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# Monthly Bulletin - November 2025





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# November Focus

## Driving Innovation and Collaboration: New AI Tools, Members and Expanding Municipal Climate Action

As **COP31** is set to take place in Antalya in 2026, **Türkiye steps into the global spotlight**, highlighting its rising role in advancing climate action and sustainable urban development. Building on the progress achieved at **COP30**, where **new frameworks and partnerships** strengthened international climate commitments, **municipalities in Türkiye are increasingly positioned to translate these global ambitions into tangible local impact**. November was a month of **growth and innovation** for the MLGP4Climate community. We welcomed two new members—**Sivas and Mudanya municipalities**—whose dedication to sustainable urban planning enriches our expanding network. Our continued **consultations** provided targeted support to municipalities, reinforcing practical strategies for climate-resilient development. A major highlight this month was the **launch of our groundbreaking ChatGPT tool**, designed to streamline SECAP development and enhance municipal planning. Complementing this, our AI SECAP workshop brought together **almost 100 participants**, where our expert demonstrated how AI can revolutionize municipal climate planning, from data analysis to actionable strategies **Together, these initiatives reaffirm MLGP4Climate's mission: empowering municipalities across Türkiye to implement innovative, climate-resilient solutions while leveraging cutting-edge tools and fostering collaboration at every level.**





# Antalya: The World's Host for COP31





# MLGP4Climate congratulates Türkiye for being the next host of COP31!

**Türkiye readying to be center of global climate diplomacy  
by hosting next year's COP31 conference**

26.11.2025

**Türkiye COP31'e Dönem Başkanlığı  
ve Ev Sahipliği Yapacak**

**COP31'in dönem başkanı ve ev sahibi Türkiye  
olacak**

**Turkey set to host COP31 after reaching  
compromise with Australia**

**Turkiye to host COP31 climate summit  
after Australia concedes bid**



We are delighted to congratulate Türkiye on winning the bid to host and preside over COP31 in 2026 – a **milestone** that brings the world to **Antalya** (core COP events) with a **World Leaders Summit in İstanbul**. At the same time, this success builds on a **ground-breaking agreement with Australia**, marking a rare and powerful example of international cooperation: while Türkiye will host the conference and hold the COP Presidency, Australia will lead the negotiation process leading up to and during COP31.



## **Why this matters — for Türkiye, for municipalities, and for the global climate agenda**

Hosting COP31 offers an unprecedented **platform** for cities, regions, local governments, civil society and private stakeholders in Türkiye to **showcase climate-smart urban transformation, green infrastructure, renewable energy and sustainable development**. Through COP31, Türkiye can **attract global attention, climate finance, green investments and promote international partnerships** — a moment to elevate local innovation, green growth and just transition agendas.



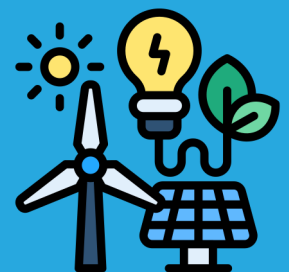


## What COP31 could unlock – a call to action for the MLGP4Climate community

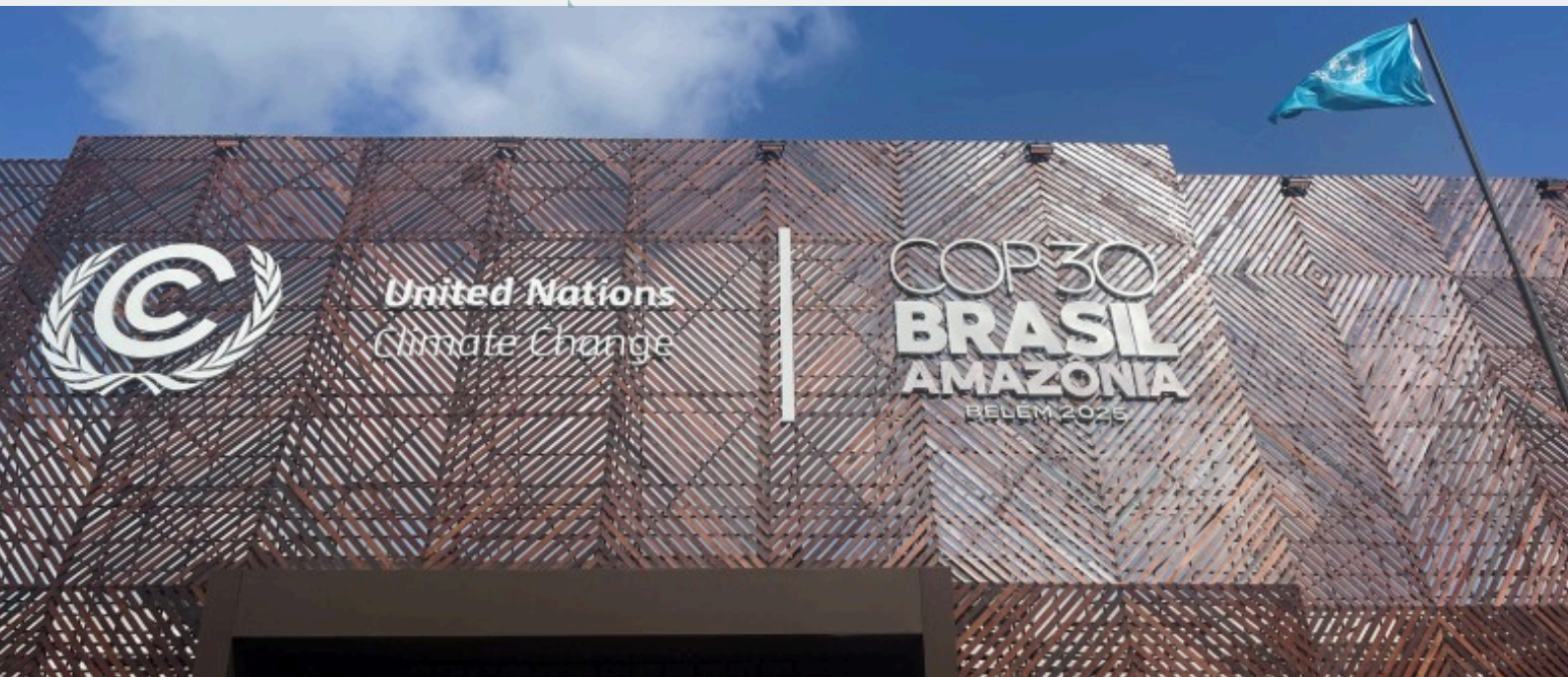
As part of MLGP4Climate, we believe this moment offers **unique opportunities** to:

- **Highlight best-practice municipal solutions:** renewable energy deployment, sustainable transport, energy-efficient housing, low-carbon urban development – and share these models internationally.
- **Mobilise multi-level cooperation:** national and local governments, private sector, civil society and international partners – to advance green transition in a coordinated way.
- **Leverage COP31 attention to attract climate finance, green investment and technical cooperation** to support municipal climate plans, resilience building, and sustainable development.
- **Engage youth, communities and civil society around climate justice** – ensuring that COP31 becomes a platform not just for global leaders, but for bottom-up climate action and inclusion.

