

**PRESS RELEASE**

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**ePLANET Follower Regions**

**7 new entities have joined ePLANET project as regional partners to work on the Energy Transition.**



The ePLANET project - funded under the Horizon 2020 programme of the European Commission - aims to develop and promote new tools and strategies to **enhance the governance of the energy transition in the public sector**.

To maximise the impact and enhance the replicability of project outcomes beyond the pilot regions – Zlín region in Czech Republic, Girona region in Catalonia and Crete island in Greece – the ePLANET alliance was looking for motivated Authorities and Energy Agencies to join the ePLANET obliging team as regional partner. Following the Open Call published in 2022, these are the selected entities:

The engagement of these follower regions represents a key milestone to maximize the replicability of ePLANET strategies and tools to other European regions and municipalities. They will support the ePLANET project to work towards the creation of a new digital framework to share harmonized information for a clean energy transition.



### Regional Development Fund of Central Macedonia, in Greece.



The Regional Development Fund of Central Macedonia is a private – law legal entity supporting the development process in the region of Central Macedonia and strengthening dissemination, entrepreneurship, innovation and new technologies in the priority areas of the region.

### Municipality of Fyli, in Greece.



Thoroughly understanding the sound effect of local governance on peoples' lives, this municipality from Attica prefecture aims to reduce the environmental footprint of the territory and to enhance environmental initiatives and sustainable energy infrastructures.

### Comunidade intermunicipal Tâmega e Sousa, in Portugal.



Tâmega e Sousa covers an area with several municipalities in northern Portugal, with a population of about 433.000 inhabitants. This intermunicipal entity, aiming to the realization of the common interests from the related municipalities, is coordinator of Covenant of Mayors in the area.

### South East energy agency, in Ireland.



South East Energy Agency is committed to supporting every energy user in using energy more efficiently, monitoring energy use and towards a greater choice of renewable energy sources. Working in Partnership, raising awareness, providing support and delivering low carbon in the region since 2012.

### Regional council of Baix Llobregat, in Catalonia.



This regional government body covering a 30-municipality area south of Barcelona city is the public authority in charge of the regional strategy planning as well as the promotion, development and implementation of initiatives related to areas such as sustainability and climate change mitigation & adaptation, among others.

### Varna Black Sea regional energy agency, in Bulgaria.



This regional energy agency covers the territory of the Bulgarian Black Sea Coast, and assists local authorities in the region in their in-house energy conservation, coordinates energy management and sustainable development strategies in the region and promotes awareness raising on energy conservation and RES development.

### Romanian agency for energy efficiency and environmental protection, in Romania.



This independent public agency is an NGO at the service of local communities. It manages local, regional and national projects in the field of sustainable development, sustainable energy and environmental protection.

### What's next? ePLANET replication activities in 2023

ePLANET project is currently on its 2<sup>nd</sup> year of development. During this 2023, the ePLANET partners will closely work with follower regions to include their needs for the fine tune of the ePLANET platform and the definition of the energy transition governance strategies. Moreover, follower regions will also benefit from tailored support, including:

- study visits to one of the project regions,
- peer to peer guidance and
- tailored webinars and workshops.

### ePLANET project

The project started in September 2021 and will last for 3 years. The consortium is composed of 10 partners from 6 countries (Catalonia, Czech Republic, Greece, Germany, Belgium and France).



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