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Presentation title:	Reinforcing the Role of Buildings within the Context of Energy Transition

The main aim of the presentation is to describe the existing policy framework, which is related to the production and consumption of energy in buildings according to the provisions of the National Energy and Climate Plan. Moreover, the new provisions of the Energy Efficiency Directive, the Energy Performance Building Directive and Renewable Energy Directive will be analyzed focusing on the main opportunities and challenges, which are driven by the implementation of the European legislative framework, highlighting the crucial role of the buildings in the energy transition of the country and the attainment of the energy and climate targets. The presentation will focus on the main strategies, technologies, and policies enabling the decarbonization of building sector in Greece.

Short CV (EN):

Dr. Christos Tourkolias is Chemical Engineer of National Technical University of Athens and he holds a Master in Engineering – Economic Systems and a PhD in Energy and Environmental Economics. Nowadays, he is scientific associate at CRES with specialization in energy policy analysis and planning, while he has significant contribution to the preparation of national energy and climate plans.

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Ο Δρ. Χρήστος Τουρκολιάς είναι Χημικός Μηχανικός του Εθνικού Μετσόβιου Πολυτεχνείου και κατέχει Μεταπτυχιακό Δίπλωμα Ειδίκευσης στα Τεχνο-Οικονομικά Συστήματα καθώς και Διδακτορικό Δίπλωμα στην Ενεργειακή και Περιβαλλοντική Οικονομία. Σήμερα είναι επιστημονικός συνεργάτης στο ΚΑΠΕ με εξειδίκευση στην ανάλυση και τον σχεδιασμό ενεργειακών πολιτικών, ενώ έχει σημαντική συνεισφορά στην κατάρτιση εθνικών σχεδίων για την ενέργεια και το κλίμα.

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