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1. About the Replication Plan

The current document consists the ‘Replication Plan’, deliverable of the project entitled ‘Troodos National Forest Park: Promoting natural values and Ecosystem Services’ (Acronym: iLIFE-TROODOS; LIFE16 GIE/CY/000709) which was implemented within the framework of LIFE program of the European Union (EU).

The Replication Plan seeks to maximise the effort on the replicability and transferability of the project’s results to a wider audience within and outside Cyprus, as well as beyond the project’s lifetime. For this purpose, the Plan includes the main techniques employed and the timeframe (after the end of the project) for the dissemination of the project’s results in such a way, to ensure the replicability and transferability to other EU countries/ regions. Furthermore, it defines the targeted stakeholders (at international and national level) and the targeted audiences (at national level) in which the project needs to focus in each case.

2. The iLIFE-TROODOS project

2.1 Aim and objectives of the project

The iLIFE-TROODOS project started on the 2nd October 2017 and completed on the 30th September 2020. The 60% of its total eligible budget was co-funded by EU, within the framework of LIFE program. The remaining 40% was contributed by the following project partners:

- Department of Forests (DF) - Ministry of Agriculture, Rural Development and Environment (Coordinating Beneficiary)
- Department of Environment (DE) - Ministry of Agriculture, Rural Development and Environment
- Nature Conservation Unit - Frederick University (FU)
- Contact Advertising Agency Ltd (CONTACT)

The primary aim of the project was to increase public awareness on the natural values of Troodos National Forest Park (TNFP) for which it was included in the Natura 2000 network (CY5000004) and the ecosystem services it provides.

The specific objectives of the project were to:

- Promote public awareness of the targeted audience, towards the need for the protection of Natura 2000 network.
- Increase awareness on natural values for which the TNFP was included in the Natura 2000 network.
- Change negative attitudes of Cyprus inhabitants, regarding Natura 2000 network and ecosystem services, using various means (rural workshops, awareness/ media campaign, and dissemination material).

- Spread knowledge about the natural values and ecosystem services provided by Natura 2000 network to professional target groups (policy implementers).
- Create and provide toolsets (Mobile Apps, guide, documentary, etc.) regarding the Natura 2000 network, the conservation of natural values and the provision of ecosystem services in order to be forwarded to the public and be used more widely in a national and international context.

2.2 Summary of the outcomes by the project’s implementation

In order to measure the increase on awareness and perception change towards the project’s goals, achieved through the core actions, three telephone surveys, three interviews and an online survey were implemented as follows: i) initial step, aiming to identify the existing knowledge and public awareness according to the project’s goal, ii) mid-process, for assessing the effectiveness of the awareness-raising activities, iii) final-process for evaluating the effectiveness of the awareness-raising activities in reaching the expected project’s goals.

In general, the iLIFE-TROODOS project awareness campaign was very satisfactory achieving an increase in the level of awareness on most of the target groups. The results of Table 1 derive from the processing of the three telephone surveys data and group interviews. As expected, with the implementation of all the bursts of the project, even better results were achieved and a greater impact on the public, compared to the actions implemented in the three different time stages of the project. Therefore, the overall impact of the project on the target groups is considered very satisfactory and the initial objectives of the project were achieved, which are presented in detail in Table 1.

Table 1. Evaluation of the iLIFE-TROODOS awareness campaign.

S/N	Objective	Expected results	Final Evaluation
1.	Promote public awareness of the targeted audience, towards the need for the protection of Natura 2000 network.	Increase awareness of the inhabitants of Cyprus by 50%, children by 40% and youth by 50%.	Increase awareness of the inhabitants of Cyprus by 57%, the youth by 60% and of the children by 50%.
2.	Increase awareness on natural values for which the Troodos National Forest Park was included in the Natura 2000 Network.	Increase awareness of visitors/ tourists by 20%.	Increase awareness of visitors/ tourists by 60%.
3.	Change negative attitudes of Cyprus inhabitants, regarding	Increase awareness and change perception of the inhabitants of	Increase awareness of the inhabitants of

	Natura 2000 network and ecosystem services, using various means	Cyprus by 50%, local people and local authorities by 80%.	Cyprus by 57% and the local communities and local authorities by 70%.
4.	Spread knowledge about the natural values and ecosystem services provided by Natura 2000 network to professional target groups	Awareness raising and capacity building of policy makers by 40%.	The increase in awareness and build capacity for policy implementers will only become apparent after a few years.
5.	Create and provide toolsets regarding the Natura 2000 network, the conservation of natural values and the provision of ecosystem services in order to be forwarded to the public and be used more widely in a national and international context	Increase awareness of visitors/ tourists by 20% and people with disabilities by 25%.	Increase awareness of visitors/ tourists by 60%. Raising awareness on the people with disabilities was not possible (Their association did not respond to the call for participation in the Stakeholders meetings).

