







6 Village Routes 'Discover the Real Cyprus' **A Self-Drive Tour to Create Your Own Adventure**

We promote culture & producers in the marginalized villages of Cyprus.



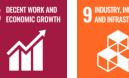
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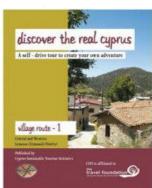


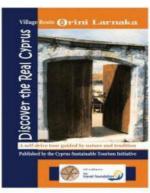


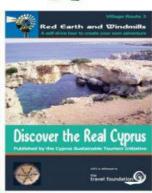




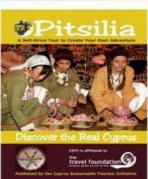
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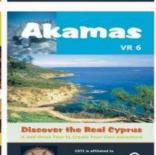


















The 1st AGM Conference was organized at the Oleastro Olive Park in the marginalized village of Anogyra. The event promoted the local producers that are included in the Village Routes. The event started with a tour of the Park's exhibits & the producers' stalls. The guests enjoyed a buffet dinner & were entertained by a dance group & music. The Oleastro Olive Park promotes the 60,000 years old civilization of the olive tree.

































Mountain Magic

AGM Conference was organized at the Cultural Center in the marginalized village of The Village Route Foini. titled 'Troodos - Green Heart of Cyprus' was presented. A tour of the village as well as a traditional produce fair were held. A traditional dinner was served at a local tavern.











































The AGM Conference was organized in the marginalized village of Simou.

The Keynote Talk was 'Climate Changes & the Role of the Tourism Industry, Case Study Cyprus'.

The 6th Village Route was presented & there was an Exhibition of Local Producers. Dinner with live music at a traditional tavern marked the end of the event.



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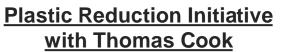












The creation of the "Thinker" of Rodin with 1100 plastic water bottles which was displayed at the **WTM** in November 2011 conveying the strong message of think before using/buying a plastic water bottle.

1100 plastic bottles were saved at a hotel in Paphos per day introducing water stations.























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Sustainability on the **Crossroads of Present & Future**

The AGM Conference was organized in marginalized village the Skarinou, a famous stop for travelers & merchants of the past. CSTI strongly supports marginalized villages & less travelled areas, so different rural locations are chosen every year. The Producers fair opened before the event to give the guests the chance to experience products from the nearby villages. A Traditional Cypriot Dinner followed the event.



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The AGM Conference was organized marginalized village of the Droushia. A Producers Fair, an **Exhibition** Local **Arts** & Handicrafts and a Photo Exhibition with local village life were held in the forefront of the conference. A traditional dinner followed the event.





















































Breakfast The Cyprus programme members support the local produce from local farms, orchards & small-scale producers. Hence, the logo is a signature for high quality & sustainability & also amazing taste!

The project was developed under the fruitful 5-year Cyprus **Destination** Partnership (CDP) between the Travel Foundation, CTO (now the Deputy Ministry of Tourism) & CSTI.

















































Hermes hosted the artwork "Zenon of Kitium" at the Arrivals level of the airport. The artwork was inspired and created by the students of Frenaros Gymnasium using recyclable bits of wood and was accommodated at the airport from the 17th of June 2014 until 31st of October 2014. The artwork was unveiled by the Chairman of CSTI & Hermes' CEO.

















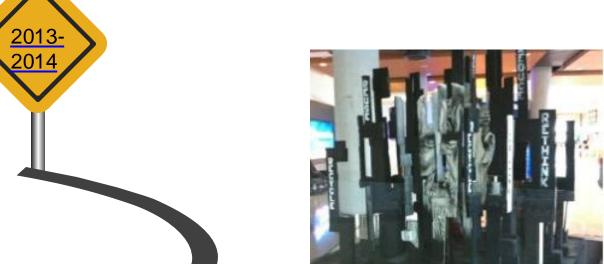


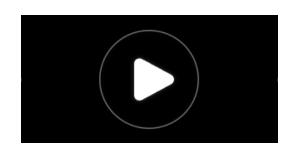




















The Role of Education in the **Promotion of Sustainable Tourism**

The AGM Conference was organized at the Famagusta Gate, the most splendid gate of the Venetian Walls surrounding old Nicosia. The Layout of the Venue took the Reception with Traditional Delights & the Producers Fair to a New Level! On the 2nd day a clean-up of the riverbed, a tree planting & a cultural tour of Old Nicosia took place with a traditional lunch











at a local taverna.





























AGM Conference The was organized in the marginalized village of Sotira with a Reception with traditional delights and a Producers Fair at the end of the event giving many local producers the opportunity to sell their handmade products.











































CSTI's 10 Years Celebration Sustainability is Culture

The AGM Conference was organized in downtown Nicosia within the walls. The Commandaria **Orchestra** performed at the beginning of the conference and the celebration was wrapped up with a reception with traditional delights and a Producers Fair.



8 DECENT WORK AND ECONOMIC GROWTH



































Sustainable Tourism for the Present and the Future

The AGM Conference was organized in Pafos. The Traditional Music Ensemble by the Music School of Pafos performed the opening act and even got the international audience dancing!

