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SDG 7 / INDICATOR 7.4.1

Local Community Outreach for Energy Efficiency

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SDG 7	7.4.1	29
Affordable and Clean Energy	Local community outreach for energy efficiency	Listed outreach events, 2023–2025

Purpose of this evidence file

This fact file answers THE Impact Rankings SDG 7 measure 7.4.1: “Does your university as a body provide programmes for the local community to learn about the importance of energy efficiency and clean energy?” Cyprus International University (CIU) does, through public events and seminars on energy, a Sustainable Energy Research Center (SERC) that has worked on energy efficiency since 2009 and aims to raise public awareness and train energy experts, student-led renewable energy exhibitions, and technical visits to energy plants. The file lists 29 events and activities from 2023 to 2025 with links to the event pages.

INDICATOR 7.4.1

Local community outreach at a glance

CIU is dedicated to reaching people and informing the community about energy efficiency and clean energy.

The question and the answer

Question. Does your university as a body provide programmes for the local community to learn about the importance of energy efficiency and clean energy?

Answer: yes. CIU organizes public events, seminars, debates, competitions, exhibitions and technical visits on energy efficiency and clean energy every year, and its Sustainable Energy Research Center works to raise public awareness and to train energy experts.

29	2009	3 years
Listed events: 9 in 2023, 8 in 2024, 12 in 2025	Sustainable Energy Research Center established	Of published outreach lists, 2023 to 2025

Headline result

Programmes for the community. CIU publishes an outreach list each year on its website, with dated events such as the debate “Fossil fuels vs renewables” (2023), “Energy transition” (2024) and the Sustainable Capstone Projects exhibition (December 2025).

A research centre that teaches. SERC states that it aims to increase public awareness of energy efficiency, to train qualified energy-efficiency experts in Northern Cyprus and to advise decision makers.

Learning by seeing. Student projects (solar car prototypes, wind turbines, solar water heating, hydroelectric models) and visits to a photovoltaic plant and a power station show energy systems at work.

Evidence scope

No.	Evidence item	Value / note
1	Outreach events organized in 2025: seminars, competitions, conferences, technical visits and exhibitions	12 events
2	Outreach events listed for 2024, including energy transition, power generation and energy literacy	8 events
3	Outreach events listed for 2023, including debates, a wind-speed competition and visits	9 entries
4	Sustainable Energy Research Center: public-awareness and training aims, 2021 cooperation protocol	Est. 2009
5	SCAP renewable and clean energy exhibition with Danfoss Turkey keynote	2023–2024 Fall
6	Renewable energy pledge and participation in energy bodies	Pledge 2024

EVENTS REGISTER

Outreach events

Some of the notable events organized by CIU, newest first.

No.	Event	Date	Time	Evidence
1	Sustainable Capstone Projects (SCAP) Fall 2025–2026 Exhibition and Certificate Ceremony	24 December 2025	14:30	Event page
2	Sustainability Concerns in Construction Sector	17 December 2025	–	Event page
3	Industrial Heritage: Forgotten Factories, Memorable Architecture	16 December 2025	14:00	Event page
4	Introduction to Building Automation	5 December 2025	10:00	Event page
5	SCAP Creativity Competition	3 December 2025	14:30	Event page
6	Engineering Faculty Orientation / Introduction Event	26 November 2025	10:00	Event page
7	Application of Geophysical Techniques in Civil Engineering Site Investigation	25 November 2025	15:30	Event page
8	Technical Visit to BEM Cement Factory	24 November 2025	08:30	Event page
9	Planning the Vertical City: The Legacy of the Pyramidal Regulation in Tehran's High-Rise Development	5 November 2025	–	Event page
10	TEKNOFEST KKTC	5 May 2025	–	Event page
11	4th International Conference on Sustainable Ecological Agriculture (ICSEA)	5 May 2025	–	Event page
12	Inter-Vocational High School Knowledge and Skills Competition, Agricultural Technologies	5 May 2025	–	Event page

Note

Event posters for each of these events are reproduced on the following pages.

EVENTS REGISTER • 2024

Outreach events in 2024

Energy events listed on the CIU local-community outreach page for 2024, in date order.

