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TITLE: <i>Win win solutions</i> – by Sergio Andreis, <i>COMPOSE WP 5 Capitalizing</i>	
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<p>DESCRIPTION</p> <p><i>The 2nd COMPOSE partners' meeting</i> took place last 13-15 June in Rethymno, hosted by the <i>Technical University of Crete</i> Colleagues and with the participation, for the <i>GreenCAP</i> project, of Gerasimos Mentzelopoulos, from <i>Patras Science Park</i>.</p> <p>In Rethymno we reviewed the work being carried out in 11 countries, planned the next steps for the successful project continuation and assessed the current EU post-<i>Paris Agreement</i> renewable energy sources (RES) and energy efficiency (EE) developments. Lučka Kajfež Bogataj, Climatologist at Ljubljana University, <i>IPCC</i> Member and <i>COMPOSE Ambassador</i>, shared her thoughts on the future of energy and stressed the need to improve energy literacy. It is a crucial time for the whole <i>Interreg MED Renewable Energy Community</i>: readers may remember that on 30 November 2016 the European Commission presented the <i>Clean energy for all Europeans</i> ¹ proposals, with the European Parliament repeatedly asking for 2030 RES and EE targets higher than those proposed by the Commission ².</p> <p>On 26 June 2017 Energy Ministers found an agreement, a so-called <i>General Approach</i>, on watered-down revisions of both the <i>Energy Performance of Buildings Directive</i> (EPBD) and the <i>Energy Efficiency Directive</i> (EED) ³ and the final EPBD and EED decisions are expected for 2018, after the compromise process among the European Commission, Council and Parliament.</p> <p>Maroš Šefčovič, Vice-President of the European Commission in charge of the <i>Energy Union</i> ⁴, has undertaken, in all Member States, the <i>Energy Union Tour</i> and his calendar is available on https://ec.europa.eu/commission/priorities/energy-union-and-climate/2017-energy-union-tour_en#country-visits. As <i>Community</i> we should use the opportunity to meet him, learn, share our experiences and advocate, with him and with our national Governments, for an ambitious revision of both Directives and for increased support to RES: because RES and EE are <i>win win</i> solutions to overcome the current climate crisis, support research & innovation, create new jobs and have higher daily living standards.</p>	
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