Türkiye hosting COP31 gives us all – national institutions, municipalities, local stakeholders, international partners – a shared moment to push for tangible climate action. For MLGP4Climate, this is an invitation to step up, coordinate, and advance our vision for a greener, resilient and inclusive future. Tebrikler Türkiye -let's seize this historic opportunity together!







## COP30 in Brief - Building Momentum

The 30th UNClimate Conference, held 10–21 November 2025 in Belém, Brazil, wrapped up with a package that underlines solidarity, renewed commitments - yet also exposes some gaps in global climate ambition. COP30 may not have resolved all global climate challenges, but it reaffirmed a shared commitment, opened new space for implementation, and delivered renewed energy to push for clean, just and resilient transition. For MLGP4Climate, the message is clear: be proactive, prepare, act, and bring leadership.





## ✓ Key Advances

- + COP30 agreed to significantly **boost support for vulnerable and developing countries**, calling for a **tripling of adaptation finance** to help communities confront rising climate risks. The summit underlined a **renewed push toward renewables, energy efficiency and clean energy infrastructure**.
- + Analysis presented during COP30 suggested that if pledged measures (renewables + efficiency + methane cuts) are implemented globally, they could reduce projected warming nearly by 1°C — offering a concrete pathway to slow climate breakdown.
- + Flatly put: COP30 emphasised that the fight against climate change must move beyond words — toward implementation, financing, and global cooperation across states, cities, businesses and civil society.

## ⚠ What Fell Short

- ✗ Despite calls by more than 80 countries for a **clear roadmap to phase out fossil fuels**, the final COP30 agreement **omitted explicit language on fossil-fuel exit** — a notable shortcoming given scientific urgency.
- ✗ Critics note the package remains **insufficiently ambitious**: without a firm fossil-fuel exit strategy or stronger mitigation commitments, staying on track for the 1.5°C target remains unlikely.
- ✗ The **prospects for “just transition”** — protecting workers, communities, social equity — remain **fragile**. While COP30 introduced frameworks and pledges, many observers emphasize that more concrete, binding commitments should be agreed on.





# MLGP is Expanding!

This month, we are excited to announce that **Sivas Municipality** and **Mudanya Municipality** have officially joined the MLGP4Climate platform! Their membership marks another **milestone** in our growing network of municipalities committed to climate action, sustainable development, and collaborative innovation. By joining MLGP4Climate, Sivas and Mudanya are stepping into a **vibrant community** of local institutions, experts, and practitioners working together to **share knowledge, exchange best practices, and accelerate local climate solutions**. We celebrate this achievement and look forward to strong collaboration, inspiring initiatives, and impactful projects with our newest members. The MLGP4Climate family keeps growing —**together, we are building a more sustainable and resilient future for Türkiye and beyond!**



# **Sivas Municipality: New Member of MLGP4Climate**


**SIVAS MUNICIPALITY IS LOCATED IN CENTRAL ANATOLIA, WHERE THE BROAD VALLEY OF THE KIZILIRMAK RIVER MEETS SURROUNDING MOUNTAIN RANGES. RENOWNED FOR ITS SELJUK-ERA MONUMENTS, HISTORIC MOSQUES, AND TRADITIONAL AGRICULTURE, THE MUNICIPALITY COMBINES RICH CULTURAL HERITAGE WITH STRATEGIC URBAN DEVELOPMENT POTENTIAL, PROVIDING A UNIQUE CONTEXT FOR SUSTAINABLE LOCAL GOVERNANCE, CULTURAL PRESERVATION, AND CLIMATE-RESILIENT MUNICIPAL INITIATIVES.**



# **Mudanya Municipality: New Member of MLGP4Climate**

**MUDANYA MUNICIPALITY IS LOCATED ON THE SOUTHERN SHORE OF THE SEA OF MARMARA IN TÜRKİYE'S BURSA PROVINCE, WHERE COASTAL LANDSCAPES MEET GREEN HILLS AND OLIVE GROVES. RECOGNIZED FOR ITS CENTURIES-OLD OLIVE CULTIVATION, HISTORIC SEAFRONT ARCHITECTURE, THE MUNICIPALITY COMBINES MARITIME HERITAGE WITH A PEACEFUL, NATURE-FOCUSED LIFESTYLE AND A STRONG COMMITMENT TO PRESERVING ITS CULTURAL CHARACTER.**





## MLGP4Climate Workshop Spotlight: **(AI)** **Artificial Intelligence for** **Climate Leaders:** **A Practical AI Tool** **SECAP Preparation,** 26 November 2025

On 26 November 2025, MLGP4Climate brought together **nearly 100 participants** for an inspiring online workshop that highlighted the **transformative power of Artificial Intelligence in municipal climate planning and the creation of SECAP**. At the heart of the session was a **brand-new ChatGPT-based tool** developed by MLGP4Climate expert **Mr. Doğukan Aycı**, designed to make SECAP development **faster, smarter, and more accessible**—from data organization to drafting plans and conducting essential mitigation and adaptation analyses.

Participants explored **practical applications of AI in SECAP workflows, discovered innovative ways to integrate these tools locally, and engaged in discussions** sharing their experiences. The workshop underscored the **enormous potential of AI to aid with municipal climate action**.

This session reaffirms MLGP4Climate's commitment to empowering municipalities, turning climate ambitions into measurable results, and promoting a forward-looking, collaborative climate leadership community.





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## SECAP ÇALIŞMASI KAPSAMI

SECAP Uygulama Süreci

**Takım Oluşturma ve Paydaşları Belirleme**  
Proje ekibinin oluşturulması ve ilgili paydaşların tanımlanması

**Temel Emisyon Envanteri**  
Mevcut emisyon seviyelerinin değerlendirilmesi

**Risk ve Kırılganlık Analizi**  
Potansiyel risklerin ve kırılganlıkların değerlendirilmesi

**Enerji Yoksulluğu Analizi**  
Enerji erişim eksikliklerinin incelenmesi

**Azaltım ve Adaptasyon Aksiyonlarını Belirleme**  
Stratejilerin belirlenmesi

**Bütçe ve Yol Haritası Planlama**  
Finansal ve zaman çizelgesi planlarının oluşturulması

Local Expert

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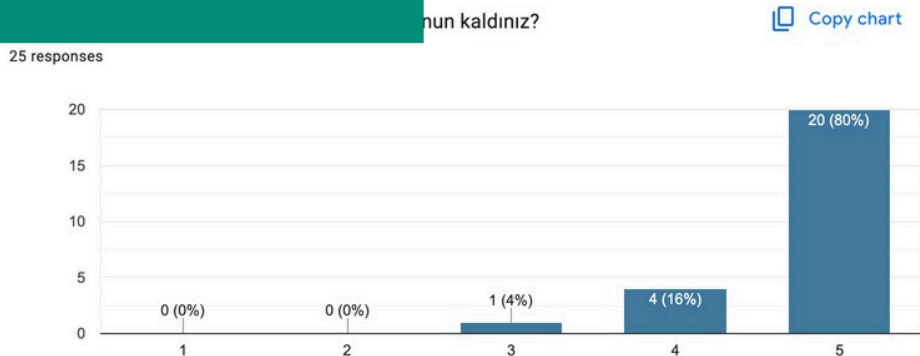