3. Geographic areas for replication

The project's target geographic area was the TNFP, for which its natural values and ecosystem services were promoted. However, similar projects could be applied in other geographic areas/ regions in Cyprus and Greece with similar physical characteristics or human impact characteristics. It is noted that the project's results may need to be adapted to the local needs and/ or environment in order to be applicable and more functional and have a higher impact (case by case scenario).

Relevant regions for transferring the project's results are the Greek islands of Crete and Rhodes, as well as other islands of Greece. However, the project's techniques can also be implemented in other areas with similar characteristics such as, coastal regions of Greece, Spain, Italy and France (see Table 2).

Table 2. Geographic areas for replication.

Country	Area
Cyprus	1. Cavo Greco National Forest Park 2. Akamas National Forest Park 3. Machairas National Forest Park
Greece	1. Crete island 2. Rhodes island
Spain	1. Ibiza island 2. Majorca island 3. Minorca island
Italy	1. Sardinia island 2. Sicily island
France	1. Corsica island

4. Main techniques employed

In order to achieve the primary aim of the project and its specific objectives several activities have been carried out. The ultimate goal was to change the perception and behavior of the public towards the importance of the Natura 2000 protected sites. These actions took the form of an awareness campaign focusing on a high value (in terms of biodiversity richness and services provided to the visitors) Natura 2000 site, like the TNFP, and involved production and broadcasting of TV spots, Radio spots, and animated cartoon spots. It also included the production of press adverts, magazine adverts, press releases, leaflets and outdoor advertising. Moreover, the action included advertising on Google display network, web banners in main portals in Cyprus and had a continued presence on social networks.

5. Timeframe

Activities for raising awareness must always be planned in a detailed timeframe depending on the targeted audience. For example, activities that address to tourists must be planned during the tourist season, whilst for activities addressing TV viewers and radio listeners must be broadcasted at prime-time period.

A detailed Communication Plan must be elaborated at the beginning of every awareness raising project by an expert that will identify the tools, target audience, key messages to be spread and results to be achieved. The Plan shall take a long-term view and ensure that the program runs each activity for sufficient time in order to achieve the maximum wanted result.

The key elements that must be considered for the plan are listed below:

- **Targeting**

A detailed analysis of the profile of each of the targeted audiences must be elaborated to ensure that the choice of messages to be communicated is precise and the media chosen to transfer the messages will have maximum impact.
- **Positioning**

The key feature/ benefit that the project will stand for, in the targeted audiences, must be defined (e.g. a project that ensures the environment's protection). For this part, the objectives of the project and the profile of the targeted audiences must be taken into consideration.
- **Objectives of the plan**

The objectives of the plan should be derived from the general objectives set for the purpose of the project and linked to the final outcome expected of the communication with each of the targeted audiences (e.g. raise awareness about the importance of the Natura 2000 network among residents of such areas, create positive attitudes among policy implementers to promote the ecosystem services provided by Natura 2000 network etc.).
- **Selection of communication tools**

An outline of how resources should be allocated among various communication tools (e.g. advertising, public relations, etc.) must be prepared based on the decisions of the main actions.
- **Key messages for the targeted groups**

The specific messages to be communicated to each target group and the message execution styles to be used should be finalized based on the profile of each one of the audiences. Messages must be adopted according to the audience at hand (i.e. messages directed at children will be simplified as opposed to messages directed at older people).
- **Media employed for the implementation of the objectives**

This part should include the selection of the specific media (i.e. television, radio, newspapers, billboards, etc.) and means (i.e. specific programs and publications) to be used for each audience to ensure greater impact for the campaign.
- **Timeframe and media timing**

This section must include a detailed timeframe of the project's communication strategy. It should also include media timing in terms of communication patterns (i.e. when and where each of the communication elements will be placed on the various media). Decisions regarding the timing for the dissemination of other communication materials (e.g. newsletters, articles, etc.) will also be established.
- **Methodology for assessing success of communication plan and reassessment**

This step must include the establishment of an evaluation method of the communication campaign in terms of awareness and impact on target audiences' behavior.