No.	Event	Date	Time	Evidence
1	Creativity Journey of CIU Engineering Students: Using Waste to Produce Energy	3 Jan 2024	14:30	Event page
2	The Future of Petroleum and Natural Gas	11 Mar 2024	13:30	Event page
3	Society of Petroleum Engineers	15 Mar 2024	10:00	Event page
4	SET Event: Determining the Energy Literacy of CIU Students	22–29 Apr 2024	–	Event page
5	Energy Transition	7 May 2024	10:30	Event page
6	WATT's the Matter: Insight into Power Generation Infrastructure in Cyprus	17 May 2024	14:30	Event page
7	Energy Systems Engineering Club Get-Together	21 May 2024	14:30	Event page
8	Technical Trip to Kaya Artemis Photovoltaic (PV) Powerplant	30 May 2024	–	Event page

EVENTS REGISTER • 2023

Outreach events in 2023

Energy events listed on the CIU local energy outreach page for 2023, in date order. Titles follow the event page names.

No.	Event	Date	Time	Evidence
1	Anniversary of the Chernobyl Disaster	28 Apr 2023	14:30	Event page
2	Electric Power Systems	16 May 2023	10:00	Event page
3	Debate: Fossil Fuels vs Renewables	16 May 2023	14:30	Event page
4	Wind Speed Measurement Competition	25 May 2023	–	Event page
5	Sustainable Capstone Projects	1 Jun 2023	–	Event page
6	Renew Your Summer: Renewables	20 Sep 2023	14:30	Event page
7	Sustainable Capstone Projects (registration deadline 6 Oct 2023)	6 Oct 2023	–	Event page
8	Teknecik Power Plant Technical Trip	16 Nov 2023	09:30	Event page
9	Electrify, Digitalize and Sustain	28 Dec 2023	10:30	Event page

COMMUNITY EDUCATION AND AWARENESS

How CIU teaches the community about energy

Programmes and bodies behind the events, from the CIU website and news pages.

Ref.	Programme	What is provided	Evidence
C1	**Public awareness** SERC aim	The Sustainable Energy Research Center states that it aims to increase public awareness of energy efficiency, to train qualified energy-efficiency experts in Northern Cyprus and to advise decision makers on an energy efficiency law.	SERC news, 2021
C2	**Training and certification** Energy auditors	The same article describes SERC as authorised to issue energy auditor and energy management certificates, and as running live student projects on campus buildings.	SERC news, 2021
C3	**Cooperation protocol** Osmaniye Korkut Ata University	In November 2021 SERC signed a protocol with the Energy Education Application and Research Center at Osmaniye Korkut Ata University for joint education, scientific work and exchange of academics and students.	SERC news, 2021
C4	**Student exhibitions** SCAP, with Danfoss Turkey	Sustainable Capstone Projects show solar car prototypes, wind turbines, solar water heating and hydroelectric models, with a keynote by Danfoss Turkey on sustainability and decarbonization; exhibitions were held in 2023–2024 and December 2025.	Exhibition news
C5	**Energy literacy** Survey week, April 2024	A Society of Energy Technology event, 22–29 April 2024, determined the energy literacy of CIU students, which feeds later events.	Event page
C6	**Renewable energy pledge** 100% renewable aim	CIU pledges to use 100% renewable energy on campus, reports about 30% today, and takes part in energy bodies such as the TRNC Joint Energy Working Group.	Pledge document
C7	**Free community programmes** Seminars and events	The SDG 3 and SDG 7 pages state that CIU runs free educational programmes, events and seminars for the community, some with government and NGO partners.	CIU events

Points to strengthen before submission

Public reach. The event pages do not state attendance or who attended. Add participant counts and mark events that were open to the public, schools or local residents.

Energy focus. Several 2025 events are general engineering or heritage events (for example the Tehran high-rise lecture, Industrial Heritage, the orientation event and the cement factory visit). The most direct energy events are the SCAP exhibition and competition, Introduction to Building Automation, and Sustainability Concerns in Construction.

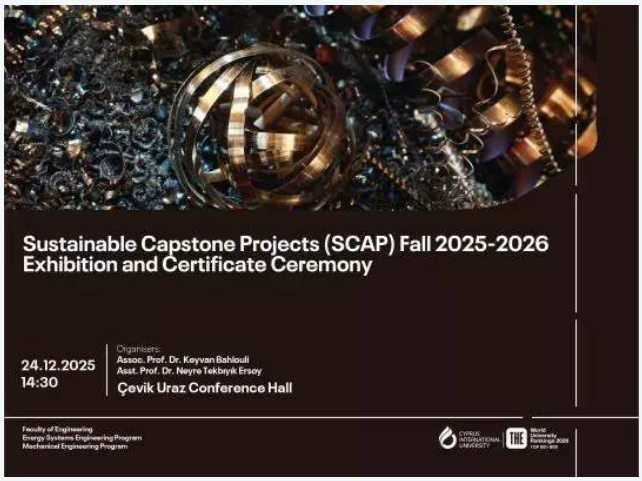
Schools and public. A recurring programme aimed at schools, municipalities or residents (for example open days at the solar plant or workshops on household energy saving) would answer the question more directly.