The conference ended on a high as well with a reception note with traditional delights and a Producers Fair.



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The AGM Conference was organized in Limassol. Traditionally, the Music Programme got the conference off to a great start with a singer accompanied by a pianist.

The conference ended with a reception traditional with delights and a Producers Fair.

















































AGM Conference The was organized in the village of Agros with a music programme as an introduction and concluded with **Reception with Traditional** Delights and a Producers Fair.

On the 2nd day there was a tree planting as well as a train ride to visit local producers.







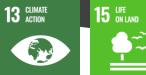




























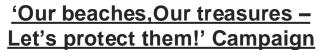












An online photography competition organized during Covid.

We mobilized mainly the young population of Cyprus to take care of our beaches and keep them clean.





































We created an animation video for the project "Keep our Sand and Sea Plastic Free" both Greek and English to make both locals and tourists aware about protecting our beaches and our seas.



















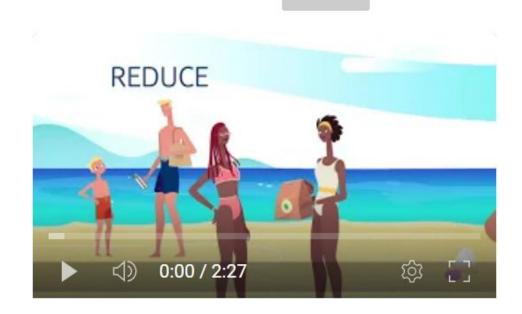
























♦ SUSTAINABLE FUTURE ♦

"in every crisis there is an opportunity"

CSTI's 15 Years Celebration 1st Online International Conference

Even the online conference had its cultural aspect with a piano musician, a photo competition and the showing of our hot off the press Keep our Sand and **Sea Plastic Free Project Animation.**



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The CALYPSO artwork is a turtle made from waste to raise awarenes s at Ayia Triada Beach.

According to Greek Mythology, 'CALYPSO' was the Daughter of the ocean, thus the artwork highlights the importance of protecting our oceans, mainly from plastic waste that is the cause of death of thousands of marine creatures every year.



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Photo exhibition on the theme of 'Plastic Pollution - another threat to the beauty of our sand and sea & key contributor to environment degradation' in cooperation with the **British** High Commission connection with COP26 which is touring the island.















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Plastic Waste Free Islands (PWFI) **Project Final Event**

The clear message was sent that urgent & collective action is neede d to tackle plastic pollution in the Medi terranean.

photo We had and art exhibitions with pieces of art made of waste from a political refugee. Also, the Cultural Performance by the Tat-**Tnabar** with Group was musical instruments recycled



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'NEFELI' aims to raise awareness regarding the burning issue of plastic pollution in our seas.

According to Greek Mythology, "NEFELI" was an Oceanid (a cloud nymph) & the goddess of hospitality. "NEFELI" hosts us at the beach & seeks to highlight the importance of protecting our oceans, mainly from plastic waste that is the cause of death of thousands of marine creatures every year.





























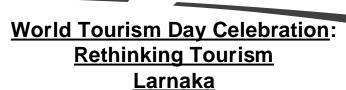












The festive event was organized by CSTI with the support of the Larnaka Tourism Board & Larnaka Municipality under the auspices of the Deputy Ministry of Tourism. We are grateful to all that contributed to the success of the event & made us rethink tourism & the tourism product of our country. Producers and artists exhibited their products promoting sustainable tourism.



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Sustainable Tourism: A Taste of the Future **Nicosia**

The Colorful Side Event of the 9th Europe **Environment** for **Ministerial** Conference: Transforming Planet was coorganized by the UN **Environment Programme and CSTI.**

An Amazing Interactive event that gave the participants a positive taste from the Future of Sustainable Tourism - with plenty of culture & creativity.

























































Christmas Wonder Paralimni

CSTI with the 'Keep our Sand and Sea Plastic Free, Destination Zero Plastic Waste in Cyprus' Project participated in the Christmas Wonder Paralimni event to say goodbye to plastic bottles and turn them into Christmas decorations













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3rd Plastic Free Beach Yiannades Beach, Larnaka

The Awareness Raising Artwork with Flamingoes was created by students of the Gymnasio Athienou u nder the guidance of the art teacher Vangelis Evangelou with 300 plastic bottles.

The Larnaka salt lake is well known for its flamingos giving inspiration to the artists.



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4th Plastic Free Beach Panagies Beach, Limassol

The Awareness Raising Artwork in the form of a Bench is made of 34 kg of plastic waste.

The bench has indigenous plants at each end and the set would not without the 2 complete matching ashtrays made with 12kg of plastic waste each for smokers to park their cigarette butts in.













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According to Greek Mythology Aris was the god of war. we are proud Aris introduce our mascot for our fight against plastic pollution in our seas.





CSTI & the "Keep our Sand And Sea Plastic Free" Project at Ammos Beach Bar, Larnaca.

Yet another Successful Summer Party with music & competitions... with a purpose to inform & raise public awareness about plastic pollution of our seas.