The plan will highly depend on the synergistic effect that the combination of multiple communication methods and tools will yield. The implementation of the various steps of the plan will allow for the successful implementation of the awareness campaign and the maximization of the project's overall communication momentum.

6. Target audience and stakeholders

The above-mentioned methods/ techniques can be directed to a variety of possible audiences and stakeholders. The identification and set of target audiences and stakeholders in projects for communication, dissemination and awareness raising is very crucial. Since the audiences/ stakeholders differ per country and region, these are described in a general format, so that whoever wishes to replicate the project can identify his/ hers targeted groups.

The identified targeted audiences and stakeholders to whom the methods/ techniques could be directed per proposed country are (the contact details of each partner can be found in Table 3):

- Targeted audiences

Local authorities, local people, policy implementers, representatives of the tourism industry sector, visitors/ tourists, children (ages 5-12), youth (ages 12-18), inhabitants (ages 19-65), people with disabilities

- Targeted stakeholders

Cyprus

Department of Forests, Department of Environment, Troodos Development Company, Troodos Tourism Development and Promotion Company, Game and Fauna Service, Cyprus Association of Professional Foresters, Cyprus Forest Association, Federation of Environmental Organizations of Cyprus, Cyprus Confederation of Organization of the Disabled, Deputy Ministry of Tourism, Cyprus Conservation Foundation Terra Cypria, BirdLife Cyprus, Friends of the Earth Cyprus.

Greece

Hellenic Society for the Protection of Nature (HSPN), Hellenic Ornithological Society (HOS)-BirdLife Partner, ARCTUROS Foundation, Archipelagos-Institute of Marine Conservation, CALLISTO-Environmental Organization for Wildlife and Nature, WWF Greece, ELLINIKI ETAIRIA-Society for the Environment and Cultural Heritage, The Goulandris Natural History Museum/ Greek Biotope Wetland Centre, Mediterranean Association to Save the Sea Turtles (MEDASSET), Hellenic Society for the Study and Protection of the Monk Seal (MOM), Eco Crete (various members), Greek National Tourism Organization.

Spain

Biodiversity Foundation, Ecologists in action, Spanish Society of Ornithology (SEO/ Birdlife), Association for the Conservation of Natural Ecosystems, Foundation for Nature and Man, WWF Spain.

Italy

Italian National Institute for Environmental Protection and Research (ISPRA), Legambiente, Italian Bird Protection League (LIPU)-BirdLife Partner, WWF Italy, Friends of the Earth Italy.

France

National Forests Office, French Agency for Biodiversity, Friends of the Earth France, Ligue pour la Protection des Oiseaux-BirdLife Partner, WWF France, France Nature Environnement (EEB) (various members).

Table 3. Stakeholder’s contact details for each geographic area.

Country	Area	Stakeholders	Contact
Cyprus	1. Cavo Greco National Forest Park 2. Akamas National Forest Park 3. Machairas National Forest Park	1. Department of Forests 2. Department of Environment 3. Troodos Development Company 4. Game and Fauna Service 5. Cyprus Association of Professional Foresters 6. Cyprus Forest Association 7. Federation of Environmental Organizations of Cyprus 8. Cyprus Confederation of Organization of the Disabled 9. Deputy Ministry of Tourism 10. Cyprus Conservation Foundation Terra Cypria 11. BirdLife Cyprus 12. Friends of the Earth Cyprus	1. director@fd.moa.gov.cy 2. director@environment.moa.gov.cy 3. p.hadzikostas@anetroodos.com 4. wildlife.thira@cytanet.com.cy 5. info.capf@gmail.com 6. info@cyprusforestassociation.eu 7. info@oikologiafeeo.org 8. ccod-kysoa@cytanet.com.cy 9. cytour@visitcyprus.com 10. info@terracypria.org 11. birdlifecyprus@birdlifecyprus.org.cy 12. office@foecyprus.org
Greece	1. Crete island 2. Rhodes island	1. Hellenic Society for the Protection of Nature (HSPN) 2. Hellenic Ornithological Society (HOS)- BirdLife Partner 3. ARCTUROS Foundation 4. Archipelagos - Institute of Marine Conservation 5. CALLISTO - Environmental Organization for Wildlife and Nature 6. WWF Greece 7. ELLINIKI ETAIRIA - Society for the Environment and Cultural Heritage 8. The Goulandris Natural History Museum / Greek Biotope Wetland Centre	1. info@eepf.gr 2. info@ornithologiki.gr 3. arcturos@arcturos.gr 4. info@archipelago.gr 5. info@callisto.gr 6. n.mantzaris@wwf.gr 7. elet@ellinikietairia.gr 8. ekby@ekby.gr

