

## For a Greener Future Reduce, Reuse, Recycle NOW!

### Green Week 2016

As part of its Green Week 2016 campaign, the European Commission will mark the importance of reducing, reusing, and recycling for a greener future in cooperation with (insert partners) a series of events for Green Week 2016 from 3<sup>rd</sup> June to 21<sup>st</sup> of June. Green Week is Europe's biggest annual conference on environment policy, bringing together participants from all sectors of the society for a unique exchange of ideas and best practices. Green Week 2016, focuses on 'Investing for a greener future.'

To launch the Green Week 2016 campaign and battery collection competition for schools, an outdoor event will take place at Kumsal Park (Dereboyu Entrance) on Friday, the 3<sup>rd</sup> of June from 19:00 – 20:00.

The battery collection competition will be open to all public primary, secondary and high schools in the Turkish Cypriot community and will highlight the need to dispose of used batteries in the correct way. Students are encouraged to start collecting batteries during the summer holidays and the top 3 schools will be awarded a laptop, a video camera and a digital camera. In addition to this 10 students will be awarded a tablet. The guidelines of the competition and battery collection bins will be disseminated to all school at the beginning of September 2016. The award ceremony will take place in November 2016.

Green Week 2016 partners include KUŞKOR, Green Action Groups, Turkish Cypriot Chamber of Commerce, Turkish Cypriot Chamber of Industry, Cyprus Turkish Building Contractors Association, Environmental Protection Foundation, Güvenir Foundation, Union of the Chambers of Cyprus Turkish Engineers and Architects, Environment Platform, Chamber of Environmental Engineers and Gönyeli SAM.

Other Green Week events throughout June include the Construction Waste & Packaging Waste and Recycling panel on 9 June, Thursday at Merit Hotel from 10:30 to 13:30, a Composting Workshop on 13 June, Monday from 16:00 to 18:00 at Gönyeli SAM, a Film Screening on 17 June, Friday from 20:00 – 21:30 at Kumsal Park, and the Green Week Instagram Competition Prize Ceremony and Exhibition on 21 June, Tuesday from 16:00-18:00 at EU Infopoint.

#### Background:

The 2016 edition of Green Week, the biggest annual occasion to debate and discuss European environment policy, will take place from Monday, 30 May to Friday, 3 June. It will focus on the theme "Investing for a greener future". It's about ensuring our children breathe cleaner air on their way to school, it's about using raw materials and resources more efficiently, it's about preventing waste, and much more besides.

Interested individuals can get more information on this event on the EU Infopoint Facebook page [f/abbilgi](#) or by contacting the EU Infopoint: [info@abbilgi.eu](mailto:info@abbilgi.eu), 228 2577 and 11A Hasene Ilgaz Street, Köşklüçiftlik Nicosia.

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