Preparations and participation to the 9th EfE Ministerial Conference, 5-7 of October Nicosia Cyprus

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TRANSFORMING PLAN-ET
The country’s favorable geographical position can attract a big number of participants and high-level participation.

Cyprus is a stepping stone to three continents:

- EUROPE
- ASIA
- AFRICA

Expected to attend more than 1000 participants at high-level from 78 countries:

56 Member States within the ECE region,
Countries MS in the UN bodies
Countries from the Mediterranean,
Middle East,
Asia
Who will be invited:

- Ministers of Education
- Ministers of Environment
- Public and private sector
- International organizations
- Regional Organizations
- Non-Goverment Institutions
- Business
- Academia

Government delegations, maximum, 8 persons, (Head of the delegations Ministers of Education and Environment)
Where the event will take place;

The Filoxenia Conference Centre is conveniently located, with easy access to the highway and central roads of Nicosia.

35 min from Larnaca Airport
40 min from Larnaca
50 min from Limassol
Main Hall
Auditoriums and other rooms
Venue for side-events:

1.8 Km from Filoxenia Conference Center

Transportation plan will develop to move the participants to various places.

Small shuttles
We chose Cyprus Institute for side-events:

It has a symbolism to the Conference since it is a hub for research and innovation on environmental and sustainability issues.

- It is a world-class, non-profit research and educational institution with a strong scientific and technological orientation.
- It is a regional Center of Excellence, addressing issues of regional interest but of global significance, with an emphasis on cross-disciplinary research and international collaborations especially on environment, and sustainability development.
- It’s a hub of excellence in Eastern Mediterranean and Middle East.
- High quality infrastructure.

https://www.youtube.com/user/cyprusinstitute/featured
Infrastructures

GOB:
Conference Room 1st floor: 40 people
Conference room 2nd floor: 30 people

Graduate School:
Lecture Room: 25 people
Amphitheatre: 150 people

NTL Building
NTL Events Room: 130 people

Annex
Mouskos Amphitheatre: 70-80 people

New Building
Amphitheatre 1: 150 people
Amphitheatre 2: 150 people (can split to 2 halls (capacity 75 people).
Auditoriums and other rooms
What will include the 9th EfE Minsiterial Conferences

Ministerial Plenaries

3rd High Level Meeting for Education and Environment Ministries

• Ministerial Declaration
• Ministerial Statement on ESD
• Chair’s Summary
• Statements, initiatives,
• Agreements, pledges by interested ministers and stakeholders on specific subjects and/or for specific subregions
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SIDE-EVENTS

40-50 side events on the three key themes

1. Greening the economy/sustainable Infrastructure
2. Sustainable tourism
3. Education for Sustainable Development (ESD)

Can organized by countries, organizations, networks

Policy tools, Regional strategies, action plans, Initiatives Guidelines, Best practices, and lessons learned
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Bilateral and trilaterial meetings
Organized by Countries Regional and International Organizations

- Discussions on themes of joint interest
- Networking-collaboration
- Launching of joint initiatives
- Agreements
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Excursions/tours (tangible and intangible Cyprus historical and environmental culture, traditions, meet the “Cyprus “Philoxenia”, gastronomy)
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Workshops

Interactive activities
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**Important notes:** Registrations will be submitted in UNECE Platform (indico). Bookings and accommodations will be done in the host county official website for the conference. Submissions of the side-events and bilateral meetings will be submitted electronically in host county official website for the conference. Any documents and materials that will be circulated in the conference by delegations and organizations is under their responsibility to be transferred but it is necessary to inform the latest 1st of September 2022 the secretariat of the conference to support them.
Some more interesting information for the 9th Ministerial Conference

- Countries that need VISA communicate with the secretariat to send them an invitation letter.
- Transportation with shuttles for all the participants will be offered.
- Official dinner by the President of the Republic of Cyprus will be offered to the presidential house for the Head of the delegations.
- Enviro-CINE.
- The conference will be paperless.
- The conference will be organized according to the principles of sustainability.
- Menu will be based exclusively on local rows.
- All the infrastructures in the place will be reused.
- Reduce the food waste.
- Donations to environmental and green organizations.
Accommodation

A list of hotels (5-4-3-2 stars) located in Nicosia, Larnaca and Limassol, with average daily rate from $350 to $100

High quality hotel premises and infrastructures

Shuttles will transfer participants from the hotels to the venue and back

Larnaka: 44 km from Nicosia
Limassol: 84 km from Nicosia
Countries are welcome to:

1. Actively participate in the Conference preparations – through their government representatives & focal points in:
   - The UNECE Committee on Environmental Policy (UNECE CEP)
   - The UNECE Steering Committee on Education for Sustainable Development (UNECE ESD SC)

2. Form national delegations (Ministerial level representation from Education, Environment and other sectors).

3. Organize side-events

4. Participate in bilateral meetings

5. Follow up the decisions through continuous participation in the EfE and ESD processes
Why is value the countries and the organizations to Participate at the 9th Ministerial EfE

1. The biggest conference in the region (every 5 years)
2. Important regional policies 2030 on the 3 key strands will be adopted
3. Learn from each other
4. Collaboration, coordination and networking
5. Launching of important regional initiatives
6. Critical the active participation of Education Ministers (the first time that ESD is a key strand in this conference—the new UNECE ESD Strategy 2021-2030 implementation will be adapted)
7. Unique opportunity for interdepartmental and inter-ministerial collaboration . . . .

Last but not least

1. First time is organized in the Mediterranean
2. The first high level meeting after Covid-19 that organized in such a big scale physically
3. Flavor of Cyprus “Philoxenia”
4. Meet the cultural and environmental culture of island
5. Gastronomy
6. Enjoy the sun and sea
YOU CAN BE THE BEST AMBASSADORS FOR COMMUNICATING AND SPREAD THE MESSAGE OF THE 9th MINISTERIAL MEETING TO YOUR COUNTRIES

SAVE THE DATE
5-7 OF OCTOBER 2022, NICOSIA-CYPRUS

INFORM ACCORDINGLY YOUR GOVERMENTS FOR APPOINTING THE NATIONAL DELEGATIONS (representation from various sectors and fields)

ACTIVE PARTICIPATION OF THE MINISTERS OF EDUCATION AND ENVIRONMENT

COUNTRIES THAT DIDN’T APPOINT YET A NATIONAL FOCAL POINT AT THE UNECE ESD SC PLEASE INFORM YOUR GOVERMENTS TO DO IT THE SOONEST (UNECE ESD SC MEETING 30-31 MAY 2022)
WE ARE LOOKING FORWARD TO WELCOMING YOU IN CYPRUS

FOR THE HOPE
FOR THE PEACE
FOR THE PLANET
FOR OUR SOCIETIES
FOR THE COLLABORATION

WE ARE PART OF THE PROBLEM AND PART OF THE SOLUTION
SUSTAINABILITY OF THE PLANET AND OUR SUSTAINABILITY IS ON OUR HANDS
Questions

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