







## **INFIRE**

## Innovative Financing solutions for climate planning of REsilient and carbon neutral living areas

The Mediterranean is at the forefront of the fight against climate change, requiring cities and regions to act quickly and cooperate to prevent further negative environmental, social, and economic implications. **INFIRE addresses two key aspects of the slow transition towards climate neutrality and climate adaptation in the Euro-MED region: low capacities of public authorities for the development and integration of strategic planning documents and the inability to properly evaluate and mobilize public and private capital for large-scale investment projects needed for reaching EU's 2030 targets. INFIRE gathers experienced partners with highly complementary skills that cooperate to establish a long-lasting support structure to build capacities of public authorities in the involved regions for developing, implementing, and monitoring holistic climate adaptation and carbon neutrality (CACN) solutions and policy instruments. INFIRE provides jointly developed and practical solutions in form of:** 

- Green Finance Evaluation Toolkit for triggering financing of CACN projects and long-term strategies with innovative financing schemes
- Enhanced and aligned strategic planning documents and public financing programmes to support the transition to resilience and carbon neutrality
- Tailor-made curriculum and intensive capacity-building programme for public authorities of the Euro-MED region
- Citizens' engagement through co-creation process and civic-crowdfunding models, promoting behavioral change
- Piloting 8 concrete and innovative CACN solutions for future replication and upscaling.







The originality of INFIRE project arises from a holistic bottom-up approach that addresses both the supply (public authorities as project developers) and demand side (financial institutions and citizens as investors) by understanding their drivers and shortcomings and bridging the gap through intensive cooperation with both sides and promotion of best available practices.



**Pilot activities:** The INFIRE project includes a series of pilot activities designed to increase citizens' and stakeholders' engagement and participation through co creation processes, contributing to behavioural change for greener Euro-MED living areas. The main goal of the INFIRE project it is to build capacity through training and testing, for implementing and monitoring climate adaptation and carbon neutrality solutions for greener Euro-MED living areas. The INFIRE project includes different pilots described below:

- 1. Biosolar green roofs in the City of Karlovac (HR)
- 2. Nature-based solutions for urban areas in Arrábida (PT)
- 3. Nature-based solutions in municipal schoolyards in Belleville (FR)
- EE heating and cooling for municipal buildings in Centar Sarajevo (BA)
- Energy Help Desk for citizens to tackle energy poverty in Peshtera(BG)
- Mobility Hub incorporating RES and NBSs in the centre of Kalamata (EL)



## **Partners:**

- North-West Croatia Regional and Climate Energy and Climate Agency, Croatia
- Region of Peloponnese, Greece
- Energy and Environment Agency of Arrábida, Portugal
- Regional Energy Agency of Pazardzhik, Bulgaria
- Sarajevo Economic Region Development Agency, Bosnia and Herzegovina

- AREA Science Park, Italy
- Dynamic Vision, Greece
- Auvergne Rhône-Alpes Energy Environment Agency, France
- Atmo Auvergne-Rhône-Alpes, France
- City of Karlovac, Croatia.



**Territories:** Urban





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