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Resilience in Desertification and Drought for
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RedeeM Introduction

RedeeM is a European cooperation project that aims to strengthen water resilience and ecosystem health in Mediterranean rural areas by promoting integrated and climate-informed water governance. Through the adoption of an innovative Water-Energy-Food-Ecosystem (WEFE) Nexus approach, the project supports sustainable water resource management, demonstrates nature-based and technological solutions to address water scarcity, and enhances the capacity of public authorities and local stakeholders. By fostering collaboration, innovation, and knowledge transfer, RedeeM contributes to climate adaptation, resource efficiency, and the long-term sustainability of Mediterranean rural communities.

Project Duration



45 months

Total Project Budget

€ 3,846,019.55

Consortium

1. Energy and Water Agency (EWA) – Malta (Lead Partner)
2. Calabria Region – Department of Land and Environmental Protection (REGCAL) – Italy
3. Consejería de Gestión Forestal y Mundo Rural (JUNTAEX) – Spain
4. Region of Eastern Macedonia & Thrace (REMTH) – Greece
5. Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry and Water Management of Montenegro (MAFWM) – Montenegro
6. Ministry of Environment and Physical Planning – Department of Waters (MOEPP) – North Macedonia
7. National Institute of Meteorology and Hydrology (NIMH) – Bulgaria
8. The Development and Infrastructure Company of Alqueva (EDIA) – Portugal
9. Zadar County Rural Development Agency (AGRRA) – Croatia
10. Nicosia Development Agency (ANEL) – Cyprus
11. Development Agency Kozjansko (RAKO) – Slovenia
12. Aristotle University of Thessaloniki (AUTH) – Greece



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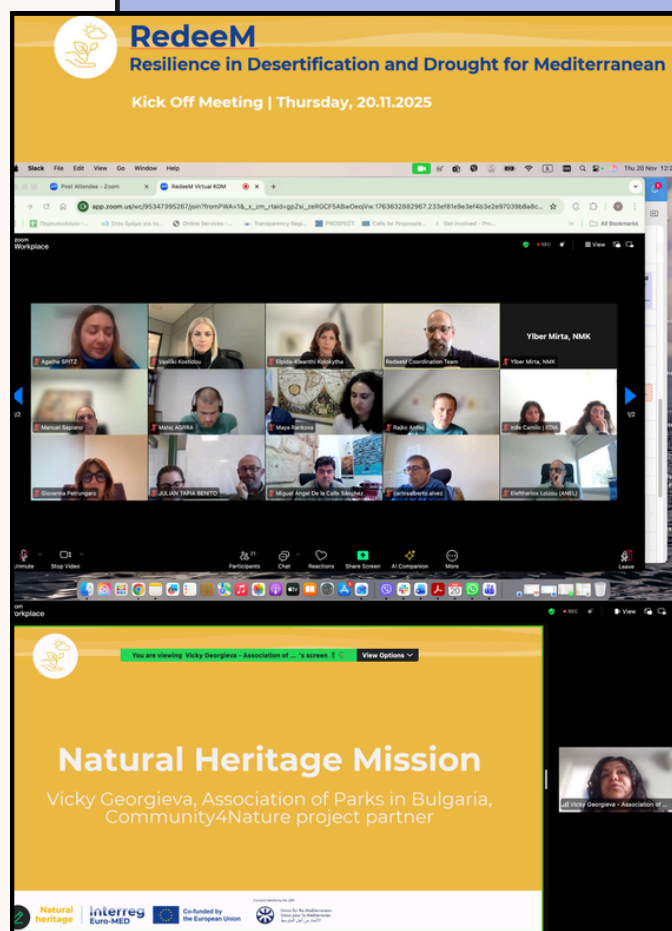
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The online kick-off meeting



The Redeem project officially launched with its online Kick-Off Meeting, hosted by the Lead Partner, EWA, on **20 November 2025**. Bringing together partners from 11 participating countries, the meeting laid the foundation for successful collaboration.

Participants explored the project's objectives, expected results, governance structure, and implementation roadmap while clarifying roles and responsibilities.

The meeting also welcomed the **Interreg Euro-MED Project Officer**, who presented the Programme's objectives, and marked the first official meeting of the project's Steering Group.

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The kick-off meeting

Following the online launch, RedeeM partners gathered in Malta for a two-day Kick-Off Meeting hosted by the Energy and Water Agency on the 20 & 21st of January 2026.

The meeting brought together partners from across the Mediterranean to officially launch the collaboration and establish a shared vision for the project.

Discussions focused on the project's objectives, work plan, and implementation strategy, with particular emphasis on strengthening water resilience in rural Mediterranean areas.

The event also fostered transnational cooperation and reinforced the partnership's commitment to delivering sustainable and impactful results.

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RedeeM at EWA Conference

On 22 January 2026, the RedeeM project participated in the National Water Conference 2026, organised by the Energy and Water Agency with the support of SD-Wishees.

The event brought together policymakers, experts and stakeholders to discuss Water Heritage in Malta and explore sustainable solutions to current water challenges.

During the conference, the RedeeM team presented the project's objectives, innovative Water-Energy-Food-Ecosystem (WEFE) Nexus approach, and proposed solutions to improve water resilience and address water scarcity and desertification across the Mediterranean.

The presentation was followed by engaging discussions and valuable networking opportunities with participants.

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Next newsletter

In our next newsletter, we'll share highlights from the RedeeM consortium's site visit in Portugal, showcasing the project in action and its work across Mediterranean rural areas.

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