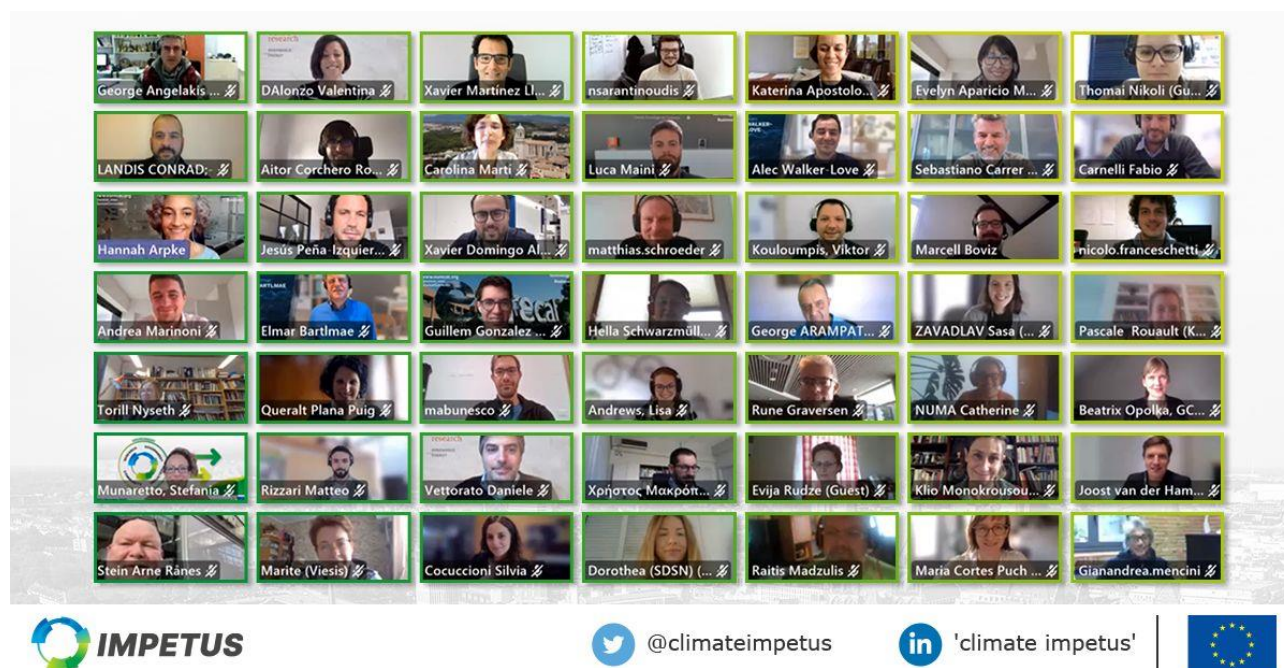


Press Release: IMPETUS KICK OFF MEETING



The kick off meeting of our newly funded **H2020 IMPETUS Project** to protect communities and the planet from climate change officially began this **20-21 October**, with a virtual kick-off meeting uniting motivated and multidisciplinary teams in research, policy, industry and civil society. Over 70 people participated!

Together we will work on solutions for a range of climate conditions – from the arctic to the Mediterranean basin – empowering communities and protecting key systems like water, agriculture and infrastructure.

Three pillars define our project:

Action

Technical and nature-based solutions, ranging from early warning systems and rapid risk appraisal of natural hazards to sand dune restoration

Information

Targeted analysis using the latest data sets, digital modelling and cutting-edge technology will determine the highest impact actions and decisions to take

Support

Collaborating with sectors, businesses and communities most at risk from climate change will help create solutions and define a transition that protects the environment and our economy

By putting transformative actions that change our climate future into place across Europe, IMPETUS aims to show what is possible – and give everyone the information and tools to achieve it for themselves.

We are **32 partners** in business, research, regional government, utilities and beyond in eight countries – and many more local partners and participants indirectly.

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Learn more about the project: <https://www.dept.aueb.gr/en/content/horizon-2020-impetus-dynamic-information-management-approach-implementation-climate>