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# CIEP – Climate Innovators Energising Platform

## Handbook for Teachers

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## About CIEP

The Climate Innovators Energising Platform (CIEP) is an Erasmus+ project that offers an open access digital environment to raise quality standards of educational services in the field of sustainability across the EU.

The Platform serves as a one-stop-shop for the many existing educational programmes on sustainability. The CIEP Platform hosts providers of sustainability educational projects, programmes, challenges, assessment tools and/or labels that primary, secondary and VET (Vocational Education and Training) schools can use and integrate into their curricula.

Within the CIEP platform, all educational services are aligned to the UN Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs). The objective of the CIEP Platform is to create 1 million young climate innovators in the EU by 2030, ambitious we know, but it is possible with the support of primary, secondary and VET schools throughout the EU.

## Who is the target audience for this handbook?

This handbook is specifically designed for educators and teachers who are interested in engaging their students in climate innovation, sustainability, and fostering a conscious approach to our planet. The handbook is tailored to the needs of primary and secondary school teachers, vocational education instructors, and educators at higher schools and universities. It equips them with the necessary resources and strategies to integrate climate innovation and sustainability into their teaching methods and curriculum.

School teachers can benefit from using the CIEP Platform, making their learners more engaged with sustainability. Although some educational programmes are specifically intended for a certain educational level, many programmes can be implemented within a wide range of educational sectors and school levels, from formal to informal learning settings, from elementary and secondary schools to VET schools. Similarly, some educational programmes can be personalised according to the needs, interests and learning objectives of each classroom.

Many educational programmes can be implemented into the classroom through the use of innovative pedagogical approaches and technological tools, such as constructivism, learning by doing, collaborative learning, case study, flipped classroom, project based, inquiry based, discussion, microlearning, and so on.

As a result, teachers will improve their digital skills and of course their delivery. Importantly, teachers can offer a didactic that is inclusive and flexible to each individual learners needs and abilities with respect to learning contents, complexity of assignments and assessment methods.
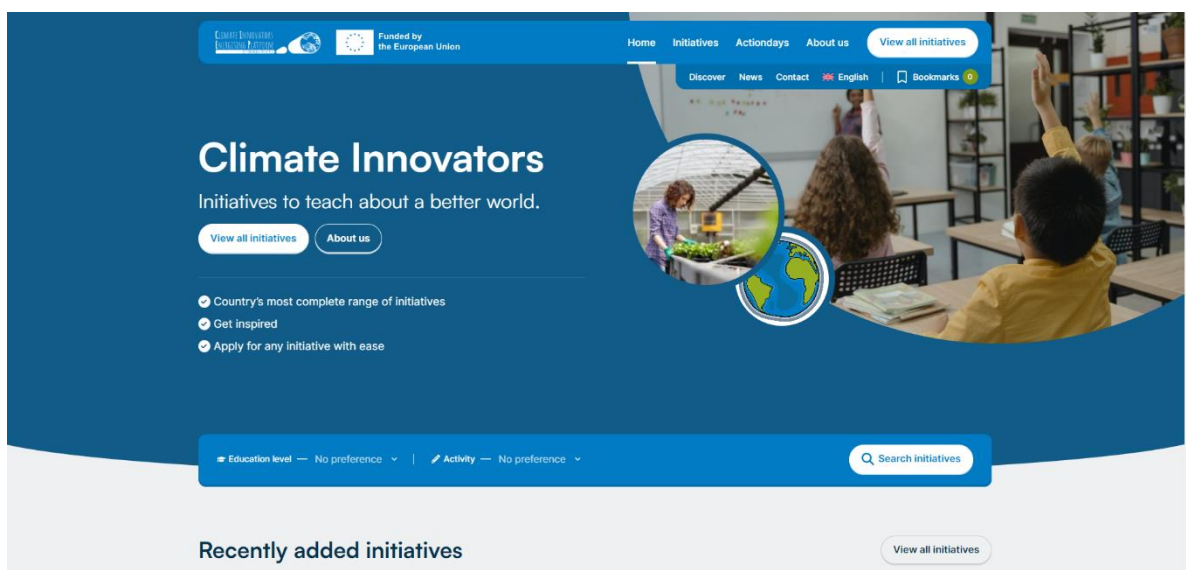
# The Handbook

