

“Save Our Food”: A Pilot Food Waste Project in Cyprus

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Abstract

“Save Our Food” project (in Cyprus) had two core objectives: 1) To minimise food waste of edible food in Cyprus, and 2) To minimise the group of people who face food insecurity. The main aims of the project are to a) minimise the amount of wasted food in various levels of economic activity, b) offer food to people who cannot satisfy their basic needs by offering them food that otherwise would be wasted, c) organize awareness raising workshops on food waste and circular economy for young people. A consortium of five stakeholders was established, in order to run and complete the project, involving a research center, a local authority, the country’s youth board, volunteers and a consulting company from Greece. The expected outcomes would be to inform both youngsters and the Cypriot society on food waste and how everyone could act responsibly. The main characteristics, barriers and challenges of the project will be presented at the conference.

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