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Cristina Casella, European Commission

Cristina is a Programme Manager at the European Commission, within the Directorate General in charge of partnerships and cooperation with Southern Neighbourhood countries. She is in charge of the climate action portfolio including a number of regional projects. She has been working in the international development field for the past 15 years, with experience both in EU Delegations and EU Headquarters, mostly on files related to environment and climate action.





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Agathe Lacombe is an international project manager who graduated from Sciences Po Paris (Institute of Political Studies). She holds a master's degree in Governance and Sustainable Development of Large Metropolises and has been working in Senegal (2017) on the implementation of the first public urban transportation system of the Dakar region (Bus Rapid Transit) financed by the World Bank. She was then in charge of implementing the PEEB (Programme for Energy Efficiency in Buildings) in Senegal. The PEEB is an international initiative put in place by the AFD, ADEME and GIZ, which combine financing with technical and institutional assistance to support developing countries in their transition to low-carbon and resilient building sector. Her skills are particularly focused on policy implementation, capacity building, policy analysis and studies.



Maria Albuquerque **ADENE – Portugal**

Ms Maria has a Master's degree in Environmental Engineering from NOVA School of Science and Technology | FCT NOVA.

During the development of the master's thesis, Maria began working at Ana Salgueiro Consulting for Sustainability, supporting the management of the Environmental Fund's Notices for Energy Efficiency in Residential Buildings, assessing the environmental legal compliance of an industrial company, supporting the design and implementation of sustainability action plans for companies in the tourism sector and local verification of projects funded by EEA Grants.

Currently, Maria is a technical expert in the Cooperation and Institutional Affairs Department at ADENE - Portuguese energy agency - where she works mainly on national cooperation - National Coordination of the Covenant of Mayors - and international cooperation - supporting the Concerted Action on Buildings (A2.2), Water-Energy Nexus (A3.1.3) and Twinning Agreements (A3.2.2) activities of meetMED II project.



Aristotelis Botzios **Engineer, Centre for Renewable Energy** **Sources and Saving (CRES) – Greece**

A. Botzios-Valaskakis holds a Bachelor's Degree in Mechanical Engineering and a Master's Degree in Environmental Engineering. He has 18 years of experience in the fields of energy efficiency and renewable energy. He is currently working at CRES and his range of expertise includes providing technical support to public authorities for the development of sustainable energy policies; implementing energy audits; monitoring and verifying energy performance of energy efficiency projects; conducting techno-economic feasibility studies for the implementation of energy efficiency and renewable energy projects; developing Energy Performance Contracts (EPC); carrying on dynamic energy modelling and assessment of buildings; and implementing techno-economic feasibility studies and Environmental Impact Assessment Studies of Renewable Energy Power Plants.



Maged MAHMOUD
Technical Director, Regional Center for Renewable Energy and Energy Efficiency (RCREEE)

Maged Mahmoud is a sustainable energy expert and the Technical Director of RCREEE. He has joined RCREEE in 2011, where he played a key role in formulating renewable energy (RE) strategies and introducing respective implementation mechanisms focusing on increased reliance on private sector. Dr. Mahmoud is an active member of the League of Arab States RE/EE Committee and since 2013 he has been leading the regional “Private Investment Promotion Portfolio”, where several business models and instruments have been explored to support both utility- and small-scale developers, and to assess the economic and social impacts. He has also served for 20 years at the Egyptian New and Renewable Energy Authority (NREA). Among his key achievements, he contributed significantly to setting the Egyptian RE 2022 strategy targeting 20% renewables share, and in the design of the “best-fit” policies and measures for the strategy implementation. He deeply contributed to planning and contracting several megawatts of wind energy projects amounting to more than 700 million USD. Dr. Mahmoud holds the “Egyptian Academy of Scientific Research Award for Development and Innovations in Renewable Energy” since 2001. He has managed and contributed to over 40 research projects and studies in the sustainable energy fields in collaboration with national and international organizations.



Sabine Saad **ALMEE – Lebanon**

Specialist in Renewable Energy and Sustainability, Sabine SAAD is an expert who has been involved in many projects related to this field in Lebanon and the region. She handled topics such as energy policies at the municipal level, establishing sustainable energy action plans, implementation, and evaluation, and she has developed a new tool for this purpose. She mostly worked on mitigation, energy efficiency, GHG emissions reduction, solid waste management, as well as training and awareness seminars and workshops in such fields. She is graduated from the Faculty of Engineering of the Lebanese University, got a Ph.D. in Renewable Energy and Sustainability in both the Lebanese University and Saint-Joseph University.



Alessandra Gugliandolo **Engineer, ENEA – Italy**

She is part of the LAERTES laboratory within the DUEE SPS SIE department and is currently responsible for the research activity called EDI (Energy Efficiency of Buildings through the Adoption of Innovative Materials and Renewable Energy). She holds a Master's degree in Building Engineering for Refurbishment and is specialised in energy saving issues. She deals with energy audits, energy surveys and is an expert in stationary and dynamic energy modelling.

She has a particular interest in the design and study of near-zero energy buildings, as expert in energy efficiency of the building envelope and technical systems. She is involved in the study of innovative materials, energy saving technologies. Its activities also include energy audits and training and information activities.



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