## Initiatives

### What is an initiative?

An initiative on the CIEP platform represents a purpose-driven effort or project that is centred around climate innovation, sustainability, and environmental awareness. Initiatives are designed to make a tangible and positive impact on our planet by addressing climate-related challenges and supporting the Sustainable Development Goals (SDG). Initiatives encompass a wide range of activities, from educational programmes and awareness campaigns to practical projects that promote sustainability and climate-conscious behaviours.
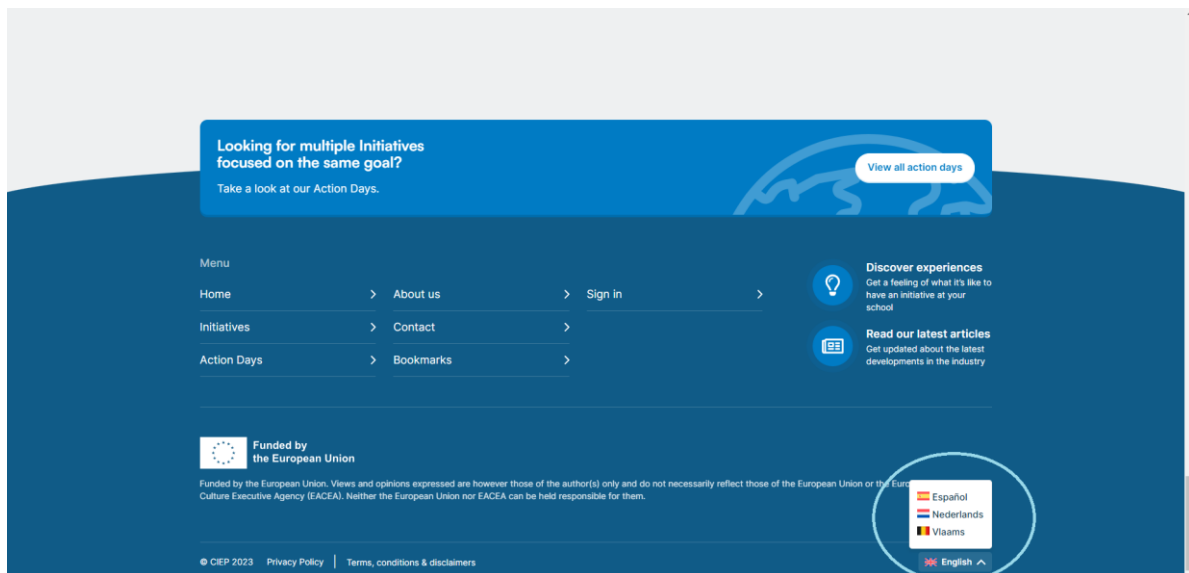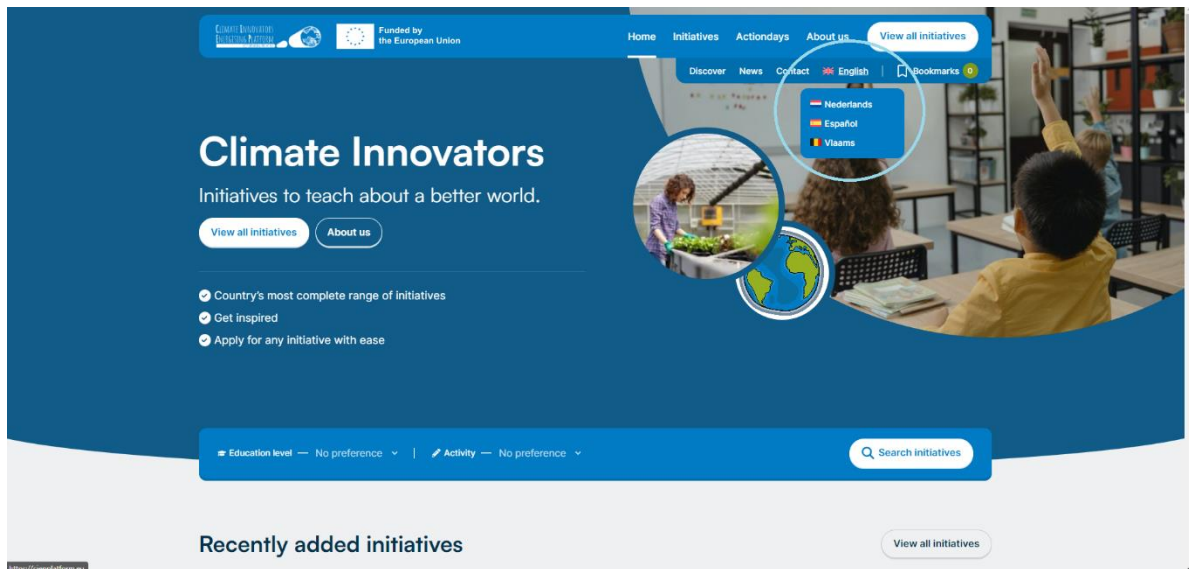
### How can I apply a filter to search within all initiatives?