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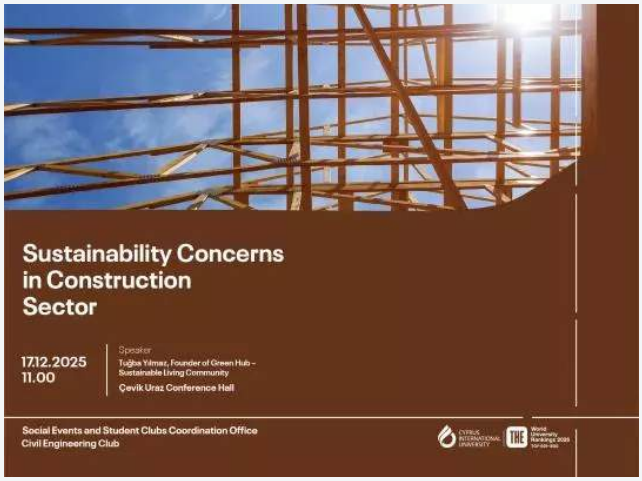
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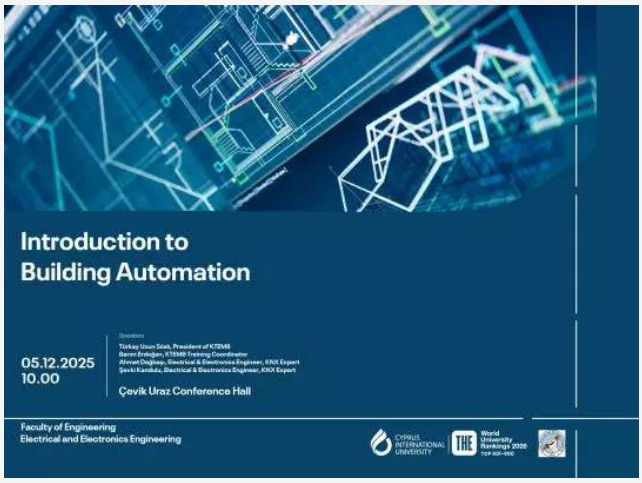
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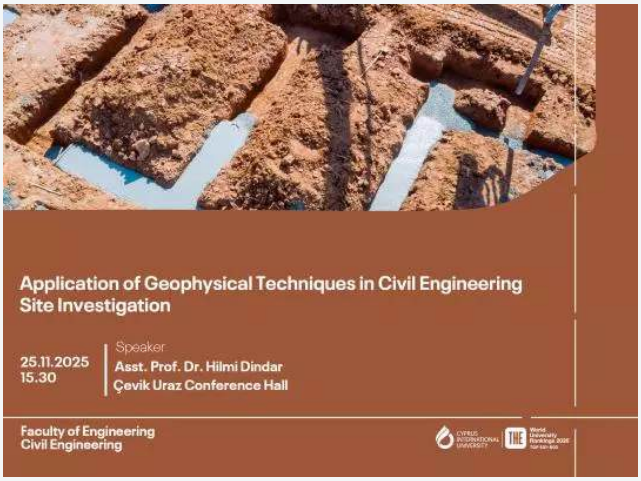
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5. SCAP Creativity Competition • 3 December 2025



