## Teams from Austria, Italy and Greece are the winners of EU Datathon 2019

The 3rd edition of the EU Datathon culminated on 13 June 2019 with the final in Brussels, where 12 teams pitched their skills and ideas against each other to win 3 different challenges.

The challenge for the 12 finalists (selected from 99 entries across Europe) was to develop apps that offer new services or insights, using data made available by the EU institutions. The competition was organised by the EU’s Publications Office, in partnership with the Romanian Presidency of the EU Council.

The winning team in challenge 1 – ‘Innovative ideas through EU open data’ – was ‘The Smartfiles Network’, from Austria. This team won over the judges by making EU and national court rulings accessible from any PDF, helping people to understand the evolution and connectedness of case law.

The winning team in challenge 2 – ‘New insights into economics and finance’ – was ‘EconCartography: Economic Cartography for the European Union’, from Italy. This team provides intuitive and interactive visualisations to explore the complex landscape of the EU economy.

The winning team in challenge 3 – ‘Tackling climate change’ – was ‘Chloe Irrigation Systems’, from Greece. This team created a promising platform which monitors and optimises irrigation to reduce water waste and cost, while increasing crop yield.

The 3 winning teams were awarded € 15,000 each. The runners-up in each challenge won € 7,000 and the third placed teams € 3,000.

To read more about the winning teams and their apps: <https://publications.europa.eu/eudatathon>.

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* European Environment Agency
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