The following steps guide you in order to sign up for a new initiative.
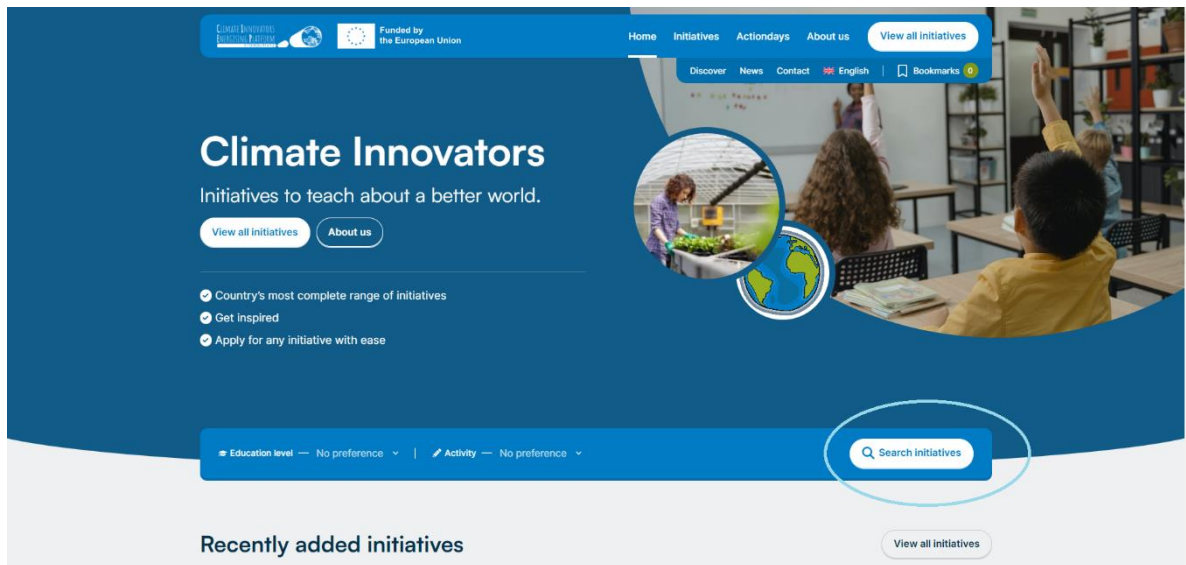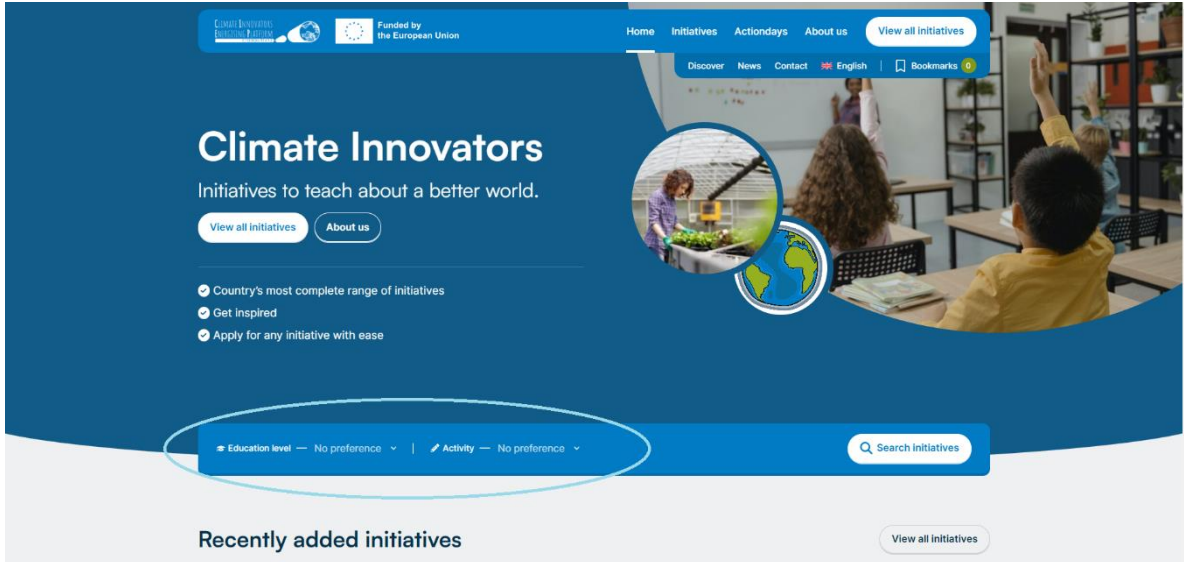
1) To access the platform, visit ciepplatform.eu.

