



UfM-Cyprus side event - COP26

Climate Action in the Mediterranean

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EU Pavilion

Organising Partners:

- Secretariat of the Union for the Mediterranean (UfM)
- Ministry of Agriculture, Rural Development and Environment of Cyprus
- Clima-Med Project
- Network of Mediterranean Experts on Climate and Environmental Change (MedECC)

Description:

The Mediterranean Basin is warming faster than the global average. MedECC scientists warn about impacts of climate and environmental changes in the Mediterranean on agriculture, public health, ecosystems, tourism, water resources as well as humanitarian and security issues. Joint action, based on science, is urgently needed. Two examples: The Cyprus Climate Change Initiative and innovative climate funding strategies modeled by the Clima-Med project are presented.

AGENDA

Introduction

- **H.E. Constantinos Kadis**, Minister of Agriculture, Rural Development and Environment of Cyprus
- **H.E. Dr. Muawieh Khalid Radaideh**, Minister of Environment of Jordan, UfM Co-Presidency (Jordan)
- **Mrs. Silvia Crescimbeni**, UfM Co-Presidency (EC / DG CLIMA)
- **Mr. Grammenos Mastrojeni**; Moderator - UfM Secretariat, Senior Deputy Secretary General

Scientific Assessment: state of play of Climate change in the Mediterranean

- **Dr. Fatima Driouech**, Associate Professor at the University Mohammed VI Polytechnic and Co-Coordinator of MedECC

Leading by Example: the Cyprus Climate Change Initiative

- **Pr. Costas Papanikolas**, Advisor of the President of the Republic of Cyprus and Special Envoy on Climate Change

Finding Solutions: Innovative climate funding strategies

- **Mr. Vanni Puccioni**, Clima-Med Senior Banking and Climate Finance Expert

Q&A

Conclusions losing Remarks

- **Mr. Grammenos Mastrojeni**; UfM Secretariat, Senior Deputy Secretary General