An Upcycling Workshop was held for the youngsters, and they were amazed to see the whole process of how plastic bottle caps are used to make coasters!



















































5th Plastic Free Beach **Armonia Beach, Limassol**

'Harmony' is a beautiful fish artwork created by Petrou & Pavlou high school students with their art teacher Manolis Papa using 300 plastic caps and it represents the critical problem of plastic pollution. The artists transformed the waste which would otherwise end up in a landfill or in the sea, into a beautiful artwork embracing the power of Art in creating a better sustainable future.













































HOPE is ready for the 1st Plastic Free Beach in Paphos!

'Hope' the Seal Mural depicts a Monachus Monachus Mediterranean Monk Seal. 'HOPE' was assembled by the students of The International School of Paphos (ISOP) & is made with 300 plastic bottles retrieved during the Eco Club Beach Clean-ups & painted by their humanities Teacher. 'HOPE' wants only plastic free sands & seas, & its purpose is to highlight that plastic pollution is a major source of degradation of the oceans & sea life.







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Pancyprian Conference:

Is Climate Change a threat to Tourism?

Filoxenia Conference Center, Nicosia

Our Photo Exhibition was impressively displayed on both sides of the conference hall highlighting the Beauty, the Problems & the Solutions, which are in our hands!

We are Very Proud of our No Waste Conference organized with the Deputy Ministry of Tourism!

We are Hoping it will inspire others to follow suit!



















































'Plastic Free Beach' Animation

We created an animation video in both Greek and English for the Plastic Free Beach Concept which is part of the "Keep our Sand and Sea Plastic Free, Destination Zero Plastic Waste" project. We are grateful to the Cyprus Environment Foundation (CEF) and the Deputy Ministry of Tourism for sponsoring this animation to raise awareness further.



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Re-Merry Christmas The Other Market

Poseidonia Beach Hotel, Limassol

CSTI was honored to contribute to our Member Poseidonia Beach Hotel's Innovative Event with both a stand & a presentation with the topic 'Sustainable Tourism makes good Business Sense'. At CSTI's stand we had an Xmas Upcycling Workshop making Xmas decorations with the youngsters at the event.















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6 CLEAN WATER AND SANITATION

























6th Plastic Free Beach Ayia Thekla Beach, Sotira

This was the 1st Plastic Free Beach launched at Christmas time! On that occasion a colorful event in the Christmas spirit was held at the beach with lots of surprises for young and old alike with contests, prizes, beach cleaning, Christmas craft creation from recyclable materials, winter swimming & music! Our New Toy Library was also introduced.



















































The Way Forward

We're also exploring innovative approaches like gamification to effectively communicate the significance of accomplishing the United Nations' 17 Sustainable Development Goals to younger generations.

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Engaging younger generations in sustainable tourism and the UN 17 Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) requires creativity and innovation in messaging.





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Here are some innovative ways to convey these messages:

- Interactive Mobile Apps: Develop mobile apps that gamify sustainable tourism practices and educate users about the SDGs. Include challenges, quizzes, and rewards to make learning fun and engaging.
- Augmented Reality (AR) Experiences: Create AR experiences
 that overlay information about sustainable tourism and the SDGs
 onto real-world locations. Users can explore destinations while
 learning about their environmental and social impact.
- Virtual Reality (VR) Tours: Develop VR tours of eco-friendly destinations and projects aligned with the SDGs. Users can immerse themselves in these virtual experiences to understand the importance of sustainable tourism firsthand.
- Social Media Campaigns: Launch social media campaigns using platforms like TikTok, Instagram, and Snapchat to raise awareness about sustainable tourism practices. Use catchy hashtags, challenges, and user-generated content to reach a younger audience.
- Youth Workshops and Hackathons: Organize workshops and hackathons where young people can brainstorm and develop innovative solutions for sustainable tourism challenges. Encourage collaboration and provide mentorship from industry experts.



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- Educational Webinars and Podcasts: Host webinars and podcasts featuring experts in sustainable tourism and the SDGs. Cover topics such as responsible travel tips, community engagement, and conservation efforts.
- Art and Creative Projects: Encourage young artists, filmmakers, and musicians to create works that promote sustainable tourism and the SDGs. Host exhibitions, film screenings, and concerts to showcase their creations and spark conversations.
- School Curriculum Integration: Work with educators to integrate lessons on sustainable tourism and the SDGs into school curricula. Develop age-appropriate materials, activities, and projects to engage students in meaningful learning experiences.
- Youth Ambassador Programs: Recruit youth ambassadors to represent sustainable tourism and the SDGs in their communities. Empower them to organize events, lead initiatives, and inspire their peers to take action.
- Collaborations with Influencers: Partner with influencers who
 have a strong following among younger demographics to promote
 sustainable tourism practices and the SDGs. Encourage them to
 share personal stories, tips, and recommendations with their
 audience.

By employing these innovative approaches, you can effectively convey messages about sustainable tourism and the UN 17 SDGs to younger generations, inspiring them to become active contributors to a more sustainable future.









We look forward to continuing our journey towards a More

Sustainable

Future Together?

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