2) You can specify your language preference (English, Spanish, Dutch, or Flemish) either at the top bar or the bottom of the webpage. Each language preference is associated with a specific country. By indicating your language, the website will display relevant initiatives applicable to your country.
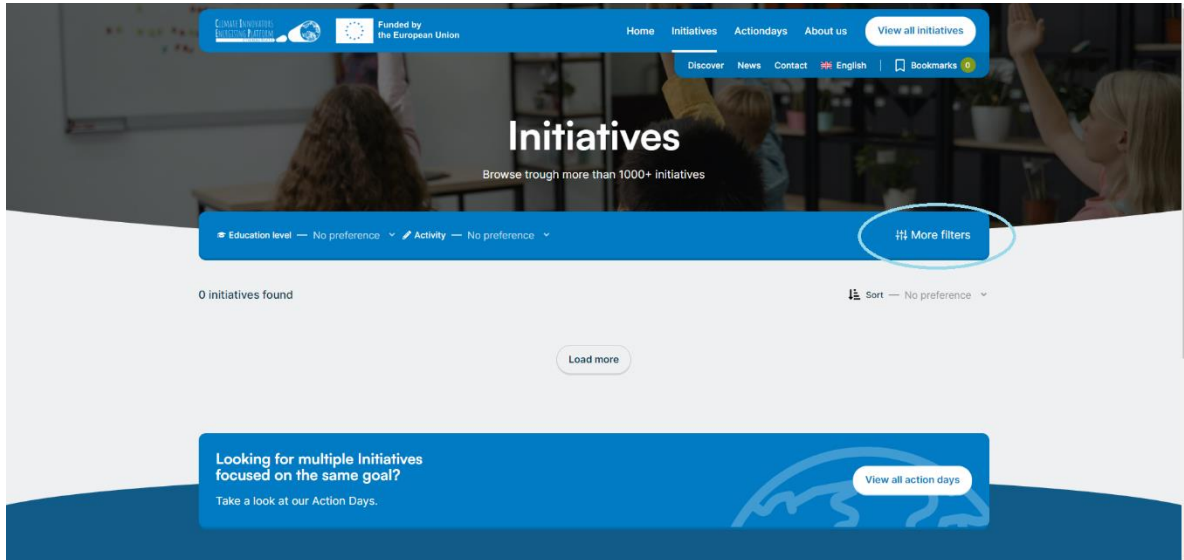
3) First you use the search function in the blue banner at the top of the page. Here you can filter based on "Education level" and "Activity".

4)  Inside the "Initiatives" page additional filters appear to be used through the button "More Filters".



