The European Renewable Energy Skills Alliance

THE PITCH

The European Renewable Energy Skills Alliance is an action-oriented community that brings together partners who work on the same or similar challenges with the aim of tackling the skills shortage in the renewable energy sector.

Why join

This is the place to bring your skills-related challenge, discuss it with peers, get advice, co-create solutions, and help others too.

In this network, you can engage in problem-solving conversations, share expertise, access training opportunities, and explore synergies across sectors and countries.

By joining the Alliance, you become part of the solution.

Who can join

Project consortia, industry associations, education providers, companies, national and regional stakeholders, and other actors are welcome to bring their problems and participate in the discussion.

Get in touch

For questions on how to join the Alliance, please contact Maria Sotiropoulou at m.sotiropoulou@gcpeurope.eu.

Briefing for RESkill4NetZero partners

Three points to keep in mind from the pitch

- The Alliance is an action-oriented community of organisations working on skills challenges/solutions in renewable energy.
- It is the place to raise a skills-related challenge or solution and help each other.
- By joining, you become part of the solution.

1. Why did we create it?

Across Europe, many organisations and projects are working on the same skills problems at the same time, often without knowing about each other. Good solutions stay within one project or one country, and when a project ends, its results are often lost. The Alliance connects those who have a problem with those who have already found an answer and keeps useful results in use after individual projects end. It is not another layer of EU governance: it works alongside the Renewable Energy Skills Partnership, which sets the strategic direction at EU level, and turns it into practical cooperation on the ground.

2. How does it work?

Members tell us about the skills challenges they face and/or the solutions they can offer. We bring together those who can help each other, and the exchange happens in the Alliance Dialogues. Participants discuss solutions, share best practices and outcomes worth knowing about. Depending on the setting, they are held under the Chatham House Rule, so people can speak openly, or hosted publicly. They take place at three levels:

- Project Dialogues: EU-funded projects present and discuss their results and deliverables and find synergies. Example - the November 2025 Dialogue session.
- European Dialogues : Examples - Installers Summit 2025, EU Sustainable Energy Week 2026 session.
- National Dialogues: Examples - sessions in Barcelona, Copenhagen and Oslo in spring 2026.

3. What do members gain?

- Practical help: advice from peers who have faced the same problem, and solutions that already work elsewhere.
- Visibility and new partners across sectors and countries, including for future joint projects. For EU projects, a way to keep their results in use after the project ends.
- A voice at EU level: what comes out of the Dialogues feeds into the RESP and can reach the EU institutions.

4. What kind of challenges can be brought?

A few examples you can use or tailor:

- Qualifications earned in one country are not recognised in another, so skilled workers cannot easily move where they are needed.
- Apprenticeships are too expensive for small companies, so they stop training new people.
- Installers increasingly work on hybrid systems (e.g., combining solar thermal, heat pumps and PV), but training is still organised around individual technologies.
- Training providers lack detailed data on which skills are needed, so courses risk missing the market.

5. How do you join?

Until the official form is available on the project's website, please get in touch with Maria directly - m.sotiropoulou@gcpeurope.eu .