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**Seminar**

# «Energy Transition in EU Islands: Challenges, Opportunities, and Future Scenarios»

**Friday 27<sup>th</sup> June 2025  
From 9.00 am to 2.30 pm  
Ca n'Oleo**

**Free  
event**  
Registration required

## INFORMATION



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**9.00 am. Welcome and Opening Remarks**

- Mr. Alejandro Sáenz de San Pedro, Minister for Enterprise, Employment and Energy, Government of the Balearic Islands
- Dr. Víctor Homar Santaner, Vice-Rector for Scientific Policy and Research, University of the Balearic Islands
- Ms. Catalina Barceló, Director General of Economy and Statistics, Government of the Balearic Islands
- Dr. Joana M. Seguí, Professor of Geography and Co-Director of the UIB-GOIB Insularity Chair

**11.30 - 12.00 pm. Coffee Break****12.00 - 12.45 pm. Presentation 4.****"The Challenges of Renewable Energy in European Islands: The Experience of the Clean Energy for EU Islands Secretariat"**

- Ms. Martina Cannata, Renewable Energy Consultant, CE4EUI Technical Assistance and Capacity Building Task Leader

**12.45 - 1.30 pm. Presentation 5.****"Insularity and Energy Transition: A Comparative Perspective"**

- Dr. Esteban Chornet, Industrial Engineer, Professor Emeritus, University of Sherbrooke (QC, Canada), Co-founder of ENERKEM Inc. and Chief Technology Officer of CRB Innovations

**1.30 - 2.30 pm. Round Table and Discussion**

## Moderator:

- Dr. Pau de Vilchez, Professor of Public International Law and Deputy Director of the Interdisciplinary Laboratory on Climate Change, University of the Balearic Islands

## Panelists:

- Mr. Diego Viu, General Director for Circular Economy, Energy Transition, and Climate Change, Government of the Balearic Islands
- Mr. Antonio Chinea, CEO of Gorona del Viento (El Hierro, Canary Islands) (joining via videoconference)
- Mr. Martí Ribas, General Manager of Endesa Balearic Islands
- Ms. Núria Albet, La Palma Renovable (La Palma, Canary Islands) (joining via videoconference)

**10.00 - 10.45 am. Presentation 2.****"The Case of Sardinia – Charting the Path Toward Sardinia's Energy Transition"**

- Dr. Susanna Moccia, Professor, Department of Electrical and Electronic Engineering, University of Cagliari (Sardinia)

**10.45 - 11.30 am. Presentation 3.****"The Case of Malta – Barriers and Opportunities for the Uptake of Renewables in the Maltese Archipelago"**

- Dr. Stefano Moncada, Professor of Economics, University of Malta, and Director of the Islands and Small States Institute

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