# Results of the Satisfaction Survey

At MLGP4Climate, we are dedicated to fostering a community that **listens, learns, and evolves** with you. Following our latest workshop, we conducted a **satisfaction survey** to better understand your experience and needs as well as wishes for future workshops. We are happy to share the results, which reflect your positive feedback and highlight how municipalities plan to apply the tools and insights gained. **Your engagement inspires us to continue designing workshops that are practical, impactful, and tailored to support your climate action journey.**

On a scale of 1 to 5, how satisfied are you with the workshop today?



Will you be using the artificial intelligence tools or methods offered in your council or association work?



● Evet  
● Hayır  
● Belki














# Presentation: "SECAP Guide for Climate Leaders and Artificial Intelligence Applications" by Doğukan Ayıcı

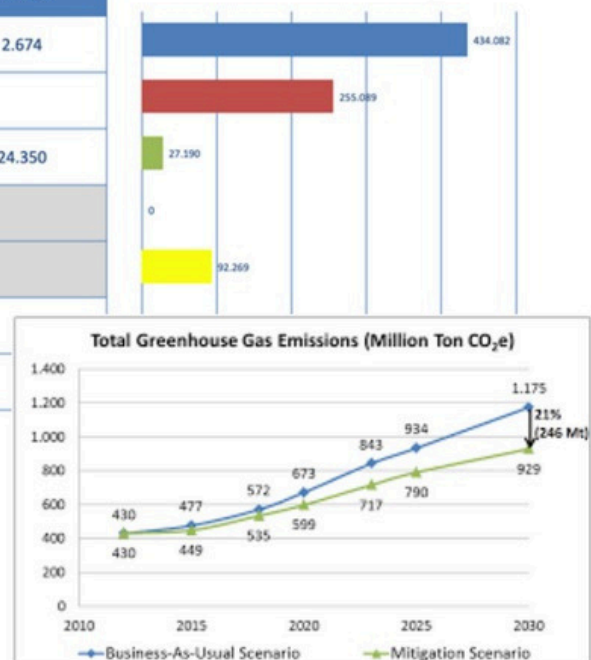
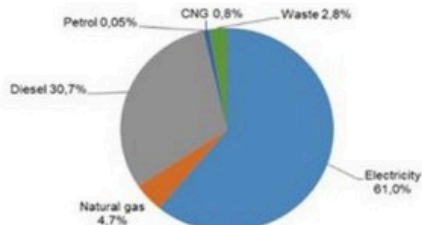
## SECAP ÇALIŞMASI KAPSAMI

### SECAP Uygulama Süreci



## I. Temel Emisyon Envanteri

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	Stationary	234.751	196.656	2.674
	Transportation	253.009	2.080	
	Waste	2.840		24.350
	IPPU			
	AFOLU	92.269		
	Other Scope 3			
	TOTAL		808.629	





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## II. Risk ve Kırılganlık Analizi

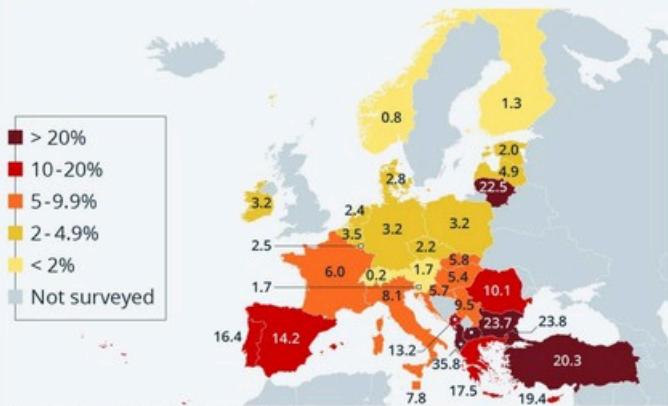
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Sıcaklık Artışı	Aşırı Sıcak Günler	Gün içinde ortalama sıcaklıkların mevsim normallerinin çok üstüne çıkması. İkincil tehdit olarak hava kirliliği ve kuraklık riski artar.
	Isı Dalgaları	Birkaç gün veya hafta boyunca süren, yüksek sıcaklıkların etkili olduğu dönemlerdir. İkincil tehdit olarak kent ısı adası ve orman yangını riski gözlemlenebilir.
	Kent Isı Adası	Yapılaşma, asfalt ve betonun yoğun kullanımı sonucu kent merkezlerinin kırsal alanlardan daha sıcak olmasıdır. İkincil olarak hava kirliliği ve hastalık riski artış gösterir.
Kuraklık	Su Kıtlığı	Uzun süreli yağış azlığı veya dengesiz yağış nedeniyle içme ve sulama sularında yetersizlik yaşanması. İkincil olarak gıda arzı ve enerji üretimi de etkilenebilir.
	Tarımsal Kuraklık	Toprak neminin belirgin şekilde azalması ile bitkisel üretimin aksaması. İkincil tehdit olarak erozyon ve çölleşme süreçleri hızlanabilir.
	Orman Yangınları	Yağış azlığı ve yüksek sıcaklıkların bir araya gelmesiyle bitki örtüsünün kuruması ve yangın riskinin artması. İkincil tehdit olarak hava kalitesi bozulabilir.
Aşırı Hava Olayları	Şiddetli Fırtına / Rüzgâr	Çok güçlü rüzgârlar veya fırtınalar binalar ve enerji hatlarında hasara yol açabilir. İkincil olarak dolu, yıldırım ve altyapı arızaları tetiklenebilir.
	Ani Yüzey Seli / Taşkın	Kısa sürede aşırı yağış sonucu su baskınlarının yaşanmasıdır. İkincil olarak toprak kayması, kirlilik ve salgın hastalık riski artar.
	Soğuk Hava Dalgası / Aşırı Kar Yağışı / Dolu	Kar yağışının beklenenden fazla olmasıyla ulaşım ve altyapıda sorunlar çıkar. İkincil olarak çatı çökmesi, buzlanma ve kazalar artar.