		9. Mediterranean Association to Save the Sea Turtles (MEDASSET) 10. Hellenic Society for the Study and Protection of the Monk Seal (MOM) 11. Eco Crete (various members) 12. Greek National Tourism Organization	9. medasset@medasset.org 10. info@mom.gr 11. info@ecocrete.gr 12. info@visitgreece.gr
Spain	1. Ibiza island 2. Majorca island 3. Minorca island	1. Biodiversity Foundation 2. Ecologists in action 3. Spanish Society of Ornithology (SEO/ Birdlife) 4. Association for the Conservation of Natural Ecosystems 5. Foundation for Nature and Man 6. WWF Spain	1. biodiversidad@fundacion-biodiversidad.es 2. C/Marqués de Leganés, 12, 28004 Madrid, Spain 3. socios@seo.org 4. info@assoc-cen.org 5. fundacion@fnyh.org 6. info@wwf.es
Italy	1. Sardinia island 2. Sicily island	1. Italian National Institute for Environmental Protection and Research (ISPRA) 2. Legambiente 3. Italian Bird Protection League (LIPU) - BirdLife Partner 4. WWF Italy 5. Friends of the Earth Italy	1. Via Vitaliano Brancati 48-00144 ROMA 2. legambiente@legambiente.it 3. info@lipu.it 4. info@wwf.it 5. segreteria@amicidellaterra.it
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7. Funding sources

Funding sources are important for the replication activities in order to be implemented. Possible funding sources identified include:

- EU-funded projects
 1. EU LIFE program, Environmental governance and information
<https://life.lifevideos.eu/environment/life/funding/news.htm>
 2. UNEP Environment Fund
<https://www.unenvironment.org/>
 3. European Broadcasting Union
<https://www.ebu.ch/home>
 4. MEDIA sub-program of Creative Europe
<https://ec.europa.eu/digital-single-market/en/media-sub-programme-creative-europe>
- Bilateral collaborations/ projects
 1. Interreg Europe
<https://www.interregeurope.eu/>
 2. Interreg Balkan-Mediterranean
<http://www.interreg-balkanmed.eu/>
 3. EEA and Norway Grant
<https://eeagrants.org/>
- Non-governmental organizations (NGOs) in Cyprus
 1. A.G. Leventis Foundation
 2. Photos Photiades Foundation
- Financial institutions
 1. Green Fund provided by Banks organizations

8. Users of the Replication Plan

Possible users of Replication Plan will be contacted in order to provide them with the methods, knowledge and tools to be utilized for developing similar awareness and information campaigns. This will be achieved through:

1. Natura 2000 Communication Platform
 - Mediterranean Biogeographical region - natura2000platform@wur.nl
2. Networking with other relevant projects (e.g. LIFE projects, Natura 2000 managers/ projects from other European countries, Interreg projects)

- LIFE projects

Project	Lead partner	Contact
Managing the NATURA 2000 network in Cyprus and Shaping a sustainable future (Acronym: LIFE IP Physis; LIFE18 IPE/CY/000006) CYPRUS 01-NOV-2019 to 31-OCT-2029	Department of Environment, Ministry of Agriculture, Rural Development and Environment	estylianopoulou@environment.moa.gov.cy
Integrated actions for the conservation and management of Natura 2000 sites, species, habitats and ecosystems in Greece (Acronym: LIFE IP 4Natura; LIFE16 IPE/GR/000002) GREECE 01-DEC-2017 to 30-NOV-2025	Ministry of Environment and Energy	i.mitsopoulos@prv.ypeka.gr
LIFE intergrated project for enhanced management of Natura 2000 in Slovenia (Acronym: LIFE-IP NATURA.SI; LIFE17 IPE/SI/000011) SLOVENIA 05-SEP-2018 to 31-DEC-2026	MOP	life.mop@gov.si
Optimizing the management of Natura 2000 network in Lithuania (Acronym: PAF-NATURALIT; LIFE16 IPE/LT/000016) LITHUANIA 01-JAN-2018 to 31-DEC-2027	Environmental Projects Management Agency	birute.valatkiene@apva.lt
Using functional water & wetland ecosystems and their services as a model for improving green infrastructure and implementing PAF in Sweden (Acronym: GRIP on LIFE-IP; LIFE16 IPE/SE/000009) SWEDEN 02-OCT-2017 to 31-JUL-2025	Swedish Forest Agency	gunilla.oleskog@skogsstyrelsen.se
The exemplary implementation of the EU 2020 target with a focus on oligotrophic habitats on sand in the Atlantic region of Germany (Acronym: Atlantic region DE; LIFE15 IPE/DE/000007) GERMANY 01-OCT-2016 to 30-SEP-2026	The Ministry for Climate Protection, Environment, Agriculture, Nature and Consumer Protection of North Rhine-Westphalia	georg.keggenhoff@mulnv.nrw.de
Integrated, Innovative and Participatory Management for N2000 network in the Marine Environment (Acronym: LIFE-IP INTEMARES; LIFE15 IPE/ES/000012)	Biodiversity Foundation	itorres@fundacion-biodiversidad.es

