



**TRANSFORMING  
PLANET**

The 9th Environment for Europe  
Ministerial Conference



**UNECE**

**Preparations and participation  
to the 9<sup>th</sup> 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-Governmental Institutions**
- **Business**
- **Academia**

**Government delegations, maximum, 8 persons, (Head of the delegations Ministers of Education and Environment)**

## Where the event will take place;



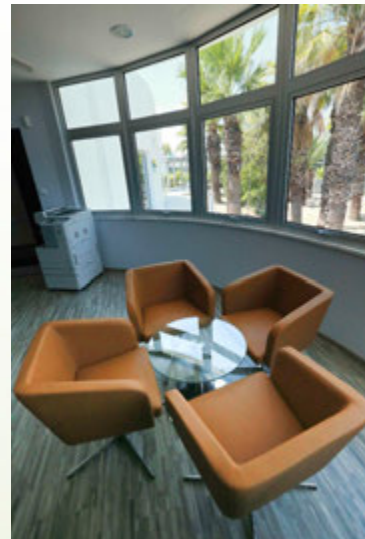
**The Filoxenia Conference Centre is conveniently located, with easy access to the highway and central roads of Nicosia.**

**35 min from Larnaca Airport  
40 min from Larnaca  
50 min from Limassol**

# Main Hall



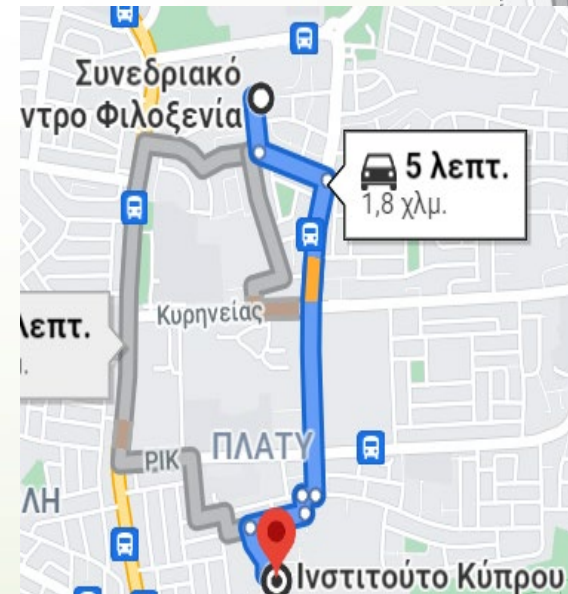
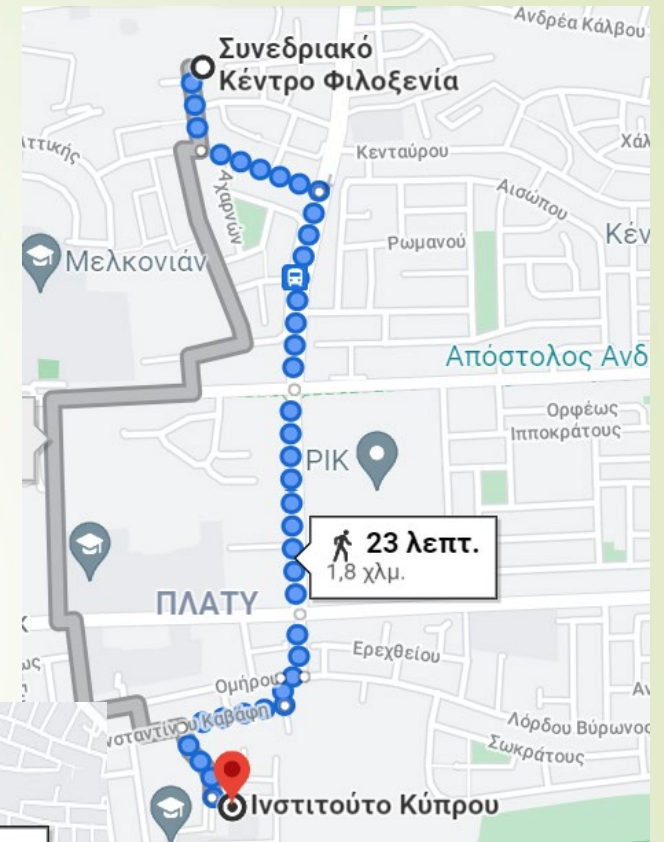
# Auditoriums and other rooms



## 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.



<https://www.youtube.com/user/cyprusinstitute/featured>

- 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.

# Infrastructures



## GOB:

Conference Room 1<sup>st</sup> floor: 40 people

Conference room 2<sup>nd</sup> 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 9<sup>th</sup> EfE Minsiterial Conferences

## Ministerial Plenaries

### 3<sup>rd</sup> 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 trilateral meetings**

**Organized by Countries  
Regional and International  
Organizations**

- **Discussions on themes of joint interest**
- **Networking-collaboration**
- **Launching of joint initiatives**
- **Agreements**

# What will include the 9<sup>th</sup> EfE Minsiterial Conference

Excursions/tours (tangible and intangible Cyprus historical and environmental culture, traditions, meet the “Cyprus “Philoxenia”, gastronomy)



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## Workshops



## Interactive activities





# Important dates

<b>Invitation letters from the Ministers</b>	<b>Latest first week of May 2022</b>
<b>Registrations</b>	<b>30 June 2022</b>
<b>Side event submissions</b>	<b>30 of June 2022</b>
<b>Organization of bilateral meetings</b>	<b>30 June 2022</b>
<b>Mass Media</b>	<b>31 July 2022</b>
<b>CONFERENCE</b>	<b>5-7 of October</b>

**Important notes: Registrations will submitted in UNECE Platform (indico)**

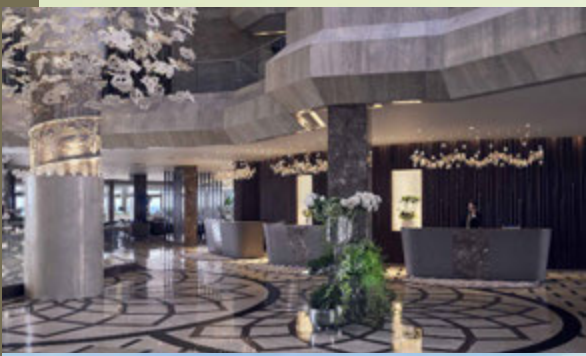
**Bookings and accommodations will be done in the host county official website for the conference**

**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 its necessary to inform the latest 1<sup>st</sup> of September 2022 the secretariat of the conference to support them.**

# Some more interesting information for the 9<sup>th</sup> Ministerial Conference

- Countries that need VISA communicate with the secretariat to sent them invitation letter.
- Transportation with shuttles for all the participants will offered.
- Official dinner by the President of the Republic of Cyprus will 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 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:**
  - **o The UNECE Committee on Environmental Policy (UNECE CEP)**
  - **o 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 9<sup>th</sup> 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 9<sup>th</sup> MINISTERIAL MEETING TO YOUR  
COUNTRIES**

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

**INFORM ACCORDINGLY YOUR GOVERNMENTS 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 GOVERNMENTS TO DO IT THE  
SOONEST (UNECE ESD SC MEETING 30-31 MAY 2022)**



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**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**



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# Questions

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