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## CO2 PACMAN Impact Forum

### *Co-Designing Pathways to Climate Neutrality: From Island Experience to Wider Change*

20–22 May 2026  
Athens, Greece



#### Venue:

Divani Acropolis Hotel 19-25 Parthenonos Street Athens,  
Greece



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## Wednesday 20/5/2026

### 21:00 | Consortium Dinner organized by TUC-ReSEL

Private networking dinner for project partners and invited stakeholders

Location: Moma (Adrianou 29, Athina 105 55)

## DAY 1 - Thursday 21/5/2026

Venue: Divani Acropolis Hotel (19-25 Parthenonos Street Athens, Greece)

### 8:30-11:00 | Cultural Visit

Visit to the Parthenon / Acropolis

### 13:00-14:00 | Networking Lunch organized by TUC-ReSEL

Location: Dionysos Zonar's Restaurant (Rovertou Galli 43, Athina 117 42)

### 14:30-15:00 | Registration

### 14:30-19:00 | Open VR Station

### 15:00-15:30 | Welcome and Opening Session

- Simone Bastianoni, *University of Siena - CO2 PACMAN Project Coordinator*
- Sophie Scarvelis, *Joint Secretariat, Projects Unit Manager, Interreg Euro-MED programme*

### 15:30-16:30 | *The Future of Climate Governance and Regional Action*

**Moderator:** Alexia Spyridonidou, *Climate Governance Specialist, Ambassadors for #DiversityInTransport , EPLO - CO2 PACMAN Project Partner*

**Co-Moderator:** Simone Bastianoni, *University of Siena - CO2 PACMAN Project Coordinator*

#### Speakers:

- Dr. Vangelis Marinakis, *President of Development Athens*
- David Barontini, *Regional Councilor (Environment, Circular Economy and Climate), Tuscany Region*



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## Testimonials from the three pilot islands of CO2 PACMAN

- Representative of island of Crete: Nikos Xylouris, *Vice Governor of Region of Crete*
- Representative of the island of Brač: Vanja Purić, *Director of LAG BRAČ*
- Representative of island of Elba: Claudio Della Lucia, *Delegate of Municipalities of Elba*

## 16:30-17:30 | Panel I: Young Voices from the Three Islands *Lessons Learned & Local Climate Action*

**Moderator:** Sofia Gialama, *Sustainability Consultant, an EU Climate Pact Ambassador*

### 16:30 – 16:50 | Brač

- Presentation of transition scenarios developed for Brač Island  
Martin Bučan, *Split-Dalmatia County - CO2 PACMAN Project Partner*
- Youth Think Tank Elba Island  
Students and Teachers of High Schools “SŠ SUPETAR” and “SŠ BOL”

### 16:50 - 17:10 | Crete

- Presentation of transition scenarios developed for Crete Island  
Stavroula Tournaki, *Technical University of Crete - CO2 PACMAN Project Partner*
- Youth Think Tank Elba Island  
Students and Teachers of High Schools “Experimental Junior High School of Rethymno “(TBC)

### 17:10 – 17:30 | Elba

- Presentation of transition scenarios developed for Elba Island  
Gabriele Paolinelli, *University of Florence - CO2 PACMAN Project Partner*
- Youth Think Tank Elba Island  
Students and Teachers of High School ISIS “Raffaello Foresi”

### 17:30-18:00 | Coffee Break

### 18:00-18:30 | Policy Forum intervention by the JS



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### 18:30-19:15 | Interreg Euro-MED Policy Perspectives

- Nicoletta Patrizi, Training programme for regional policies *Community for Innovation, ISE Mission*
- Marina Kouta, *From Dialogue to Impact: Shaping Green Living Areas for Mediterranean GLA Mission*
- Tonia Koutsopoulou, *Thematic Papers Community for Tourism (C4T), Sustainable Tourism Mission*

### 19:15-19:30 | Closing Remarks

### 20:00-21:00 | Networking Dinner (in the hotel)

## DAY 2 – Friday 22/5/2026

Venue: Divani Acropolis Hotel (19-25 Parthenonos Street Athens, Greece)

