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Interreg Europe Project ZEROCO2 awarded additional funds to continue on its decarbonisation journey

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From 2016 to 2020, the [Interreg Europe ZEROCO2 project](#) defined Near Zero CO₂ Emission Buildings due to energy use (NZCO2EB). The project presented various benefits, which resulted from various types of building. The original project demonstrated the combination of different technologies and energy efficiency sources – these technologies could be used to achieve the set carbon reduction targets to design tailored policies, which promoted NZCO2EB at the local, regional, national and EU level.

ZEROCO2 also presented various financial methodologies in order to promote these types of buildings. The ZEROCO2 project has recently received additional EU Interreg Europe funds to continue its applauded work in increasing awareness of and sharing best practices in the realm of decarbonisation technologies for buildings. The extension of ZEROCO2 shall move another step forward targeting the decarbonisation agenda, net zero policies, including the EU Green Deal, by addressing policy instruments to optimise allocated recovery funds with a focus on deep renovation of public and residential buildings.

The international consortium including the University of Malta's Institute for Sustainable Energy shall continue to work together toward promoting decarbonising building technologies. For the next 12 months, the extended ZEROCO2 project shall continue to make waves in the field of energy efficiency in buildings, extending beyond its original aims, established in 2016, to meet the EU target to reduce emissions by 20% by 2020. The ZEROCO2 project shall continue to decouple economic growth from the use of resources and support the shift towards decarbonisation, increased use of renewable energy sources and promotion of energy efficiency – this time, on the path toward net zero carbon economy by 2050.

A first online stakeholders' meeting is planned for the 15th December 2021 14:00-16:00. Interested parties can request the online link to join the event by sending an email to charles.yousif@um.edu.mt

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Project partners

1. Local Energy Agency Spodnje Podravje (LEASP) – Slovenia



2. Mediterranean Agronomic Institute of Chania (MAICH) – Greece



3. Molise Region – Italy



4. Thermopolis Ltd. – Finland



5. Agency for Sustainable Med Cities & Territories (AVITEM) – France



6. University of Malta, Institute for Sustainable Energy – Malta



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