

**DEADLINE: 31 OCTOBER 2019!**

All high school students are invited to participate in the “My Favourite EU Project” themed Photo Competition organised as part of Europe Day 2019 Celebrations. The competition encourages young people to discover EU-supported projects near them and look at how these projects contribute to their daily lives. EU support contributes to communities by raising awareness on EU values such as human rights, equality, diversity, freedom, and democracy through the support to civil society. In addition to this, the EU provides support to different sectors including the private sector, agriculture, environment, infrastructure, schools, and cultural heritage.

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European Week of Sport & International Peace Day marked with Friendship Cup

The importance of being active was underlined as part of the European Week of Sport 2019 with a bi-communal football tournament, the “Friendship Cup”. Three Turkish Cypriot and three Greek Cypriot Football teams participated in the tournament. Düzkaya Masters, Güzelyurt/Morphou Masters and Batmazoğlu Masters teams from the Turkish Cypriot Community and CVAR, Nea Salamina Masters and Orpheas Masters teams from the Greek Cypriot community took part in the tournament. The games took place at Orpheas Football Stadium 14 and 22 September and at Yusuf Kaptan Football Stadium on the 15 and 21 September. The Friendship Cup also coincided with International Peace Day, which each year is observed around the world on 21 September. As part of the Friendship Cup special focus was also given to unity and cooperation on this important day.



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After 10 games played over two weekends, the winner of the tournament Düzakaya Masters and the runner-up Orpheas Masters were announced at the trophy ceremony on 22 September. The teams received their trophies from Mr. Kjartan Björnsson. The inaugural Friendship Cup in Cyprus took place in June 2017 as part of the European Week of Sport with the support of the EU Infopoint.

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Launched in 2015, the European Week of Sport was created in response to the worsening inactivity crisis. The European Week of Sport aims to promote sport and physical activity across Europe. The Week is for everyone, regardless of age, background or fitness level. With a focus on grassroots initiatives, it will inspire Europeans to #BeActive on a regular basis and create opportunities in peoples' everyday lives to exercise more.



European Mobility Week 2019 celebrated with "Walk With Us" Events

The European Commission, as part of European Mobility Week 2019, marked the importance of safe walking and cycling and the benefits it can have for our health, and our environment with a series of “#walkwithus” events in Famagusta on Monday, 16 September 2019, Lapithos/Lapta on Wednesday, 18 September 2019 and Nicosia on Thursday, 19 September 2019 in collaboration with the Cyprus Turkish Medical Association (KTTB) and the Cyprus Turkish Diabetes Association (KTDD). All events started with free blood sugar level measurements at the starting point by the KTDD. All walks were guided by a doctor from the KTTB.



The aim of the #walkwithus events was to promote walking and cycling over private vehicles which can contribute to less congestion and a higher quality of life. This year's European Mobility Week put the spotlight on active transport modes such as walking and cycling, which are emission-free and help to keep our hearts and bodies healthy. Our bodies are designed to move, yet many of us struggle to find the time to get active during the day. We may find that much

cyclists and take 15 percent fewer days off work through illness, while 25 minutes of brisk walking a day can add up to seven years to your life.



European Researchers Night focused on Climate and Environment

The role of research and innovation in the success of the economic, ecological and societal transition was underlined during the European Researchers' Night 2019 event held at Bandabuliya Stage in Nicosia on 27 September. After the opening speeches by Mr. Arttu Makipaa and Prof. Dr. Mr. Olgun Çiçek, researchers, Ms. Şefika Mertkan, Mr. Ali Muhtaroglu, Ms. Gizem Şanlıtürk, Mr. Mümtaz Güran, Mr. Ergin Akalper, and Mr. Umut Arbay shared their latest research projects in relation to climate and environment.



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and environment. At the event, researchers presented their research work in various areas such as sustainable development by reducing carbon emissions and increasing cleaner energy production; climate change and environmental journalism; antimicrobial resistance patterns of three pathogenic bacteria in Mediterranean seawater; and research and social responsibility.

During the event, special emphasis was also given to the importance of research. Researchers presented their work and informed the public about the role and importance of research in climate action and protecting the environment as well as the impact of their research results in sustainable development. At the same time, participants had the opportunity to engage with the researchers and ask questions. The event ended with a reception, giving participants and researchers an opportunity to network and share ideas.

Upcoming Events and Themes

NOVEMBER

European SME Week

Nicosia Jazz Days

Europe Day 2019 Photo Competition Prize Ceremony

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