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<h3>THE PACT OF ISLANDS ADOPTED BY THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT</h3>
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The [Written Declaration](#) on the establishment of the **Pact of Islands** as an official European Union initiative has been adopted by the European Parliament on 19<sup>th</sup> of January 2012 with 388 signatures.

The initiative was launched by Spyros Danellis (GR-SD), Maria Da Graça Carvalho (PT-EPP), Giommara Uggias (IT-ALDE), Alyn Smith (UK-GREENS) and Kyriacos Mavronikolas (CY-SD), on 12 September 2011 in order to promote the [Pact of Islands](#) as an EU initiative and create the conditions for the continuation of the [ISLE-PACT](#) process after 2012. The Pact of Islands has 62 signatories-island authorities to date.

ISLE-PACT is co-financed by the European Commission, (DG ENER) and is committed to developing Island Sustainable Energy Action Plans and a pipeline of Bankable Projects with the aim of meeting or exceeding the EU sustainability targets of 20/20/20 for the year 2020.

Currently, there are 12 participating groups of European Islands (over 50 islands) involved; cooperation with more islands is welcome as the Pact of Islands process has been conceived to include all European Islands.

*"We are proud of this result and confident that the European Commission will mobilise the appropriate financial resources to support the functioning of the Pact process, based on the model of the Covenant of Mayors, Smart Cities and other similar EU initiatives".* Stated the President of Sardinia (IT) and President of the CPMR Islands Commission **Ugo Cappellacci**.

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