5)  Filters like "Region", "SDG", or initiatives from other countries appear in this screen:

*Screenshot of each country.*

## What details are available for each initiative?

Each initiative includes the following information:

- Short explanation
- Extensive explanation
- Practical information:
  - Educational attainment
  - Duration
  - Cost
  - Goal: Which SDGs apply
  - Particularities: Certain details that should be mentioned

*Screenshot of each country*

## How to sign up for a new initiative?

You can sign up for an initiative by scrolling down the webpage of the initiative and providing the following data:

- Name
- E-mail address
- Organisation
- Phone number
- Message to clarify your question

Remember to click on "Save".

*Screenshot of each country*

# Bookmarks

## What is a bookmark?

A bookmark is a digital marker used to save and easily revisit your favourite initiatives. It allows you to quickly access your preferred content without the need to search again. You can also use the bookmarks to create specific selections of your favourite initiatives, and even share it with your colleagues.

## How do I add an initiative as a bookmark?

There are several ways to add an initiative as a bookmark:

1) Go to the overview with all initiatives and click on "bookmark" next to the button "read more". The button will now show a checked box.

*Screenshot of each country*

2) Click on "read more" button at a certain initiative and click on the button "bookmark" in the banner. Once you've succeeded, the button will show a checked box.
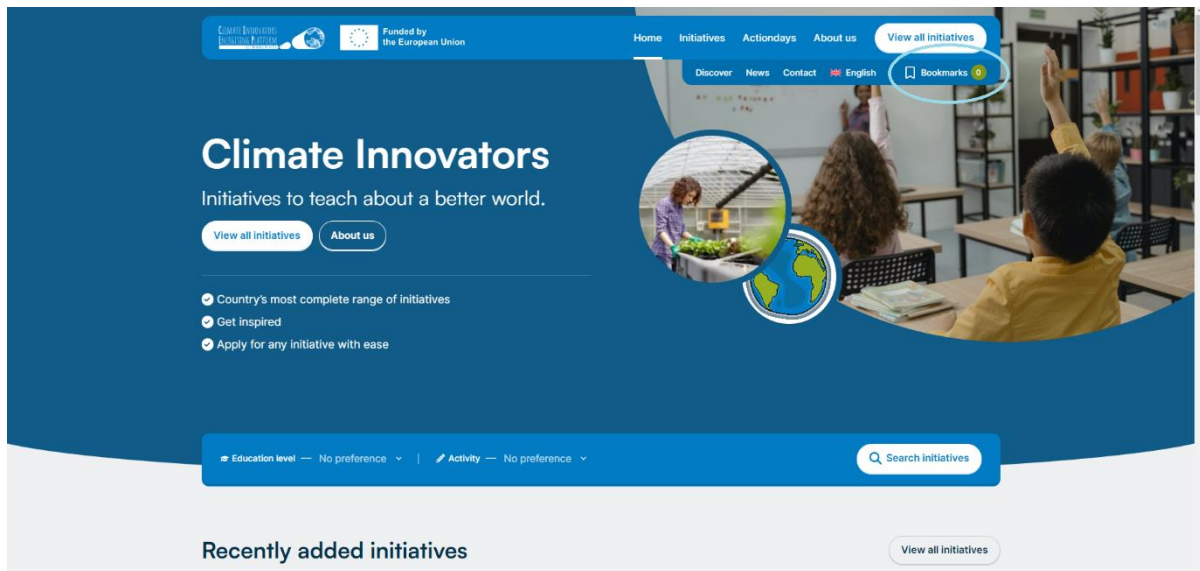
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3) At the right upper corner, you will find the button "bookmarks". Here all your bookmarks will be collected.
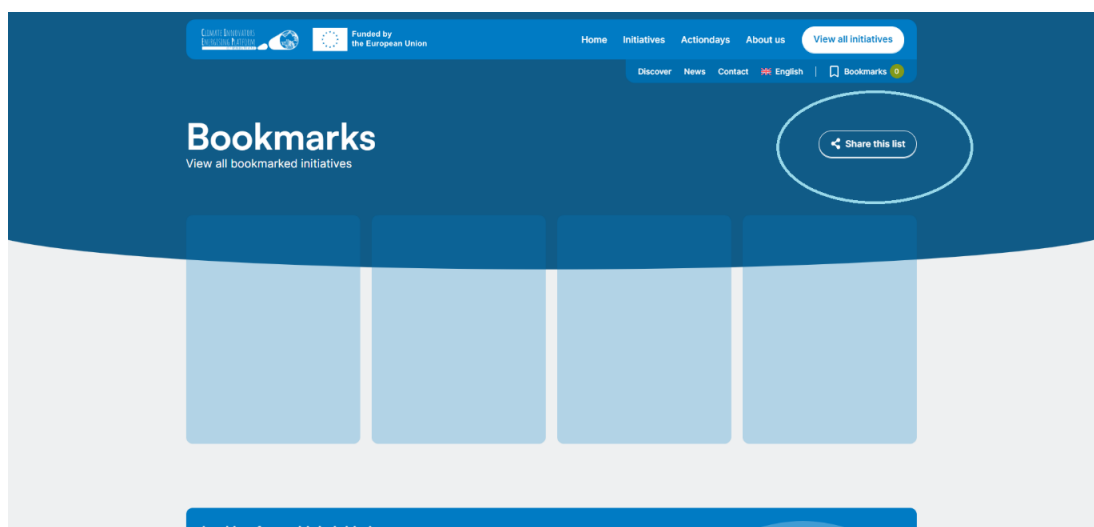
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## How do I share my bookmarks?

