

Clima-Med

Acting for Climate in
South Mediterranean



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Clima-Med is an EU-funded project that supports the transition of south Mediterranean countries to a sustainable, low carbon and climate-resilient economy by enhancing their energy security and strengthening their adaptative capacity to climate change impact.

Clima-Med recognises the power of working together, circulating information, and learning from one another about the successes and challenges of implementing climate actions. Together with its partners in the beneficiary countries, the Clima-Med project designs and implements capacity- building measures to scale up best practices from local and national levels to a regional perspective. These efforts contribute to sound decision-making, secured political commitments and increased effectiveness of climate actions.

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Phase I 2018-2022:

Operating in 8 Southern Neighbourhood countries: **Algeria, Egypt, Israel, Jordan, Lebanon, Morocco, Palestine & Tunisia**, Clima-Med implemented three work packages aiming at

- Improving climate change governance and mainstreaming climate action in coordination with national authorities dealing with Climate Change
- Preparing cities' Sustainable Energy Access and Climate Action Plans (SEACAPs) jointly with local authorities
- Developing proposals to finance cities' climate actions and matching them with investors and funding institutions

Clima-Med has concretely backed local authorities in financing concrete actions, mounting quick-win pilot projects that are easily replicable, and preparing funding proposals to match with investors and development agencies.

Clima-Med has boosted Communication and Awareness Raising and prepared multiple tools to promote multi-stakeholder dialogue, conduct joint campaigns, empower local authorities as awareness-raisers, and engage citizens against Climate Change.

Phase II 2022-2025:

Clima-Med Phase II is structured around two main components:

I. Consolidate the results and support the sustainability of Clima-Med I by means of:

- Empower the National Coordination Group to be maintained beyond Clima-Med's lifespan, making enhanced use of the Climate Action Strategy (CAS).
- Support the implementation of the SEACAP Support Mechanisms
- Enhance mobilisation around the Covenant of Mayors for the Mediterranean
- Ensure appropriation of the Climate Finance Guidebook
- Support access funding to implement SEACAPs actions
- Clima-Med's successful approach to SEACAP development
- Strengthen communication around EU Green Deal

Overall achievements

8 National Coordination Groups (NCGs) created	50 Ministries and National agencies associated	7 Climate Action Strategies (CAS) prepared	426 cities' staff trained on developing SEACAPs	69 SEACAPs prepared
92 Cities covered by the 69 SEACAPs	9 million people to benefit from SEACAPs' measures.	7 SEACAP Support Mechanisms proposed to support plans' preparation & implementation	30 Funding models of pilot projects prepared	1 Climate Finance Guidebook produced to mainstream climate funding
CoM Med Covenant of Mayors for the Mediterranean set to serve 19 countries	143 Cities joined CoM Med	9 Documentary films produced	2 websites www.climamed.eu www.com-med.org and social media tools operating	3 Years Extension of Clima-Med 2022-2025

II. Provide technical support for the implementation of Climate for Cities (C4C) projects:

The EU has launched the “Climate for Cities” (C4C) Programme to promote a transition towards greener and climate-resilient cities in the Southern Neighbourhood, in line with countries’ commitments under the Paris Agreement, making optimum use of climate finance instruments.

Six projects included in SEACAPs have been selected and awarded EU grants to support their implementation.

These projects feature partnerships between municipalities, NGOs, academic organisations and other relevant actors. They include infrastructure components coupled with ‘soft’ complementary actions aimed at capacity building, awareness raising and engagement of local populations in climate actions. These projects will be implemented in Jordan, Israel, Lebanon, Palestine, and Tunisia.

Throughout the projects’ implementation, the Clima-Med team will provide technical assistance in multiple ways:

1. Support the European Commission in the selection of demonstration projects
2. Support Grant Beneficiaries during the projects’ implementation by means of capacity building, assistance to ensure sound procurement and contracting norms, quality control, and effective monitoring, audits and evaluations
3. Ensure program monitoring and reporting to the European Commission services through field visits and a set database with information related to the projects’ management, progress, results and deliverables, along with an early warning system to promptly handle obstacles.
4. Promote the exchange of information and the replication of innovative actions to enhance C4C’s results; Support communication and visibility actions; Conduct events; Disseminate information through the Clima-Med website and its media including online exchange platforms.

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CoM Med, which is the regional affiliation of the Global Covenant of Mayors (GCoM), is an EU funded voluntary-based initiative that was set up and is operated by Clima-Med. It brings together local authorities that are committed to advancing climate solutions to implement National Determined Contributions (NDCs) requirements in 19 countries including: **Algeria, Egypt, Israel, Jordan, Lebanon, Libya, Morocco, Palestine, Syria, Tunisia, as well as Bahrain, Iran, Iraq, Kuwait, Oman, Qatar, Saudi Arabia, United Arab Emirates and Yemen**

Clima-Med promotes and supports adherence to CoM Med and provides Helpdesk support to prepare SEACAPs through two CoM Med regional offices: one in Rabat for Maghreb, and one in Beirut for Mashreq. The CoM Med website, managed by Clima-Med gives signatory cities access to the *MyCovenant* reporting platform .

By November 2022, over 140 cities have made the commitment to join the CoM Med, and 100 municipalities have finalised their SEACAPs.

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