

# European Climate Initiative (EUKI)

We support the realisation of ideas to accelerate climate action in Europe. We finance climate action projects, provide training and bring the European climate community together – to ensure that civil society engagement has a lasting impact.

## What do the the projects do?

### Mitigate Emissions, Save Money

#### Young Energy Europe

Some 1600 young professionals from 600 companies in 14 countries have participated in trainings since 2018, learning to identify potential savings in their organisations and put initial ideas directly into practice. As well as helping the enterprises to save energy and money, the measures also increase the acceptance of climate action initiatives in the private sector.

### Ensure Fossil Fuels are Phased out Fairly

#### Regions and Municipalities for a Just Transition

The project established the Forum of Mayors on Just Transition, which brings together European mayors from coal-mining regions for regular discussions on their cities' socially responsible exit from coal. In 2018, 58 participants signed the first joint declaration.

## What is the idea?

### The EU intends to achieve climate neutrality by 2050

and provides a common roadmap in form of the European Green Deal. It underscores that climate action is an opportunity for economy and society and secures our future. This is where the EUKI comes in, strengthening over 440 civil society organisations across countries in their commitment to climate action. The funding volumes range from 120,000 to 1 million Euros. The EUKI has evolved into a network of trust in which climate activists from across Europe engage with one another in dialogue and mutual learning.

130.000

Europeans trained by EUKI projects

108 Mill. EUR

Euros in funding

468

Active organisations

31

European countries

>150 Mill.

People reached through media coverage in 2023

90

EUKI Academy events with around 4000 participants

255

Climate action projects financed

6

Key Topics



"Thanks to EUKI funding, the German Chambers of Commerce Abroad have trained over 1,600 young professionals from 14 Central and Eastern European countries to become Energy Scouts as part of the Young Energy Europe project. The Energy Scouts receive energy efficiency training, with the aim of applying their newly acquired knowledge in a practical project within their company. This reduces energy costs and resource consumption, as well as CO<sub>2</sub> emissions, in the participating companies. Since 2018, Energy Scouts have successfully identified potential savings of over 200 GWh of electricity and over 160,000 tonnes of CO<sub>2</sub> in the workplace.

**Marco Trisciuzzi**  
Managing Director of AHK Slovakia



'In our Clean Heat project, EUKI funding enabled us to conduct analyses of air pollution in the country and draft strategies for low-emission heat generation. The results were published in 2020 by the Polish Ministry of Climate and Environment, and significantly informed the decision to stop burning coal in cities by 2030 and villages by 2040.'

**Dr. Joanna Maćkowiak-Pandera**  
President and Founder of think tank Forum Energii



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