6. Engineering Faculty Orientation / Introduction Event • 26 November 2025



7. Application of Geophysical Techniques in Civil Engineering Site Invest... • 25 November 2025



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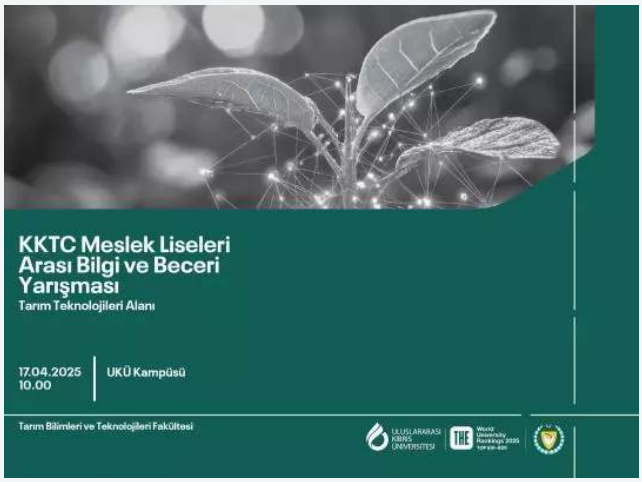
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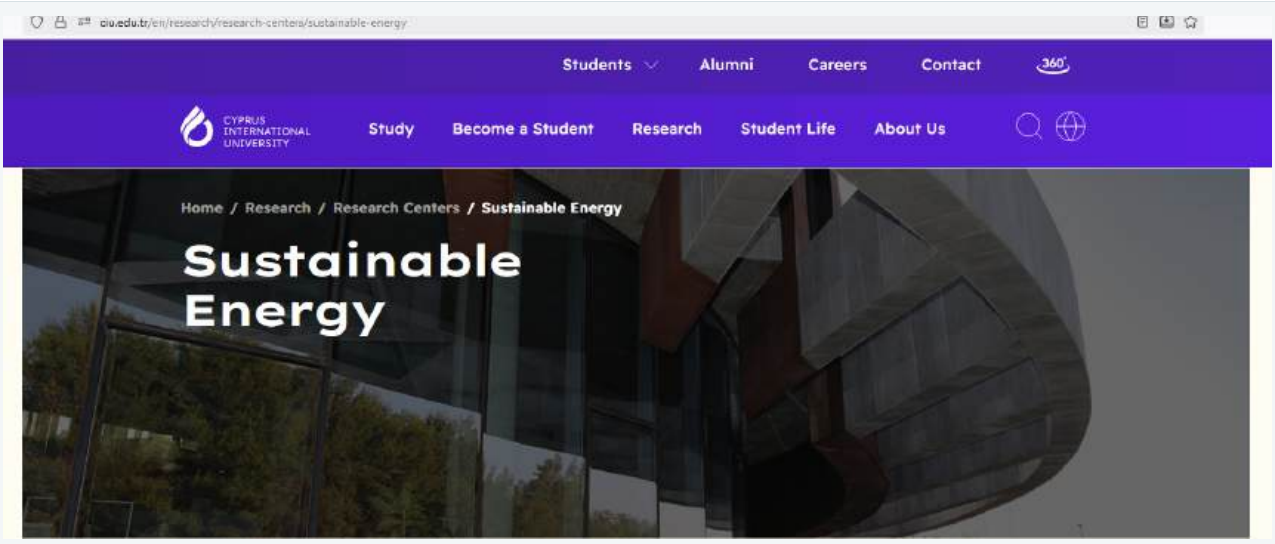


12. Inter-Vocational High School Knowledge and Skills Competition, Agricul... • 5 May 2025

RESEARCH CENTER

Sustainable Energy Research Center (SERC)

CIU established SERC in 2009; it conducts projects and research.



SERC page on the CIU website



SERC – projects and publications

SUPPORTING EVIDENCE

SCAP renewable and clean energy project exhibition

Student-led Sustainable Energy Projects under the Sustainable Capstone Projects (SCAP) program.

Item	Detail
Event	Exhibition of student-led Sustainable Energy Projects under the SCAP (Sustainable Capstone Projects) program
Period	2023–2024 Fall Semester
Projects	Solar car prototypes, wind turbines, solar water heating systems and hydroelectric generation models
Focus	Sustainable design, repurposing electronic waste, and real-time energy testing and analysis, developed in interdisciplinary teams
Keynote	Danfoss Turkey's Commercial Buildings Senior Sales Manager, on best practices in sustainability and decarbonization
SDGs	SDG 7 (Affordable and Clean Energy), further supporting SDG 4 (Quality Education), SDG 9 (Industry, Innovation and Infrastructure), SDG 13 (Climate Action) and SDG 17 (Partnerships for the Goals)



CIU news: Renewable/clean energy project display at CIU

Evidence statement

CIU hosted this exhibition to promote awareness and innovation in renewable and clean energy. The initiative highlights CIU's commitment to SDG 7 by integrating renewable energy education with real-world experimentation, supported by a collaborative, hands-on approach to student empowerment and clean energy development. Source: https://ciu.edu.tr/en/news/renewableclean-energy-project-display-ciu