Ensuring Transparency in the drafting of the Greek National and Regional Partnership Plan

Open Letter

To: Themis Christophidou, Director General, DG REGIO, European Commission

The 69 undersigned Greek organisations call on the Regional and Urban Policy Directorate General of the European Commission to ensure a transparent, structured and inclusive drafting of the Greek National and Regional Partnership Plan

While negotiations on the Multiannual Financial Framework are ongoing, Member States are already beginning preparatory work on their National and Regional Partnership Plans at the national level. This early phase offers an important opportunity to embed the partnership principle and genuine multilevel governance from the outset, through timely and meaningful engagement of local and regional authorities, civil society, energy communities, energy agencies, trade unions, social and economic partners.

While certain Member States have already been conducting public consultations for over a year now (e.g., Poland), others, like Greece, have made little progress.[1] Greece has one of the highest (per capita) NRPP allocations in the EU, totalling 49.2 billion euros in 2025 prices[2]. With the Recovery and Resilience Facility ending in 2026, the NRPP will steer almost the entirety of public investments in the country for the decade ahead. With this in mind, it's absolutely imperative that the NRPP is prepared with all relevant partners on the table.

Some first steps have been taken in public consultations for the NRPP in Greece including:

- On the 9th of July 2026 an invitation-only conference was organised in Athens (with the presence of DG REGIO) to officially commence the period of public consultations;[3]

- On the 25th of September the General Secretariat of Cohesion Policy under the Ministry of Finance published its first general priorities for the Greek NRPP[4] and invited a list of stakeholders to submit proposals until the 20th of November 2026.[5]

[1] REScoop.eu (2026) Who gets a seat at the table?
[2]https://op.europa.eu/en/publication-detail/-/publication/3b71c5de-d707-11f0-8da2-01aa75ed71a1/language-en?WT.mc_id=Searchresult&WT.ria_c=55576&WT.ria_f=9125&WT.ria_ev=search&WT.URL=https%3A%2F%2Fcommission.europa.eu%2F
[3] https://www.espa.gr/el/Pages/NewsFS.aspx?item=2046
[4] https://www.espa.gr/el/Pages/Guidelines_2028-2034.aspx
[5] https://www.espa.gr/el/Documents/1.Diavivastiko_Katefthinseis_2028_2034.pdf

- On the 20th of September the Ministry of Agriculture also published an open consultation on the future of the Common Agricultural Policy in Greece.[6]

We acknowledge that these first steps towards public dialogue are important, but flag with concern that they are **far from complying with the European code of conduct on partnership. Specifically:**

- **Article 4 (c)**[7]: from the current list of invitees to the NRPP consultation, we note a significant underrepresentation of civil society. It's also not clear how those were selected, or how existing partners of monitoring committees of Operational Programs will be invited to take part.

- **Article 5 (a)(c)**[8]. It's not clear which authorities are responsible for the drafting the NRPP and what official channels can be used to contact them. It's also not clear how stakeholders that were not personally invited to the consultation can take part.

- **Article 8 (a)(b)(c)[9].** Social partners should be involved in every stage of preparation of the NRPP - from needs assessment, to the selection of priorities, and the overall allocation of funding. The current approach observed in Greece risks sidelining civil society to *comment ex-post on priorities already pre-decided by institutional stakeholders.*

We urgently call for the creation of a structured, permanent platform for dialogue between Greek authorities drafting the NRPP and civil society. This is in line with the European code of conduct on partnership, and is already observed in several Member States, including the Czech Republic, Slovakia, Poland and Estonia.

Strong implementation of the partnership principle and genuine multi-level governance can maximise the added value of EU funds through enabling more targeted, place-based investments and wider dissemination of impacts. It can also ensure social buy-in of national reforms, contributing to overall EU objectives. Crucially, integrating citizens' needs into the long-term financial decision-making process can restore trust in European values at a time of multiple and overlapping crises.

