

## CLIMATE MICRO PROJECTS PROGRAM

Funded under the bilateral Agreement  
between the Republic of Bulgaria and the Republic of Malta  
for the Transfer of Annual Emission Allocation

### National Trust Ecofund(NTEF)

30 Years

Over 500 projects

Over 160 municipalities in Bulgaria

Hundreds of Bulgarian  
and international partners



### The agreement

Timeline - 2017 - 2025

Total value - 951 843 EUR

The proceeds of the Agreement were used for disbursing activities aimed at climate change mitigation or adaptation, as approved by NTEF, and for management of the Program. The annual audit reports of NTEF by an auditing company, selected in compliance with the Bulgarian Public Procurement Law, state that the proceeds were used in accordance with applicable EU and national laws.

### The projects:

Energy efficiency measures	10 projects	270 418 EUR
Blue-green infrastructure in public space	6 projects	160 550 EUR
Building energy management systems	6 projects	150 730 EUR
Measuring systems for air quality	2 projects	56 034 EUR
Education, campaigns	3 projects	83 312 EUR
Policy documents on climate issues	10 projects	230 801 EUR
		<b>951 843 EUR</b>

## Energy Efficiency Measures

Renovated heating systems, installed photovoltaics for administrative buildings and schools, replaced street lightning with energy saving lamps, applied energy saving lightning in schools, replaced windows, etc.



School in Dobrich municipality



School in Knezha municipality



School yard in Sofia municipality



Tryavna municipality

## Blue-Green Infrastructure

Drinking water fountains, solar charging benches and modeling plots for regenerative agriculture in public spaces in the municipalities Gabrovo, Sofia, Tryavna and Vratza.



Gabrovo municipality

## Building Energy Management Systems

Establishment of smart energy management systems in administrative public buildings and in the Bulgarian Academy of Sciences - improved energy efficiency of the electrical and heating systems and reduced the energy consumption and greenhouse gas emissions.



Svishtov municipality



Bansko municipality

## Air Pollution Monitoring

Establishment of facilities for air pollution measurement in public places to encourage citizen involvement in climate action.



Pirdop municipality



Svishtov municipality



"Climate fresk" workshop



## Participatory Educational Climate Actions

"Climate fresk" workshops - engaging teenagers and young professionals in interactive actions to understand climate change and make decisions for climate actions. Unique educational campaign for students aiming at preservation of the forests.



Gorichka NGO event

## Policy Development

Reports, analysis, development of strategic plans and update of legal documents to meet the requirements of the national and European legislations and the needs of the different stakeholders.



Sofia municipality



Tryavna municipality



## Programs of NTEF

- Debt for Environment Program (1995 - 2010)
- Environmental Remediation Pilot Program in the area of CPP Pirdop (1998 - 2003)
- National Green Investments Scheme (2011-2016)
- Investment Climate Program (since 2016)
- Subprogram for energy efficiency of buildings of schools and kindergartens (since 2022)
- Subprogram for promoting the use of electric vehicles (since 2016)
- Investment Program "Mineral Waters" (since 2016)
- Municipal energy management (since 2017)
- Change in the behavior of the public sites' users (since 2015)
- Climate Change Adaptation (since 2021)
- National award for nature protection in the name of Mimi Pramatarova (since 2006)

## Sources of Funding of the Programs

- Debt for Environment Swap agreement between the governments of the Republic of Bulgaria and the Swiss Confederation;
- Agreement for the sale of assigned amount units with the Republic of Austria, in accordance with Article 17 of the Kyoto Protocol;
- Revenues from the early auctions in the EU Emissions Trading Scheme;
- Revenues from the auctioning of emission allowances from aviation activities;
- Bilateral Agreements for Sale of Annual Emissions Allocation under Article 67 (5) and (6) of the ETS (with the Republic of Malta and the Federal Republic of Germany);
- Environment and Climate Change Program, funded by the Financial Mechanism of the European Economic Area;
- European Climate Initiative (EUKI) of the Federal Ministry for Economic Affairs and Climate Action of the Republic of Germany;
- Other sources of funding – for projects under which NTEF is a beneficiary – for contribution to the development of environmental protection policies (World Bank, USAID, European Commission's Horizon Program, etc.).



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