## III. Enerji Yoksulluğu



### Energy Poverty in Europe

Share of households unable to adequately heat their homes in 2021 (in %)\*



\* or latest available data: 2020, 2019.

Source: Eurostat



## Presentation: “SECAP Guide for Climate Leaders and Artificial Intelligence Applications ” by Doğukan Aycı

### SECAP Sürecinde Yapay Zekanın 7 Faydası



### SECAP Rehberi

By Doğukan Aycı &

✓ Using the creator's recommended model: GPT-4o

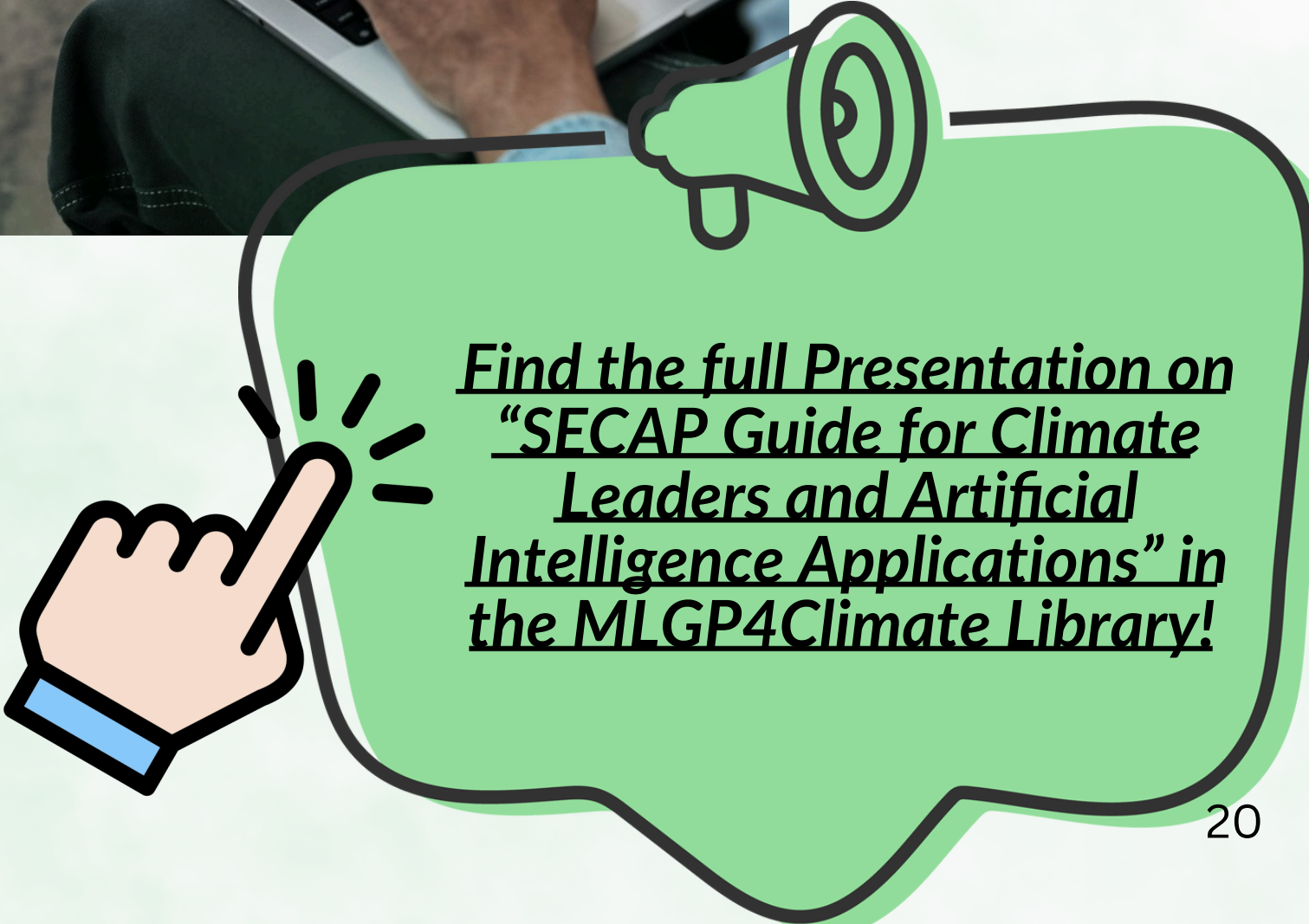
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SECAP sürecine nereden başlamalıyız?

Bir SECAP raporunda hangi bölümler yer alır?

Veri toplama sürecinde hangi kurumlarla iletişimi...





**Find the full Presentation on  
“SECAP Guide for Climate  
Leaders and Artificial  
Intelligence Applications” in  
the MLGP4Climate Library!**



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# MLGP4Climate Presents: A New ChatGPT Tool for SECAP Support



We are thrilled to unveil our **brand-new ChatGPT-based tool**, crafted by MLGP4Climate expert and engineer **Mr. Doğukan Aycı**, designed to revolutionize how municipalities develop their SECAPs. This cutting-edge tool has been trained on the wealth of SECAP guidance available on our website, allowing it to provide **practical, hands-on support**—whether deciding which emission items to include in an inventory or tackling complex SECAP sections. Early trials show it delivers **detailed, actionable guidance, making climate planning faster, smarter, and more accessible for municipal teams.**

This innovative tool is a true **gamechanger for SECAP development**, empowering municipalities to turn climate ambitions into tangible results. As always, users should remain **mindful of potential AI inaccuracies such as hallucinations**. Beyond this, the tool opens up **new opportunities for more efficient, informed, and collaborative climate action at the municipal level.**





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## SECAP Rehberi

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# Try it out!



\*To use the guide ChatGPT Plus or Premium is needed.



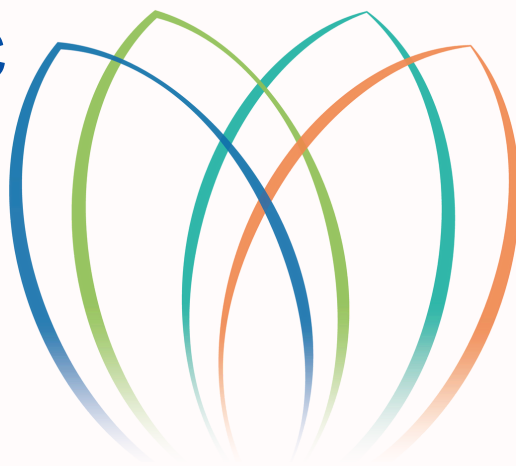


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MedLab Thematic Week | Focus on Water,  
Managing a Shared Resource: Water  
Governance Across the Mediterranean

# MedLab Thematic Week – A Key Opportunity for MLGP4Climate Municipalities



The upcoming **MedLab Thematic Week**, scheduled for January 2026 (date yet to be confirmed) offers MLGP4Climate municipalities and associations a valuable chance to **connect with the wider Mediterranean cooperation community**. The event will focus on **Water, Islands, and Skills**, with practical exchanges rather than project showcases.