SPAIN 01-JAN-2017 to 31-DEC-2024		
Nature Integrated Management to 2020 (Acronym: LIFE IP GESTIRE 2020; LIFE14 IPE/IT/000018) ITALY 01-JAN-2016 to 31-DEC-2023	Lombardy region	elena_tironi@regione.lombardia.it
NATURA 2000 IN BULGARIA – NEW HORIZONS National awareness raising campaign on NATURA 2000 using flagship species (Acronym: LIFEforBgNATURA; LIFE17 GIE/BG/000371) BULGARIA 01-SEP-2018 to 31-AUG-2023	Green Balkans NGO	etilova@greenbalkans.org
Aquatic Invasive Alien Species of Freshwater and Estuarine Systems: Awareness and Prevention in the Iberian Peninsula (Acronym: LIFE INVASAQUA; LIFE17 GIE/ES/000515) SPAIN 01-NOV-2018 to 31-OCT-2023	University of Murcia	fjoliva@um.es
Good Practices implementation network for Forest biodiversity conservation (Acronym: GoproFOR LIFE; LIFE17 GIE/IT/000561) ITALY 01-SEP-2018 to 30-SEP-2022	D.R.E.AM. Italia Società cooperativa agricola forestale	miozzo@dream-italia.it
Delivering the EU Biodiversity Strategy: Awareness and Capacity Building against Bird Crime in Priority Flyway Countries (Acronym: LIFE Against Bird Crime) BELGIUM 01-SEP-2018 to 28-FEB-2022	Stichting BirdLife Europe	lilla.barabas@birdlife.org
Living in Natura 2000 and living with bears in two small and endangered subpopulations (Acronym: LIFE NATURA 2000 + BEAR; LIFE16 GIE/ES/000621) SPAIN 01-JUL-2017 to 30-JUN-2020	Brown Bear Foundation	fop@fundacionosopardo.org
Awareness Raising, Training and Measures on Invasive alien Species in forests (Acronym: LIFE ARTEMIS; LIFE15 GIE/SI/000770) SLOVENIA 07-JUL-2016 to 31-OCT-2020	Slovenian Forestry Institute	maarten.degroot@gozdis.si
Promoting awareness of wildlife crime prosecution and liability for	University of Crete	mprobonas@nhmc.uoc.gr

biodiversity damage in NATURA 2000 areas in Crete (Acronym: LIFE Natura Themis; LIFE14 GIE/GR/000026) GREECE 01-OCT-2015 to 30-SEP-2020		
Building cooperation, developing skills and sharing knowledge for Natura 2000 forests in Greece (Acronym: LIFE ForestLife; LIFE14 GIE/GR/000304) GREECE 16-JUL-2015 to 15-JUL-2021	The Goulandris Natural History Museum - Greek Biotope Wetland Centre	ekby@ekby.gr

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Bulgaria	Ministry of Environment and Water	www.moew.government.bg
Croatia	Managed by the Ministry of environment and Energy	https://mzoe.gov.hr/
Republic of Cyprus	Department of Environment	director@environment.moa.gov.cy

