



WORKSHOP

The European Green Deal and the National Energy and Climate Plan in Greece

Organized in cooperation with the Hellenic Parliament

Wednesday 20 October 2021

13:00 – 17:30 – Athens time

(12:00 – 16:30 – Brussels time)

Online Conference

Working languages: English and Greek – simultaneous interpretation provided

13:00 – 13:05: Opening words

Jan Geiss, Secretary General, EUFORES and Chair of the workshop

13:05 – 13:15: Welcoming words

Dionysia Avgerinopoulou, Member of the Hellenic Parliament and Chairperson, Special Permanent Committee of Environment Protection of the Hellenic Parliament

SESSION 1

Opening session: Renewable Energy and Energy Efficiency 13:15 - 14:00

Setting the Ambition for Renewable Energy and Energy Efficiency in Greece

The session will present the current situation for renewable energy and energy efficiency in Greece, and how they will be addressed via the National Energy and Climate Plan (NECP), considering the European Green Deal and Recovery Plan. The session intends to set the picture of the present and discuss the development of policies for the Greek renewable energy and energy efficiency system of the future.

Input speeches

- **13:15 – 13:25 The role of renewable energy sources and energy efficiency for a sustainable recovery and economy in Greece**
Antonis Marinos, Head of Office, General Secretariat for Energy & Mineral Resources, Ministry of Environment and Energy
- **13:25 – 13:35 The impact of the EU's Clean Energy Package & the European Green Deal on the Greek energy transition**
Hans van Steen, Deputy Director General, Coordination of the Just and Green Energy Transition, DG ENER, European Commission
- **13:35 – 13:45 The role of the European legislation for the Greek renewable energy and energy efficiency policies**
Maria Spyraiki, Member of European Parliament

13h45 – 14h00: Questions from Members of the Hellenic Parliament



SESSION 2

Energy Efficiency 14:00 - 14:45

EU Energy Efficiency Policy Implementation in Greece

This session discusses success stories on implementing energy efficiency policies in Greece and good practices for boosting investments. Held as part of the Energy Efficiency Watch 4 project, the session aims at exploring the conditions and argumentative drivers for effective policies.

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14:00 – 14:10 Energy Efficiency Watch 4 survey results and the impact of narratives on effective policy implementation

Daniel Becker, Director, Guidehouse

14:10 – 14:20 The Greek programme for energy efficiency in the private buildings sector

Yanna Nikou, Head of the Executive Authority of the PA, Energy Sector, Ministry of Environment and Energy

14:20 - 14:30 Energy efficiency priorities for energy transition on Greek islands

Kostas Komninos, Director, DAFNI Network of Sustainable Greek Islands

14:30 – 14:45 Questions from Members of the Hellenic Parliament

14:45 – 15:00 Break

SESSION 3

Energy Efficiency 15:00 – 16:00

Open discussion: enabling factors and barriers for implementing energy efficiency in Greece

The Energy Efficiency Watch 4 project tries to create a better understanding of the national debate and motivation on efficiency policies and good practices. This session focuses on the influential narratives in Greece. Preliminary feedback received from business stakeholders in the project will form part of the discussion.

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15:00 - 15:45 Expert Panel

Moderator: Daniel Becker, Director, Guidehouse

- **Yanna Nikou**, Head of the Executive Authority of the PA, Energy Sector, Ministry of Environment and Energy
- **Alice Corovessi**, Managing Director, Institute of Zero Energy Buildings
- **Dimitrios Athanasiou**, Energy Efficiency Policy Officer, DG ENER, European Commission

15:45 – 16:00: Questions from Members of the Hellenic Parliament



The sessions 1, 2 and 3 of this Workshop have been organized in the framework of the Energy Efficiency Watch 4 project. Energy Efficiency Watch 4 (EEW4) is a HORIZON 2020 project, coordination, and support action, aiming at supporting policy makers in EU MS in improving the degree of successful implementation of policy instruments for energy efficiency, and thus contribute to reaching the target of Energy Efficiency Directive (EED).

SESSION 4 Renewable Energy 16:00 - 17:00

Towards a new and sustainable Greek energy system

This session will discuss the trends of the new energy system and energy markets in Greece. Innovative initiatives and new business models from different sectors will be presented to show how different actors are implementing solutions, overcoming the challenges faced by the traditional energy system and thereby shaping the future Greek energy system.

Chair: Jan Geiss, Secretary General, EUFORES

- 16:00 - 16:15** **Greece: 2020 Renewable Energy champion of the Balkans**
Stella Zacharia, Head of Renewable Energy Assessment and Market Regulation,
Terna Energy
- 16:15 - 16:25** **Wind energy prospects in Greece**
Panagiotis Papastamatiou, CEO Hellenic Wind Energy Association
- 16:25 – 16:35** **Developing renewable energy sources in Greece taking into consideration the need to protect nature and ecosystems**
Spyros Kouvelis, Director, EPLO Institute for Sustainable Development, former Deputy Minister for foreign economic, cultural, and environmental affairs

16h35 - 16h45 Questions from Members of the Hellenic Parliament

SESSION 5 Renewable Energy 16:45 - 17:30

Open discussion: Shape and Fund the renewable energy transition in Greece

This session intends to discuss the financial opportunities for the energy transition and renewable energy sources in Greece, as well as the different existing initiatives to develop renewable energy projects at local, regional, or national level, and through public, private, or collaborative funding.

Chair and Moderator: Jan Geiss, Secretary General, EUFORES

- 16:45 – 16:55** **Input speech**
Panagiotis Papastamatiou, CEO Hellenic Wind Energy Association



16:55 - 17:20 Expert Panel

- **Valentina Dedi**, Lead Economist at KBR, Deputy Director of Access for Women in Energy and Head of Global Operations at Greek Energy Forum
- **Spyros Kouvelis**, Director, EPLO Institute for Sustainable Development, former Deputy Minister for foreign economic, cultural, and environmental affairs.
- **Thomas André**, Director of Operations, REN21

17:20 – 17:25 Questions from Members of the Hellenic Parliament

17:25 - 17:30 Closing Remarks

Jan Geiss, Secretary General, EUFORES



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