### 9:30-10:00 | Registrations

### 10:00–10:10 | Opening and Recap from the Impact Forum – Day 1

#### Moderator:

-Ioannis Mardikis, *EPLO - CO2 PACMAN Project Partner*

#### Speakers:

CO2 PACMAN Project Coordination Team

### 10:10–10:30 | Keynote speeches: Designing Climate Neutrality Pathways

#### Speakers:

- Riccardo Maria Pulselli, *Prof. Mediterranean University of Reggio Calabria - CO2 PACMAN Associated Partner*
- Constantina Kottaridi, *Prof. University of Piraeus*
- Theocharis Tsoutsos, *Prof., School of Chemical & Environmental Engineering, TU Crete - CO2 PACMAN Project Partner*



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## 10:30–11:00 | Innovation Challenge: Private Sector Solutions for Local and Regional Climate Transition

**Moderator:** Carmen Renovell, CEEI Valencia - *CO2 PACMAN Project Partner*

### Speakers:

- Ilenia Conesa Rodríguez, *Communication Manager Effiwaste* and Andrés Arconada, *LIS Data Solutions* (Solvers representative from Crete)
- Petar Anibalović, *Vodovod Brač d.o.o.* and Javier Sanz, *Fibsen* (Challenger and Solver representative from Brač)
- Claudio Della Lucia, CER ELBA – Renewable Energy Community Elba island (Challenger representative from Elba)

## 11:00–11:15 | Coffee Break

## 11:15–11:35 | Interactive Tools for Climate-Neutral Interventions: Engagement and Evaluation

### Speakers:

- Konstantinos Smagas, *GEO Imaging* - *CO2 PACMAN Project Partner*
- Vasilis Petrou, *GEO Imaging* - *CO2 PACMAN Project Partner*

## 11:35–12:00 | Landscape Scenarios for Climate-Neutral Interventions

### Speaker:

- Gabriele Paolinelli, *University of Florence* - *CO2 PACMAN Project Partner*

## 12:00–12:20 | The CO2 PACMAN Tool: Exploring Decarbonisation Options

### Speaker:

- Martina Vinci, *University of Siena* - *CO2 PACMAN Project Partner*

## 12:20–12:30 | Youth and Community Engagement: Voices from Crete, Brač and Elba award ceremony

## 12:30–13:00 | Community for living areas presentation Innovative tools in the services of urban context

### Speaker:

- Mary Krimniani, *Community for living Areas Mission, Region of Western Greece*



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## 13:00–13:15 | Euro-MED Academy: Climate Neutrality Planning with the CO2 PACMAN Toolkit

### Speakers:

- Nicoletta Patrizi, *Euro-MED Academy Coordination team. Community 4 Innovation Project, University of Siena*
- Ema Midzic, *CENER 21 - CO2 PACMAN Project Partner*
- George Karapatouchas, *University of Athens*

## 13:15–13:30 | Final Conclusions and Capitalization Priorities

### Speakers:

- Ioannis Mardikis, *EPLO - CO2 PACMAN Project Partner*
- Simone Bastianoni, *University of Siena - CO2 PACMAN Project Coordinator*

## 13:30–15:00 | Lunch (in the Hotel)



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# CO2 PACMAN IMPACT FORUM:

Co-Designing Pathways to Climate Neutrality From Island  
Experience to Wider Change



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## 01 | Event Overview

Welcome to Athens for the CO2 PACMAN Impact Forum, titled “Co-Designing Pathways to Climate Neutrality: From Island Experience to Wider Change”, taking place from 20 to 22 May 2026 at the Divani Acropolis Hotel in Athens, Greece. The Forum will bring together project partners, researchers, policy makers, local authorities, youth representatives and stakeholders from across the Mediterranean region in order to exchange experiences and discuss climate neutrality pathways and regional cooperation.

Athens, one of the oldest cities in Europe, offers a unique combination of historical heritage and vibrant urban life. During the Forum, participants will have the opportunity not only to engage in discussions and networking activities, but also to experience some of the city’s most iconic cultural landmarks located within walking distance from the venue.