Czech Republic	Ministry of Environment	info@mzp.cz
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Estonia	Ministry of the Environment	infolaud@envir.ee
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Germany	Federal Agency for Nature Conservation	info@bfn.de
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Hungary	Ministry of Agriculture	info@am.gov.hu
Ireland	National Parks and Wildlife Service	nature.conservation@chg.gov.ie
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Lithuania	Ministry of Environment of the Republic of Lithuania	info@am.lt
Luxembourg	Ministry of the Environment, Climate and Sustainable Development	DIESCHBOURG.Carole@mev.etat.lu
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Netherlands	Ministry of Agriculture, Nature and Food Quality	J.Sluite@minInv.nl
Poland	General Directorate for Environmental Protection	kancelaria@gdos.gov.pl
Portugal	Portuguese Institute for Nature Conservation and Forests	www.icnf.pt
Romania	Ministry of Environment, Water and Forests	relatii publice@madr.ro
Slovakia	State Nature Conservancy of the Slovak Republic	sekretariat@sopsr.sk
Slovenia	Ministry of the Environment and Spatial Planning	gp.mop@gov.si
Spain	Ministry of Agriculture and Fisheries, Food and Environment	contacto@marma.es
Sweden	Swedish Environmental Protection Agency	registrator@swedishepa.se

- Interreg projects

Project	Lead partner	Contact
Promoting the Governance of Regional Ecosystem Services (Acronym: PROGRESS)	National Association of Italian Municipalities Tuscany	V.le Giovine Italia, 17 Firenze 50122 Italy
Wildlife Economy: Nature as a viable Economic Alternative (Acronym: WLE)	Province of Limburg	post-bus@prvlim-burg.nl

Cultural resources in the mountain areas (Acronym: CRinMa)	Małopolska Region	urzad@umwm.pl
Innovative Models for Protected Areas: exchange and Transfer (Acronym: IMPACT)	Regional Government of Andalucía	Avenida Manuel Siurot, 50 Sevilla 41071 Spain
Integrating Renewable energy and Ecosystem Services in environmental and energy policies (Acronym: IRENES)	Zadar County Development Agency ZADRA NOVA	zadra@zadra.hr
European Life Science Ecosystems (Acronym: ELISE)	Kaunas University of Technology	ktu@ktu.lt

3. European and international Networks

Network	Contact
European Geoparks Network	http://www.europeangeoparks.org/
BISE - Clearing House Mechanism (CHM) network of Europe	https://biodiversity.europa.eu/
ESP - Ecosystem Services Partnership	https://www.es-partnership.org/
CEM- Commission on Ecosystem Management	https://www.iucn.org/commissions/commission-ecosystem-management
BES-Net - Biodiversity and Ecosystem Services Network	https://www.besnet.world/
Environment Holding Organization	contactoffice@umweltdachverband.at
Danish 92 Group	tdc@92grp.dk
EKO - Estonian Council of Environmental NGOs	info@bef.ee
SLL - Finnish Association for Nature Conservation	toimisto@sll.fi
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The Nature League	Director@luontoliitto.fi
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Eco Crete	info@ecocrete.gr
MTVSZ - Hungarian Association of Conservationists	info@mtvsz.hu
Irish Environmental Network	office@ien.ie

4. Conferences (specialized to Natura 2000 network or with a broader nature conservation concept, such as training workshops)

Conference	Date	Location	Contact
EU Green Week 2020	October 20-22 2020	Brussels, Belgium	https://www.eugreenweek.eu/en
IUCN World Conservation Congress	June 11-19 2021	Marseille, France	iucn@gl-events.com
International Conference on Biodiversity, Ecosystems and Environment	August 26-27 2021	Paris, France	https://waset.org/biodiversity-ecosystems-and-environment-conference-in-august-2021-in-paris
3 rd ESP Europe Conference Ecosystem Services Science, Policy and Practice in the face of Global Changes	September 21-24 2020	Tartu, Estonia	https://www.es-partnership.org/
ACES 2020 Focusing on the Future of Ecosystem Services	December 14-17 2020	United States	kzupancic@ufl.edu
4 th ESP Europe Conference	October 2021	Greece	https://www.es-partnership.org/

5. Environmental Education and Information Centers

Center	Contact
Foundation for Environmental Education (members in 77 countries worldwide)	info@fee.global
Eionet - European Environment Information and Observation Network (38 member and cooperating countries)	helpdesk@eionet.europa.eu
MEDIES - Mediterranean Education Initiative for Environment and Sustainability (more than 4000 subscribed members)	nfo@medies.net
Environmental Education Center Network in Cyprus (7 centers)	perivallontika@cyearn.pi.ac.cy
Troodos Environmental Information Center	troodosdiv@fd.moa.gov.cy
Environmental Education Centers in Greece (Youth and Lifelong Learning Foundation)	kpe@ein.gr