The **RESWATER project** has been highlighted as a strong contributor to the session on Non-Conventional Water Resources for Urban Water Management –a topic highly relevant for municipalities in Türkiye facing drought and water stress.

Joining this event means accessing fresh ideas, meeting regional peers, and exploring new cooperation opportunities aligned with SECAP development and climate resilience work. MLGP4Climate will announce the exact date in its next issue – for now, **stay tuned!**



## Info Box: What is MedLab?

MedLab is a Mediterranean platform that connects Interreg programmes and projects, bringing together EU and non-EU partners to share knowledge, exchange expertise, and spark new collaboration across the region. It focuses on practical learning and joint solutions to shared Mediterranean challenges. Find more info on its [official webpage](#). 23



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# Consultation with Sivas Municipality

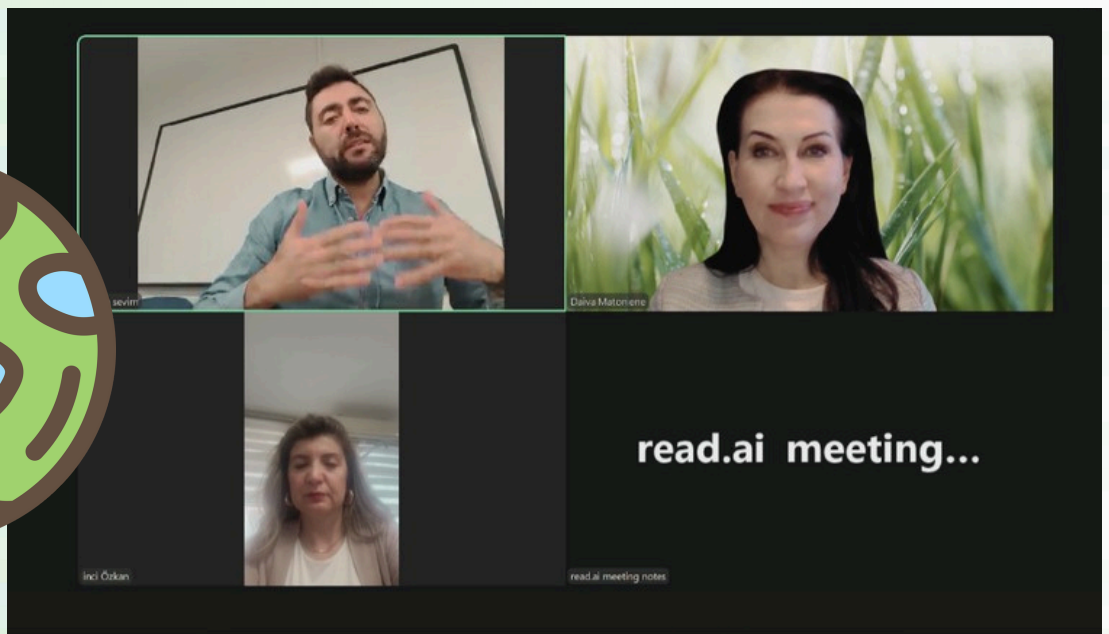


12 November 2025

We recently held a dynamic and uplifting consultation with **Sivas Municipality**, which brought together **enthusiasm, curiosity, and a shared commitment** to stronger climate action.

The municipal representative, **Ms. İnci Özkan** from the EU Project Coordination Unit, shared the municipality's recent progress — notably their **successful membership in the Global Covenant of Mayors (GCoM)** and their **increasing focus on visionary, EU-aligned planning**. With strong internal motivation, Sivas is now ready to take bolder steps in climate and energy work .

During the discussion, MLGP4Climate introduced the municipality to the full **range of opportunities** awaiting them: **expert support on SECAP, access to climate finance and EU calls, participation in our upcoming workshops, and inclusion in international events**. We emphasized how simple MLGP membership is — just a mayoral signature — and how quickly it unlocks our network, updates, and technical assistance.



***We look forward to welcoming Sivas Municipality into the MLGP4Climate family and working together toward a more resilient, well-connected, and climate-ambitious Türkiye!24***





## Highlighting the Importance of Cross-Regional Learning: MLGP4Climate Members Tuned In to Baltic Sea Regional Forum

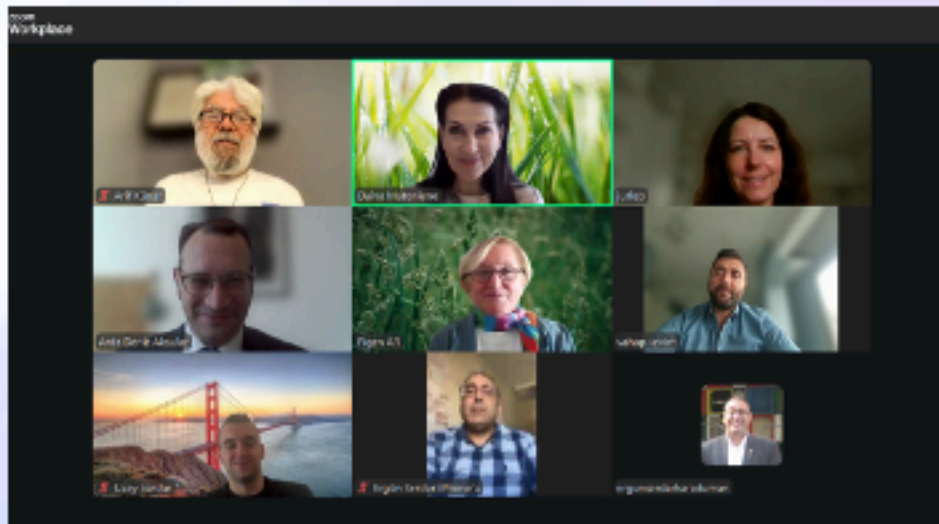
MLGP4Climate members attended the **livestream of the Baltic Sea Regional Forum for the EU Mission on Adaptation to Climate Change** this month, gaining knowledge on innovative climate adaptation strategies across the region. The event featured panels and workshops on **coastal resilience, heat management, water security, and urban greening**, showcasing projects such as **LIFE AdaptEST, Regions4Climate, and REGILIENCE+**.

This forum highlighted **international collaboration and offered practical solutions that municipalities can adapt locally**. Members who missed the live event can watch the **livestream** and benefit from the shared knowledge and tools for advancing their climate action initiatives.



# The Fifth MLGP4Climate Experts Coordination Meeting

12.11.25



On 12 November 2025, MLGP4Climate experts came together online for the fifth Coordination Meeting to **review progress, exchange updates, and plan upcoming activities**. October proved to be a **particularly active month**, with notable achievements in **visibility, partnerships, and municipal recognition**.