## 02 | How to reach Athens

Athens is accessible through Athens International Airport “Eleftherios Venizelos”, the main international airport of Greece, located approximately thirty-five kilometres from the city centre. The airport is connected with central Athens through efficient public transportation services operating throughout the day.

The most convenient transportation option is Metro Line 3, also known as the Blue Line. The metro station is located directly outside the Arrivals terminal and connects the airport with central stations including Syntagma, Monastiraki and Acropolis. The journey to the city centre usually takes approximately forty to forty-five minutes. Participants staying close to the Forum venue are advised to use Acropolis station, while Monastiraki station is recommended for those attending the consortium dinner on the first evening.



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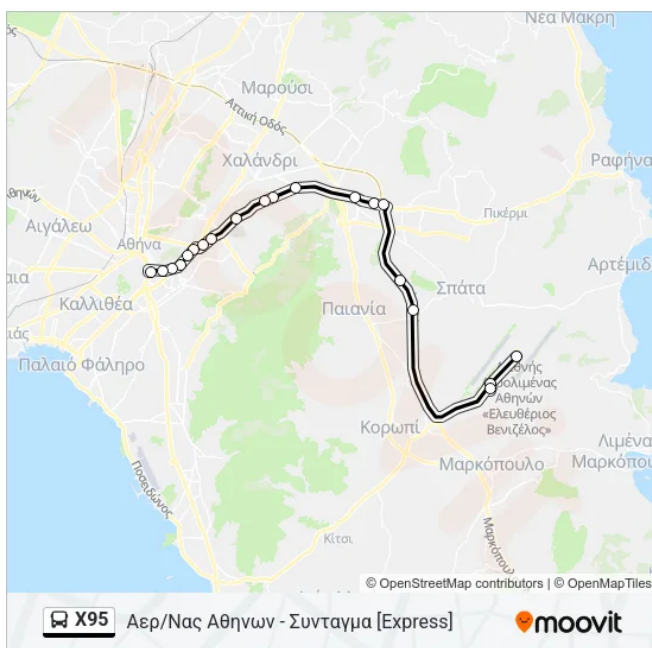
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Another transportation option is the X95 express bus line, which operates twenty-four hours per day between the airport and Syntagma Square. Depending on traffic conditions, the journey lasts approximately sixty to seventy-five minutes and offers a practical solution for participants arriving during late evening or early morning hours.



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# 03 | Meeting Venue DAY 1 - Wednesday 20/5/2026

## 21:00 | Consortium Dinner

Location: Moma (Adrianou 29, Athina 105 55)



The dinner will begin at 21:00 and will be hosted at Moma Restaurant, located at Adrianou 29 in the historic centre of Athens.

The restaurant is situated in the lively district of Monastiraki, one of the most famous neighbourhoods of Athens, known for its traditional atmosphere, pedestrian streets and impressive views of the Acropolis. The venue is located only a few minutes on foot from Monastiraki metro station, making access particularly easy for participants arriving from different areas of the city.



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# 04 | Meeting Venue DAY 2 - Thursday 21/5/2026

## 8:30-11:00 Cultural Visit

Visit to the [Parthenon / Acropolis](#)



The second day of the programme will begin with a cultural visit to the Acropolis and the Parthenon from 08:30 until 11:00. Participants are requested to gather in front of the Acropolis entrance at 08:30. Due to the warm weather conditions usually experienced in Athens during May, participants are encouraged to wear comfortable walking shoes and bring hats, sunglasses and water.

## 13:00-14:00 | Networking Lunch

Location: [Dionysos Zonar's Restaurant \(Rovertou Galli 43, Athina 117 42\)](#)



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Following the cultural visit, a Networking Lunch will take place from 13:00 to 14:00 at Dionysos Zonar's Restaurant, located at Rovertou Galli 43.

### 14:30| Registration CO2 PACMAN Impact Forum

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# 05 | Meeting Venue DAY 3 - Friday 22/5/2026

09:00 | Registration CO2 PACMAN Impact Forum

Venue: Divani Acropolis Hotel (19-25 Parthenonos Street Athens, Greece)



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