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## LOCAL Policies for GREEN Energy – LOCAL4GREEN

**Interreg MED Programme – 1<sup>st</sup> Call for Modular Projects**

**Priority Axis 2: Fostering low-carbon strategies and energy efficiency in specific MED territories: cities, islands and remote areas**

**Specific Objective 2.2: To increase the share of renewable local energy sources in energy mix strategies and plans in specific MED territories**

### Project description

LOCAL4GREEN will support local authorities for defining and implementing innovative local fiscal policies, intended to promote renewable energy sources (RES) both in the public and private sector and households, mainly in the framework of the Sustainable Energy Action Plans adopted by the signatory local authorities to the Covenant of Mayors.

The project will be developed in specific MED territories: rural areas and islands. In these kind of territories, where local authorities have economical and technical constraints, renewable energy sources promotion plans should prioritize collaboration and active roles for public and private sectors. Green fiscal policies have a key role in increasing renewable energy sources, being proper tools to engage both public and private actors in their promotion.

The project was presented in the Module 2: Testing, and this type of projects has the objective to test instruments, policies, strategies, plans, through pilot activities, in the perspective of setting up solutions applicable to a wider set of users and territories. The pilot activities will necessarily include an evaluation and a final phase for the transferability of the results in the territories concerned by the project.

So, the project will support the testing of innovative local green fiscal policies, and the monitoring of their results in spreading renewable energy sources. As well, the project will facilitate capitalization of the best practices and application in other municipalities, at national and transnational levels, since models of green local fiscal policy will be elaborated and disseminated as well as technical support will be provided. In this way, the project will provide to local authorities with fiscal policy models to be included in their own strategies and plans, especially in the framework of the Covenant of Mayors.

### Partners

- Valencian Federation of Municipalities and Provinces, FVMP, from Spain (Lead Partner).
- MUSOL Foundation, MUSOL, from Spain.
- Malta Intelligent Energy Management, MIEMA, from Malta.
- North-West Croatia Regional Energy Agency, REGEA, from Croatia.
- Development Agency of Eastern Thessaloniki's Local Authorities, ANATOLIKI, from Greece.
- Lazio Region Association of Cities and Municipalities, ANCI Lazio, from Italy.
- Building and Civil Engineering Institute, ZRMK, from Slovenia.
- Cyprus Energy Agency, CEA, from Cyprus.
- University of Algarve, UAlg, from Portugal.
- Association of Albanian Municipalities, AAM, from Albania.

### Duration

The project has a duration of 30 months, from 1st November 2016 till 30th April 2019.

### Cofinancing

The project has a total eligible budget of 2,013,423.15 €. The cofinancing rate is 85%, so the contribution of Interreg MED Programme to the project is 1,711,409.70 €. The cofinancing comes from the European Regional Development Fund, except in the case of Albania, that comes from funds of the Instrument for Pre-Accession Assistance.