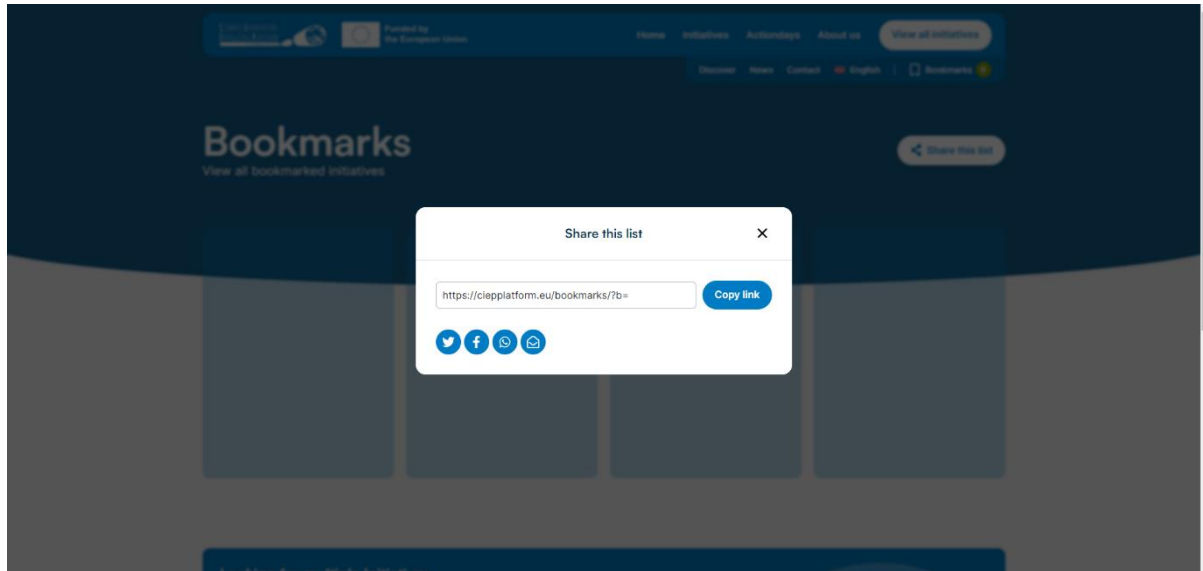You can easily share your favourite selection of bookmarks.

1) In the overview, go to the right upper corner and click on the button "Bookmarks".



2) Click again in the right upper corner on "share this list".
3) Please be aware that, since you didn't create an account, the bookmarks are not saved the next time that you visit the webpage. Would you like to save your selection and visit it again in the future? In that case, we recommend creating a bookmark list and forwarding your chosen items to your email address. This will enable you to easily share the information with colleagues or consult it the next time.

4) You can now easily copy the link to share with others, or you can also send it via Twitter, Facebook, WhatsApp or email.



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