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SPOTLIGHT ON THE MEDITERRANEAN AREA
Uniting our Efforts for the Future

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Invitation

The Cyprus Presidency of the EU Council will spot light on the Mediterranean Cooperation as an instrument to ensure peace, stability and growth in our region:

Together with the European Territorial Cooperation Programme MED and the Neighborhood Cross-border Cooperation Programme in the Mediterranean Sea Basin ENPI MED, the Cyprus Presidency warmly invites you to the first joint conference of these two cooperation programmes to be held in Cyprus on October 24th and 25th 2012.

What is the joint conference about?

This initiative is of particular significance in the context of preparing the future programmes as it marks a further step in our policy and our institutional relations towards a better coordination of European policies destined for the Mediterranean.

Both programmes represent significant financial tools for regional and neighborhood policy development and enrichment of economic, institutional and human resources on both sides of the Mediterranean shores. Important results are being achieved and during this conference the synergies and complementarity between the projects of both programmes will be highlighted opening a debate between policy makers, International Organizations, Mediterranean institutions and civil society. This would lead us to sketch possible scenarios of an integrated cooperation in the Mediterranean basin within the framework of the future programming period 2014-2020.

The role of Europe in the support of this process is undeniable. Reflections developed by the European Commission, the European Parliament, or dynamics created by the Union for the Mediterranean and the Euro-Mediterranean Regional and Local Assembly deserve to be confronted and put into synergy. The meeting in Cyprus should offer the channels to better seize the existing potential to reach a well-balanced and fair development of territories between all sides of the Mediterranean. This aim is in line with the Cyprus EU Presidency priorities for working "Towards a Better Europe".



What's on the programme?

▶▶ **The first day** will have a political focus. The cooperation programmes' added value and long term impacts will be examined and transferability of results as well as mainstreaming and capitalization possibilities will be discussed.

This part of the conference aims to find common ground with all actors concerned and give shape to strategies for achieving a more coherent and coordinated territorial development model between programmes destined to the development for the Mediterranean.

The first day will also be live streamed from the FILOXENIA Conference Center in Nicosia.

▶▶ **The second day** is dedicated to thematic networking. Emphasis will be put on capitalization activities based on ongoing or closed projects of both programmes involving existing and potential project partners, end users and multipliers.

Parallel project visits organized jointly with and hosted by Cypriote project partners will be carried out in and around Nicosia, Larnaca and Limassol. These visits will be combined with thematic workshops and stakeholder consultations deepening the information and orientation from the first day of the conference on a more technical level.

▶▶ [Click here to download the agenda](#)



Practicalities

Date... The event will take place on October, 24th and 25th 2012.

Location... The conference will take place at the FILOXENIA Conference Centre, Aglantzia Avenue, Nicosia, Cyprus.

[**▶▶ Click here to see the venue map**](#)

Language... The panel sessions will be simultaneously translated into English, French, Greek and Arabic. Due to the active networking approach, the second day will be held in English only.

Registration... The online registration will be open **from 6th September until 9th October 2012**. Please note that since the event is organized under the auspices of the Cyprus Presidency of the EU Council, specific security rules have to be respected. As the 1st day of the event will take place at the FILOXENIA Conference Center in Nicosia only people registered using a dedicated system for this purpose will be allowed to enter the venue. More information about the registration is provided on the event website, see link below.

[**▶▶ Click here to register online**](#)

Transfer and accommodation... A hotel room reservation service is available. Shuttle buses from the hotels to the conference center and the day two project visits will also be organized.

[**▶▶ Click here for the hotel reservation**](#)

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