The platform celebrated **Karatay Municipality** as the **first pioneer city** under the Sustainable Development Goals Network and **Gaziantep Municipality** for winning the **Council of Europe’s “Europe Prize,”** highlighting MLGP4Climate’s growing role in advancing sustainable urban development. October also saw **two successful workshops** on 14 and 30 October. Participants provided positive feedback, confirming high engagement and the platform’s ongoing appeal to both national and international audiences.

**New partnerships and collaborations** were also on the agenda. The Healthy Cities Association officially joined MLGP4Climate, and joint EU project proposals with Karlovac Municipality (Croatia) are underway. Preparations continued for the **Baltic Sea Region Forum (17–18 November)** and the **Green Missions4Climate Forum in Vilnius (10 December)**, with participation from Turkish and Lithuanian ambassadors, ministries, and financial institutions.

Experts shared updates on **energy transition, gender-inclusive policies, youth engagement, and knowledge-sharing initiatives**, reinforcing the platform’s commitment to sustainability beyond project timelines.





*The MLGP4Climate Newsletter is introducing a new section: **The Latest News on Environmental and Climate Change Issues** - designed to keep our readers up-to-date with national and international headlines. For suggestions, please contact us at [mlgp4climate@gmail.com](mailto:mlgp4climate@gmail.com).*

## Beyond the negative headlines, some truly good things came out of Cop30



This article argues that while COP30 did not enshrine a legally binding plan to phase out fossil fuels and postponed strengthening countries' emissions targets, it achieved important progress through nonbinding initiatives. Brazil is leading a “plan B” process to consult governments, scientists, and civil society on pathways for fossil fuel transition, to be reported at COP31. The piece emphasizes that legal status matters less than real-world action: voluntary coalitions and national initiatives are already driving significant change, such as growing renewable investments, rising electric vehicle adoption, and expanding low-carbon power capacity in countries like China and India. Ultimately, the article highlights that tangible climate progress comes from concrete actions rather than conference declarations. (The Guardian, 28.11.25, English)

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## COP30 deal urges more funds for poorer countries, omits fossil fuels

This article reports that world leaders agreed on a climate deal during COP30 which addresses the crisis but does not commit to phasing out fossil fuels. The agreement calls for reviewing climate-related trade barriers, urges developed countries to triple financial



support for developing nations, and emphasizes global cooperation to keep the 1.5°C warming limit within reach. While officials described the outcome as a modest step forward, divisions remained over fossil fuel dependency and climate finance. The summit president announced plans for two roadmaps—on deforestation and a just transition from fossil fuels—and the first international conference on fossil fuel phase-out is scheduled for April 2026, signaling incremental progress amid calls for greater ambition.

(AlJazeera, 22 November 2025, English)



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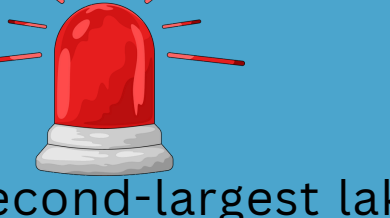


## COP30'da Ormanlar Ne Kazandı?

This article reports that at COP30, countries pledged billions of dollars in new funding for forests and saw a record number of indigenous delegates participate. Despite these achievements, leaders did not agree on a concrete plan to ensure the survival of rainforests, instead adopting a voluntary roadmap. Brazil emphasized the Amazon's central role in climate negotiations, and Germany and other countries contributed to the Tropical Forests Forever Facility, expected to reach \$10 billion by year-end. Indigenous leaders gained some victories, including the recognition of 10 new indigenous territories and allocation of part of the forest fund to communities protecting forests. While some proposals, such as officially linking indigenous land recognition to climate policy, failed, COP30 strengthened global attention on forest protection and the role of indigenous peoples in safeguarding threatened ecosystems. (iklim Haber, 23.11.25, Turkish)

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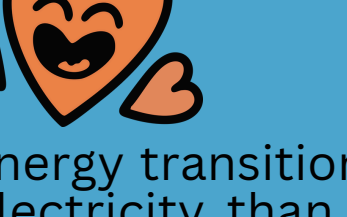
## Tuz Gölü'nde kırmızı alarm: 90 yılda yüzde 85 küçüldü



This article reports that Tuz Gölü, Turkey's second-largest lake and a key source of the country's salt, is in critical condition, having shrunk by 85% over the past 90 years. The lake, located across Aksaray, Konya, and Ankara, has been affected by climate change, drought, excessive irrigation, and the presence of around 200,000 water wells. Its area has fallen from 2,164 km<sup>2</sup> in 1915 to just 326 km<sup>2</sup> in 2005, and water levels continue to drop, exposing salt deposits. Experts highlight that unsustainable agriculture, particularly water-intensive crops like maize and alfalfa, exacerbates the decline, and call for switching to less water-demanding crops, careful water management, and urgent measures to preserve the lake. (TRT Haber, 28.11.25, Turkish)

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## Renewable power generation surpasses coal globally for the first time



This article highlights a milestone in the global energy transition: in the first half of 2025, wind and solar generated more electricity than coal, led by China and India. This shows that a shift from fossil fuels is possible, with renewables becoming cost-competitive and scalable, signaling strong momentum toward a sustainable, nature-positive energy future. (WWF, 25.10.25, English)



# Funding Opportunities and Calls



## **7th IKI Small Grants – International Call for Proposals**

**Focus:** Local and regional projects on climate and biodiversity, including greenhouse gas mitigation, climate adaptation, conserving

carbon sinks and protecting biodiversity. **Who Can Apply:** Not-for-profit organisations and non-profit private companies, operational for 3+ years, with average annual revenue EUR

60,000–500,000. Government bodies, consortia, research-only projects, and individuals are not eligible.

**Budget:** EUR 60,000–200,000.

**Deadline:** 15 Jan 2026.

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## **Adaptation to Climate Change: Effectiveness and Limits**

**Call reference:**

HORIZON-CL5-2025-05-Two-Stage-D1-05

**Focus:** Research & innovation projects evaluating the effectiveness and limits of climate adaptation strategies across multiple regions/sectors; projects should develop methods, indicators, and tools, ideally linked to the EU Mission on Adaptation to Climate Change.

**Who can apply:** Consortia of ≥3 legal entities from ≥3 EU Member States or Horizon Europe Associated Countries (universities, research institutes, municipalities, NGOs, companies).

