

# Newsletter 3

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## **Kick-Off Meeting Success!**

SHIELD Takes Flight in Kozani! 😚

The SHIELD project officially launched with a successful Kick-Off Meeting held on September 20th at the University of Western Macedonia (UoWM) in Kozani, Greece. Representatives from all partner organizations gathered to set the stage for this transformative initiative, marking the start of a journey toward sustainability, youth empowerment, and community well-being.

### **Highlights from the Day**

The meeting was an engaging and productive session, where key aspects of the project were discussed, and collaborative strategies were finalized. Highlights included:

Opening Remarks by UoWM: The University of Western Macedonia welcomed partners and presented its vision for SHIELD, emphasizing the critical connections between sustainable energy, climate action, and health optimization.

Partner Introductions: Representatives from Foundation Korenyak (Bulgaria) and DRVO (Croatia) shared their expertise and commitment to the project's goals.

Detailed Work Plan Review: Each work package was discussed in detail, with roles, timelines, and responsibilities clarified to ensure smooth implementation.

Interactive Planning Session: Partners brainstormed innovative ideas for the game-based learning modules and interactive community workshops that form the backbone of SHIELD.

















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#### Setting the Foundation for Success

The Kick-Off Meeting underscored the shared dedication of all partners to SHIELD's objectives. Discussions focused on creating engaging educational tools, fostering community involvement, and ensuring measurable impact through effective dissemination strategies.

#### **Looking Ahead**

With a solid foundation laid during the Kick-Off Meeting, SHIELD is ready to embark on its first steps:

- Launching the research phase to explore the energy-health nexus.
- Beginning the development of interactive learning modules.
- Preparing for community workshops and youth training sessions.

We are thrilled to see the enthusiasm and collaboration among our partners and look forward to sharing the outcomes of our efforts.

Stay connected with SHIELD as we continue to empower youth and communities for a sustainable and healthy future. Together, we can make a difference!











