

# TRANSition Pathways and RISK Analysis for Climate Change Mitigation and **Adaptation Strategies**

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TRANSrisk is an exciting new EU Horizon 2020 project studying the risks and uncertainties that lie ahead as we transition to a low carbon world. At the core of TRANSrisk's work lie 15 country case studies. Each case study is focusing on fundamental changes to economies and societies that will arise from decarbonisation. To fully understand the range of transition pathways our case studies encompass the globe: from Europe and North America to the fast growing economies of Asia, Africa and Latin America. Each case study is led by expert academics based in the study country.

## The Greece Case Study - Solar Power, Buildings and Microgeneration and Storage

## The Greek PV Market

During the last decade, there has been increasing interest in PV generation in Greece. This is a result of the high solar potential in the country as well as the Feed in Tariffs that encouraged new investments. However, the Greek photovoltaic sector has vastly shrunk in recent years, mainly due to the changes in the regulatory framework and the incentives mechanism. The Greek case study explores the potential for the PV market (in terms of perspectives, energy prices and their impacts on investments, financial schemes, etc.), as well as the current policy framework, in order to survey the key drivers in the solar power sector towards a decarbonised Greek economy by 2050.

## The Greek Building Sector

The existing building stock in Greece, which is predominantly of **poor performance** and consequently in need of renovations, provides significant room for further decarbonisation. The case study, gives attention to the required renovation work, focusing mainly on investments in solar power generation, solar heating and cooling, and insulation measures.

#### Microgeneration and Storage

The case study aims to explore pathways towards a low carbon energy system that is based on the notion of prosumers (i.e. consumers that also generate power) and the diffusion of microgeneration and storage (both thermal and electrical) in the residential sector. Specifically, the effect of different pathways for demand management technologies and the appropriate market mechanisms are simulated and assessed.

## The Greek Case Study - Methodology







Literature Review

21 Semi-structured Stakeholders' Interviews

Stakeholders' Engagement Workshop 43 Participants

#### Stakeholders' Engagement

- \* regulatory authorities, government bodies
- \* power generating companies and industry
- \* consultancy and financing institutions
- industry associations and networks
- \* academic and research institutions
- environmental NGOs

# The Greek Case Study - Results

- \* Policy mix overview
- Societal Priorities
- \* Political Priorities
- \* Economic Priorities
- Life cycle value chain
- The Greek Solar Power and Building sector system maps



Stakeholders' Participation



National Observatory

## **Environmental Priorities**







Investments

Municipal Waste Disposal



Legislation



**Public Transportation** 

# The Greek Case Study - Risks and Opportunities

# **Perceived Risks**

Transformation of RE policy

Unstable economic environment

High cost of capital **Grid Connection** 

**Opportunities** 

Solar radiance

Lower costs

Role of local authorities Chance for a stable regulatory framework

Social acceptance

More information at the Greek Case study are available at the Results webpage of TRANSrisk Website.



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