**Budget:** estimated €6 million per project.

**Deadline:** Second stage: 31 Mar 2026 (full proposal invited).



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## **Cross-sectoral Solutions for the Climate Transition Call**

**Call reference:** HORIZON-CL5-2026-01-D2

**Focus:** Research & innovation projects supporting a clean, sustainable transition of energy cross-cutting projects.

**Who Can Apply:** Legal entities in EU Member States or Horizon Europe-associated countries (universities, research orgs, public authorities, NGOs, companies, or consortia). **Budget:** Typical grants ~€1.5–5 million per project. **Deadline:** 20 January 2026, 17:00 CET



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## **Efficient, sustainable and inclusive energy use Call**

**Call reference:** HORIZON-CL5-2026-02-D4

**Focus:** Research & innovation for energy-efficient, low-carbon, circular, and climate-resilient buildings; smart buildings; positive energy districts; phase-out of fossil fuels in industry.

**Who can apply:** Consortia of eligible entities from EU Member States or Associated Countries – including municipalities, research organisations, industry partners, and social sciences experts depending on topic. **Budget:** €84 million total (split across 6 top 7.5 million per project)

**Deadline:** 17 February 2026, 17:00 CET

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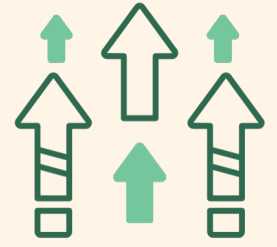
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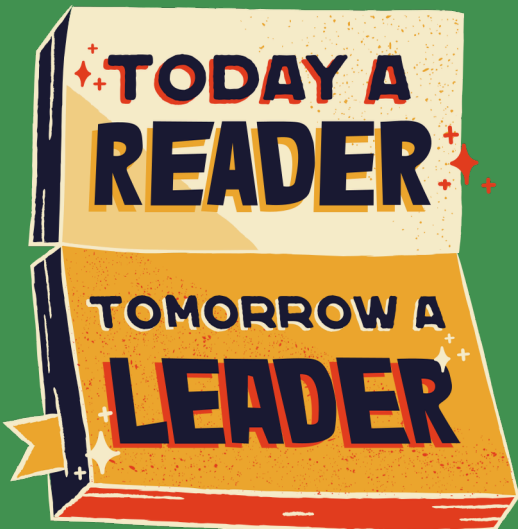
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# The MLGP4Climate Library Reaches **1,300** Resources!

This month, the MLGP4Climate Library reached **1,300** resources, becoming one of the most comprehensive climate and energy knowledge hubs for municipalities in Türkiye. Members are invited to explore the library and use these materials to strengthen their climate planning and SECAP development.

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# Interesting to Read

## OUR NOVEMBER RECOMMENDATIONS





REPORT FROM THE COMMISSION TO THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT, THE  
COUNCIL, THE EUROPEAN ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COMMITTEE AND THE  
COMMITTEE OF THE REGIONS

## State of the Energy Union Report 2025

(pursuant to Regulation (EU)2018/1999 on the Governance of the Energy Union and  
Climate Action)

## European Commission (6 November 2025): 10th Report on the State of the Energy Union

The 2025 State of the Energy Union Report highlights the EU's continued progress toward a secure, clean, and affordable energy system. It confirms advances in reducing energy costs, modernising grids, expanding interconnections, and accelerating renewable energy deployment—now the dominant source of EU electricity. While fossil fuel dependence remains high, the EU is on track toward its 2030 targets, supported by strong public R&I investment and major initiatives such as the Clean Industrial Deal and the EIB's TechEU programme. The report stresses the urgent need to boost clean-tech investment, strengthen energy efficiency, and evolve into an “electro-continent” powered by domestic clean energy.

**Why is this relevant for MLGP4Climate members?** Türkiye's municipalities are increasingly aligning with EU climate and energy standards, and this report offers a clear picture of upcoming priorities— electrification, efficiency, renewables, and competitiveness. It helps local authorities anticipate future policy directions, strengthen SECAPs, and better prepare for cross-border cooperation, EU projects, and green investment opportunities.





## International Renewable Energy Agency (2025): Global Landscape of Energy Transition Finance (Climate Policy Initiative).

The Global Landscape of Energy Transition Finance 2025 shows that global clean-energy investment reached a record USD 2.4 trillion in 2024, with strong growth in solar PV, batteries, EVs, and grids, but major gaps in energy efficiency, wind, and green hydrogen. The report highlights a stark imbalance: 90% of all investment flows to China and advanced economies, while emerging economies and LDCs receive only a small share. Clear graphics on pages 7–11 summarise global investment flows and technology trends.

**Why is this relevant for MLGP4Climate members?** This report offers a concise picture of where global finance is heading and which technologies are being prioritised—valuable insights for Turkish municipalities preparing SECAPs, designing local climate actions, and positioning themselves for future EU and international funding.

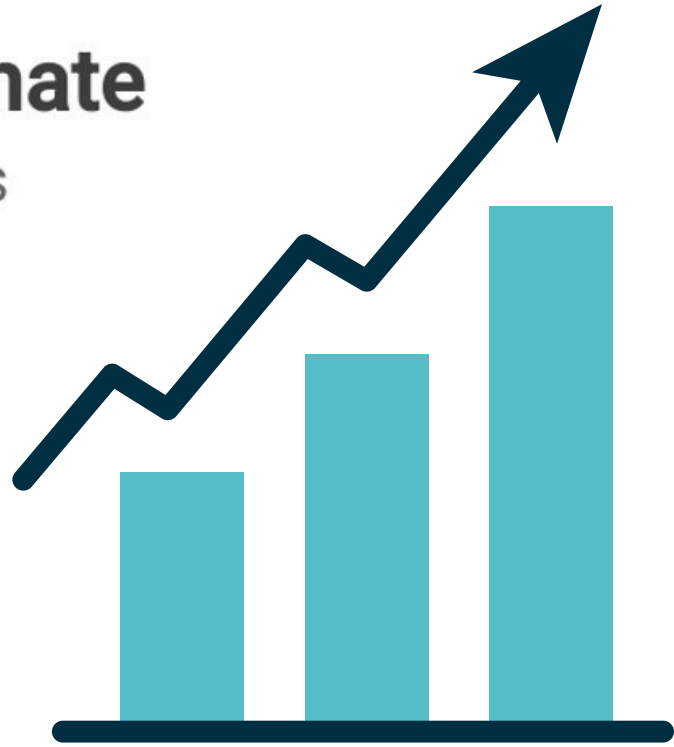






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## Announcements from MLGP4Climate December 2025



- **10 Dezember 2025:** Final Green Missions4Climate Conference in Vilnius, Lithuania
- Financial Consultations for MLGP4Climate Members Upon Registration
- New Calls
- New Partnerships
- New Library Entries





