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## LIFE URBANPROOF

### CLIMATE PROOFING URBAN MUNICIPALITIES



**Welcome to the first newsletter of the LIFE UrbanProof project!**

The UrbanProof eNewsletter will inform you about the progress, the results and the events of the LIFE URBANPROOF project.

## LIFE UrbanProof

### Climate Proofing Urban Municipalities

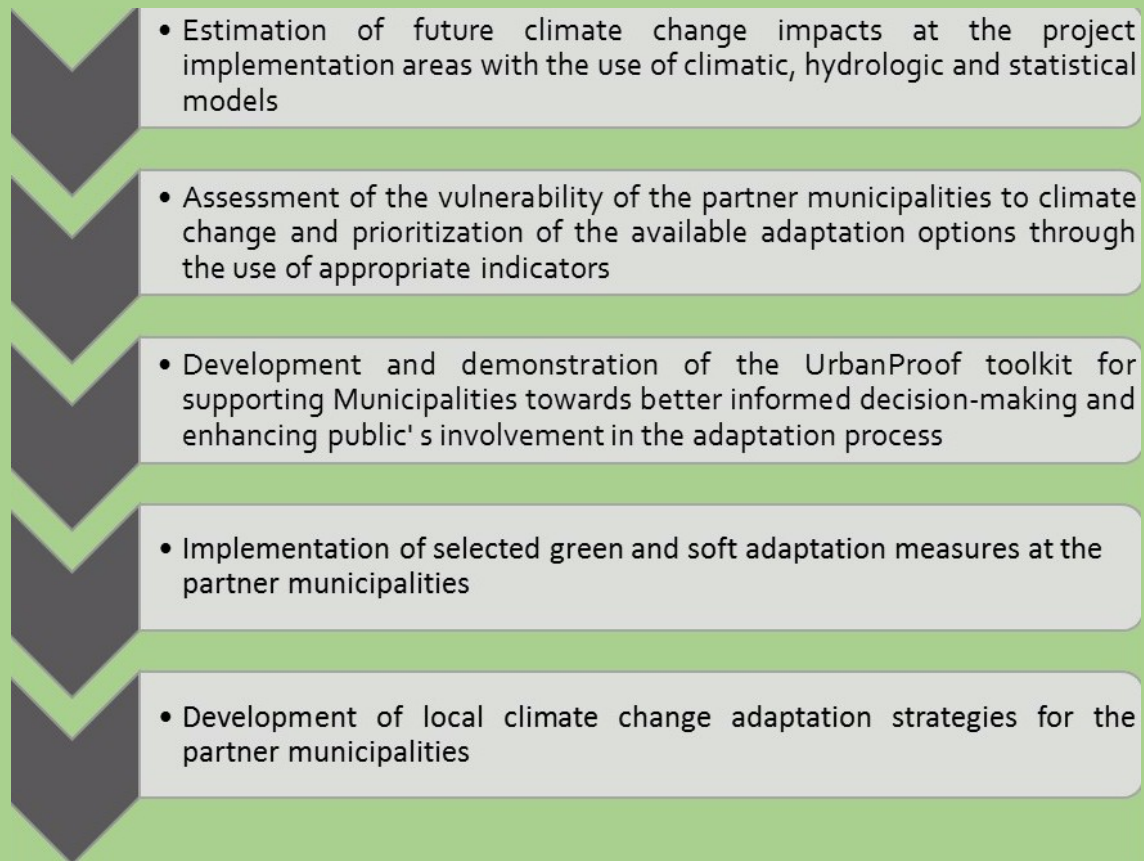
The overall aim of the LIFE UrbanProof project is to increase the resilience of municipalities to climate change equipping them with a powerful tool for supporting better informed decision making on climate change adaptation planning.

The project is implemented by the Department of Environment, of the Ministry of Agriculture, Rural Development and Environment of Cyprus (**coordinator**), the National Technical University of Athens (NTUA), the National Observatory of Athens (NOA), the University of Venice (IUAV) and the Municipalities of Reggio Emilia (Italy), Strovolos (Cyprus), Lakatamia (Cyprus) and Peristeri (Greece).

The project initiated in October 2016 and has a duration of 44 months. The project is co-financed by the European Union through the financial instrument LIFE14 - Climate Change Adaptation (CCA). [Read more](#)



## MAIN EXPECTED OUTCOMES OF THE PROJECT



## EVENTS

In the frame of the LIFE UrbanProof project a series of events will be organized, including meetings, workshops, training seminars and demonstration events.

Up to now one kick-off meeting between the project partners and the launching events in the partner municipalities have taken place. [Read more](#)

### The UrbanProof project's kick-off meeting (Nicosia, Cyprus)

The kick-off meeting of the UrbanProof project was held on the 4<sup>th</sup> of November at the Cultural Centre of Strovolos, Nicosia, Cyprus. Representatives from all the associated beneficiaries (MANRE, NOA, NTUA, IUAV, Peristeri, Lakatamia, Strovolos and Reggio Emilia) participated at the meeting. [Read more](#)





## LAUNCHING EVENTS OF THE PROJECT

### 1st launching event-Nicosia, Cyprus

The Municipalities of Strovolos and Lakatamia in cooperation with the Cyprus Energy Agency, successfully organized a one day event for a) the Covenant of Mayors for Climate & Energy and b) for informing and engaging stakeholders regarding the URBANPROOF project. The conference took place at the Semeli hotel (Nicosia) on December 8<sup>th</sup>, 2016, with invited speakers from Cyprus and abroad.

During the event, a variety of issues were tackled besides the UrbanProof project and the Covenant of Mayors initiative, such as the progress of Cyprus local authorities in developing and implementing Sustainable Energy and Climate Action Plans; the transition of Cyprus to an Energy Efficient and Low-Carbon Economy; nature-based solutions for climate change adaptation; and best practices from the implementation of energy efficiency measures in Europe. [Read more](#)





### 2nd launching event-Reggio Emilia, Italy

The second launching event was held on the 16<sup>th</sup> of January 2017 at the Municipality of Reggio Emilia, Italy where about 75 people participated.

During the event, the UrbanProof project and its main actions and objectives were presented while the importance of active stakeholder involvement in the project was highlighted.

Furthermore, the regional climate change trends and the climate change related risks for the municipalities, as well as the potential adaptation measures and best practices were presented. [Read more](#)



### 3rd launching event-Municipality of Peristeri, Greece

The third launching event was held on the 3<sup>rd</sup> of April 2017 at the Municipality of Peristeri in Greece and was attended by 50 people, where except for the Greek project partners (PERISTERI, NTUA, NOA), other representatives from public and private bodies that participated were Piraeus University of Applied Sciences, Center of Renewable Energy Sources, West Attica Municipalities Development Association, Green Evolution S.A. e.t.c.

Apart from the presentation of the main actions and aims of the project, other very interesting presentations that took place were about the climate change trends and impacts on the urban environment, the sustainable energy action plan of Peristeri, the Life "Clim'Foot" project on the calculation of greenhouse gas emissions from companies and entities and last but not least, the the beneficial effects of the bioclimatic interventions that took place at the Chorafa area, in Peristeri. [Read more](#)





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**LIFE Ref. No:** LIFE15

**CCA/CY/000086**

**Areas of implementation:** Cyprus, Greece, Italy

**Duration:** 44 months (01/10/2016 - 31/05/2020)

**Project Budget:** 1,854,000 € (EC Co-funding: 60%)



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