainable marine transport and the role of ports in decarbonising energy systems" is part of this series and will take place in San Pietro, Italy,



date

10/04/2025

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## Save the Date: Joint Workshop on TEN-T Islands and Outermost Regions

The Workshop on TEN-T Islands and Outermost Regions will take place at Las Palmas, Gran Canaria, Spain. This event will bring together key stakeholders to discuss strategic priorities for islands and outermost regions within the TEN-T framework.



date

15/04/2025 - 16/04/2025

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## Clean energy for EU islands forum 2025

Join the EU islands secretariat on the Azores for the annual #CE4EUislands forum! Island communities, experts, and stakeholders will meet to explore how to achieve a 100% renewable energy future while balancing environmental, economic, and social priorities.



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14/05/2025 - 15/05/2025

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## 9th Hybrid Power Plants & Systems Workshop

The 9th International Hybrid Power Plants & Systems Workshop will be held at the Alandica Congress Center on the picturesque Åland Islands, Finland. This workshop focuses on advancing the dialogue around Hybrid Power Plants, Hybrid Power Systems, Micro-Grids, and Island Power Systems,



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03/06/2025 - 04/06/2025

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## European Sustainable Energy Week

The European Sustainable Energy Week (EUSEW) Policy Conference is the biggest conference dedicated to renewables and efficient energy use in Europe. The 19th edition of the Policy Conference will take place in a hybrid format, in Brussels and online.



date

10/06/2025 - 12/06/2025



venue

Brussels/online

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### Clean energy for EU islands

If you want further information about the latest activities and events from the Clean energy for EU islands secretariat, please let us know your inquiries by email: [info@euislands.eu](mailto:info@euislands.eu).

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