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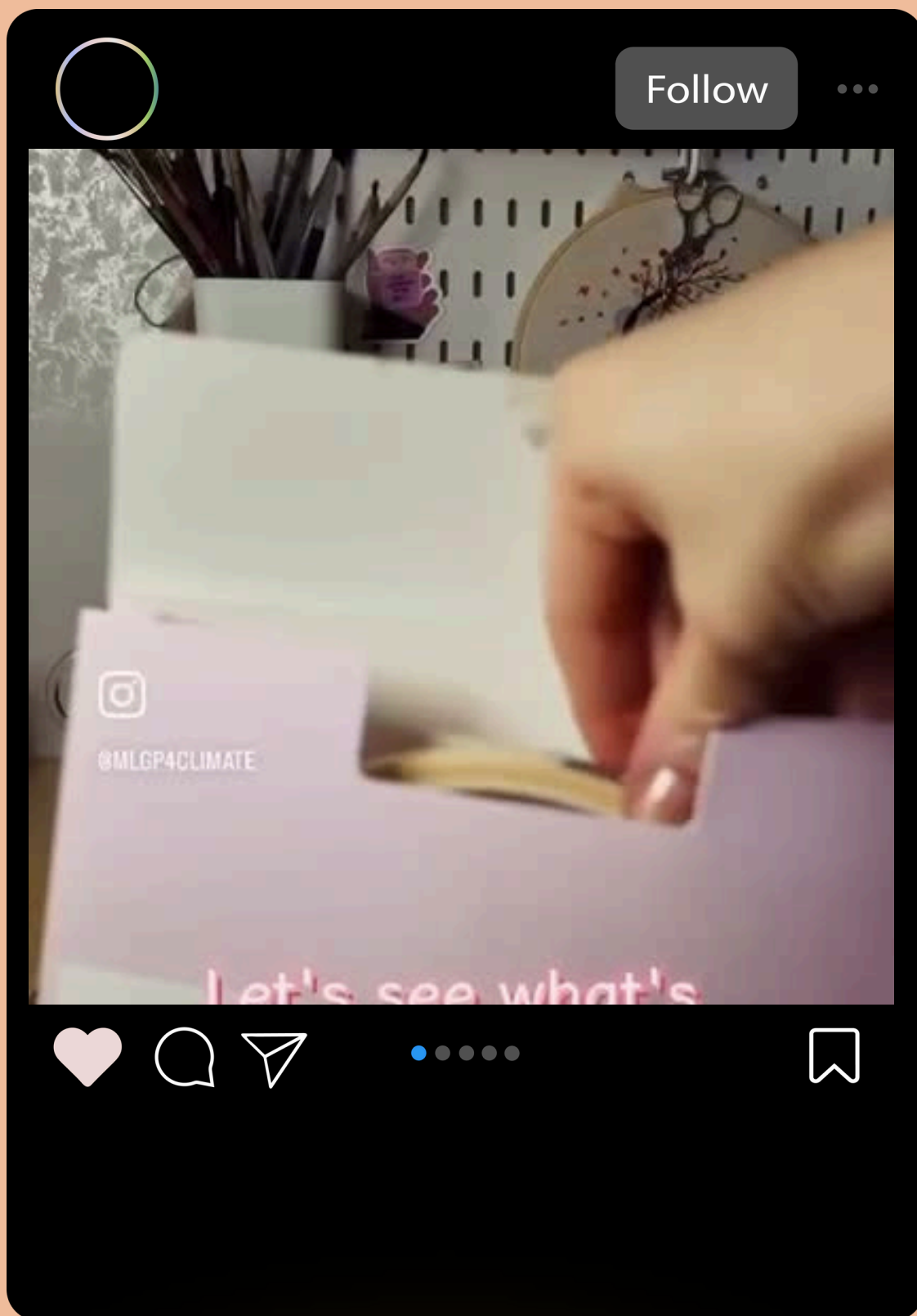


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### **A small gift, a big journey... ❤️**

At the closing meeting of our EU4ETTR project, we presented Dr Fulya Kandemir from Antalya Metropolitan Municipality with a meaningful gift in recognition of her contributions to local climate leadership in Turkey.

This gift was then reworked with the careful touch of Atelier Arakhne and transformed into the piece you see in the video, with an even richer story.

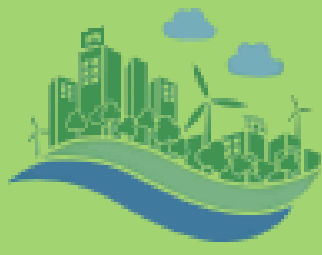
**At MLGPClimate, we are delighted to highlight women's leadership in the climatefight, creative collaborations, and the value generatedat the local level.**

Climateaction is strengthened bystorieslike this, where cities,experts, art, and friendshipscome together.

# Instagram Highlight

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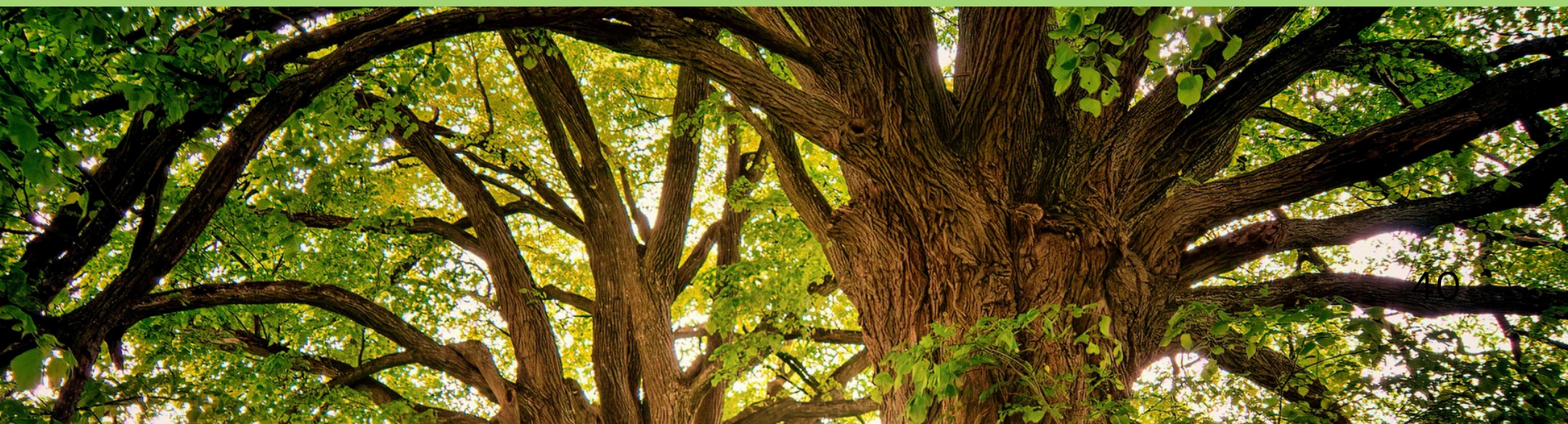


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trees, we plant  
seeds of peace and  
seeds of hope.”***

Wangari Maathai, Kenyan Social,  
Environmental Activist





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