The undersigned organisations:

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[6] https://pconsult.minagric.gr/diavoulefsi/%CF%85%CF%80%CE%BF%CE%B2%CE%BF%CE%BB%CE%B7-%CF%80%CF%81%CE%BF%CF%84%CE%B1%CF%83%CE%B5%CF%89%CE%BD-%CF%83%CF%84%CE%BF-%CF%80%CE%BB%CE%B1%CE%B9%CF%83%CE%B9%CE%BF-%CF%84%CE%BF%CF%85-%CE%B5%CE%B8%CE%BD/

[7] Identification of relevant partners for the Partnership Agreement

[8] Consultation of relevant partners in the preparation of the Partnership Agreement and programmes

[9] Preparation of programmes

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1	Electra Energy
2	Ένωση Μικρομεσαίων Ο.Κοι.Π.
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4	Apollon Energy Community of Pharmacists' Cooperative
5	Ios Energy Community of Pharmacists Cooperative
6	ENERGEIAKI KOINOTITA POLITON CHIOU SYN.P.E.
7	Minoan Energy Community
8	VOICES for the Archipelagos
9	WHEN Equity Empowerment Change
10	CommonEn energy community
11	Inter Alia
12	Vouliwatch
13	Homo Digitalis
14	ΚΡΑΥΓΗ ΑΜΕΑ
15	ΕΞΕΛΙΞΗ ΖΩΗΣ - LIFE EVOLUTION
16	P2P Lab
17	PEOPLE BEHIND
18	Symplexis
19	Hyperion Citizen Energy Community
20	Desmi - Coalition of Energy Communities
21	Co2gether
22	Stagona ΑΜΚΕ
23	Career Sign ΑΜΚΕ

24	Aegean - Cyclades Preservation Fund
25	PEKAmeA | Day care center for adults with intellectual disabilities
26	Save Your Hood
27	ΦΜΚΣ ΓΟΝ&ΚΗΔ ΑμεΑ ‘Τα Παιδιά της Ανοιξης’
28	Giosi REC
29	Attica Energy Community
30	ΔΙΚΤΥΟ ΑΛΛΗΛΕΓΓΥΑΣ ΣΥΜΒΟΥΛΕΥΤΙΚΗΣ
31	Emfasis non profit
32	Women Do Business
33	Ecogenia
34	Os Aido
35	Association - Sustainable Energy Youth Network
36	Academy of Entrepreneurship
37	Εκπαιδευτικός Σύνδεσμος Αθηνών Ο ΗΦΑΙΣΤΟΣ
38	ΚΑΡΙΤΑΣ ΑΘΗΝΑΣ
39	MoveIt Αστική Εταιρία Μη Κερδοσκοπικού Χαρακτήρα
40	HIGGS
41	KROMA Αστική μη Κερδοσκοπική Εταιρεία
42	Promitheas
43	BRAINSHOT AMKE
44	YouBeHero
45	ΒΕΛΟΣ Youth
46	Τεχνοδρομώ / Art Act
47	Off Stream
48	ART HUB Athens
49	Action for the Civil Society
50	Socialinnov

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52	SolidarityNow
53	Hellenic Institute for Effective Dialogue
54	SHE Society for Help and Empowerment
55	Ελληνικό Δίκτυο για το Δικαίωμα στη Στέγη και την Κατοικία
56	ΣΠΙΘΕΣ Αστική Μη Κερδοσκοπική Εταιρία
57	Δ.Ρ.Α.Σ.Η. ΟΜΑΔΑ ΕΘΕΛΟΝΤΩΝ ΣΤΑ ΔΥΤΙΚΑ
58	Solarity Κοινότητα Ανανεώσιμης Ενέργειας Π.Ε.
59	GIVMED Share medicine Share life
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65	Greenpeace Greece
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68	Σύλλογος Γονέων, Κηδεμόνων και Φίλων ΑμεΑ “Το Εργαστήρι”
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