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Project aims

The aim of the project is to define a *ConsumelessMed tourist model* in the L pilot territories through:

- introduction of a territorial brand *ConsumelessMed*, assigned to private and / or public entities participating in the initiative, pledging to achieve sustainable management actions of energy, water and reduction some waste
- realization of **demonstrative actions** in order to communicate to tourists, the municipality responsibility in terms of energy, water and waste savings
- development of an widespread awareness campaign on the demonstrative actions involving private ConsumelessMed's facilities and public organisation
- development of a marketing promotional campaign to promote ConsumelessMed local and tourist brand (story telling, APP, atypical events)







ConsumelessMed tourist model

- 1. Integrated approach, including multiple types of energy and water saving actions and waste prevention and management measures;
- 2. Offer of consume-less services through the active involvement of tourism service providers in the re-organization of their services; in order to offer to tourists a choice of services that will consent them to minimize water and energy consumption and waste generation and to better know and appreciate local products during their stay;
- 3. Awareness raising and behavioral change campaigns based on the use of multiple behaviour change approaches and innovative solutions including a mix of storytelling and SoLoMo (Social-Location-Mobile solutions).

The implementation strategy is characterized in particular by the introduction of the concept of a territorial **ConsumelessMed label**





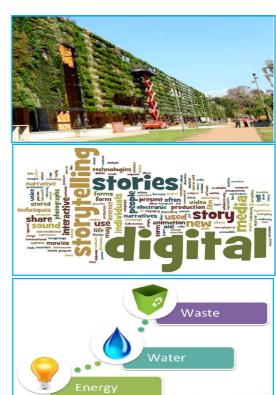
ConsumelessMed tourist model

Activities

- ConsumelessMed label by tourism service providers
- ConsumelessMed demonstrative measures
- ConsumelessMed awareness raising campaign
- ConsumelessMed monitoring
- ConsumelessMed marketing strategy







ConsumelessMed label

The label is assigned to private or public operators (tourism service providers) which apply specific energy, water and waste sustainable management actions in their activities, offering to tourists a choice of services able to minimize the consumption of water and energy and the generation of waste and to better know and appreciate local products during their stay.



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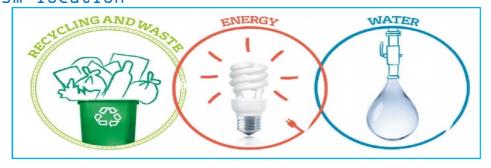
ConsumelessMed demonstrative measures

- implementation at city level of demonstrative measures aimed at reducing water and energy consumption or waste production by installing some visible and concrete equipment in popular public or private spaces/buildings having a high visibility for tourists
- The aim of such demonstrative be measures is to communicate to tourists the commitment of the municipalities in saving water and energy and reducing waste.



ConsumelessMed awareness raising campaign

- implementation of extensive awareness raising campaigns targeted to tourists, that will involve both the private facilities awarding the label and the public sector promoting the developed demonstrative measures
- to mobilize and involve tourism operators and tourism service providers (hotels, restaurants, bars, tourists shops) at local level in improving the environmental sustainability of the services offered to tourists, by implementing specific good practices aimed at reducing waste and saving energy and water, thus preserving the attractiveness and competitiveness of the tourism location



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ConsumelessMed awareness raising initiatives and tools for a "widespread campaign

- Communication initiatives and tools for a "widespread information" at Municipal level, aimed at promoting the ConsumelessMed brand (atypical event, posters, informative totems, etc.)
- Communication initiatives and tools realized by the sites of tourism service providers (brochures, sugar bowls or other durable items, window film, etc.)
- On line communication strategy and tools (gadgets for tourists, video-storytelling)







ConsumelessMed monitoring

Indicator System

The monitoring approach reflects the model concept, and is thus articulated in three different components:

- Monitoring of the label implementation, according to the monitoring approach defined in the ConsumelessMed label guidelines
- Monitoring of the demonstrative measures, according to specific monitoring procedures related to the kind of measures implemented.
- Monitoring of the sustainability level achieved by the tourism location based on the application of the European Tourism Indicators System (ETIS) for sustainable destination management, developed by the European Commission (destination management, social and cultural impact, economic value, environmental impact).

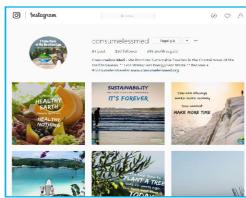


ConsumelessMed marketing strategy

- Implementation of an ad-hoc territorial marketing strategy aimed at enhancing the ConsumelessMed label and model implemented in the Mediterranean tourist locations.
- The strategy focuses on promoting the ConsumelessMed brand awareness taking also into account the specific identity in each area and the main media and physic tools.









How to apply ConsumelessMed label

The promoters of the label in each tourist area area first of alla the public administrations, together with local key actors representing the tourist and environmental sectors.

The promoters will be part of the local ConsumelessMed committee. They will sign the ConsumelessMed Memorandum of Understanding, committing itself to manage the label implementation.

The main tasks of the committee are:

- promoting at territorial level the label and the facilities awarded;
- providing technical support:
- monitoring the application of the label's crite results.



Who can apply ConsumelessMed label?

- Hotels and accommodation
- Camping sites
- Cafes and restaurants
- Food and handicraft shops
- Beach resorts











ConsumelessMed application process

Facilities willing to apply the ConsumelessMed label should sign a ConsumelessMed adhesion form including the following commitments:

- implementation of mandatory and voluntary actions aiming to reduce waster water and energy consumption, including the up keeping of good practices that have already been implemented;
- the management must ensure that the employees are aware of the establishment's environmental undertakings and behave in a more sustainable way;
- implementation of communication activities: ConsumelessMed label must be displayed in a prominent place, information materials about the environmental commitment and the consumeless initiatives must be visible and accessible for guests and published on the web.



ConsumelessMed application process

Facilities signing the adhesion form have to identify a person in charge of the label implementation and make a self-audit identifying existing management activities aiming to reduce waste production, to increase separate collection, to reduce water and energy consumption (mandatory) and quantifying current waste production and water and energy consumption (voluntary).

Son the first steps to be done are:

 the identification of the label manager, a person in charge of the ConsumelessMed label implementation and (if needed) the other figures supporting him;

 the label manager make a first analysis on the basis of a specific monitoring check list (available one for each category of tourist service

providers). This analysis will be the first monitoring activities.



ConsumelessMed application process

- After one year the monitoring checklist have to be filled in again briefly describing the measures adopted to satisfy mandatory and voluntary criteria, also using quantitative indicators (when possible)
- The compiled checklist will check by the ConsumelessMed committee through an off-site audit. Additional on-site audits should be organized by the committee on a minimum sample of facilities (20%-25%).
- For the first year of application, the facilities have to report and show that at least all mandatory criteria have been satisfied, while for the following years at least a new voluntary action or to set one yearly target improving quantitative results related to mandatory criteria (e.g. to increase energy efficient light bulbs from 50% to 70%, to add a new category of waste collected separately or to reduce the number of single use products served at the restaurant).



ConsumelessMed benefits

- Promotional activities: local communication campaign promoting the label and the facilities awarded. At regional and national level, the project will develop a marketing strategy promoting the ConsumelessMed tourist model.
- Use of the label: all consumelessMed facilities can use the logo for their promotional materials and initiatives.
- Technical support: the ConsumelessMed committee will organize training courses and help desk activities about the ConsumelessMed label criteria and management rules.



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For further information..

Visit the web platform https://www-consumelessmed-org/



Have a look on ConsumelessMed social media:



Thank you for the attention!

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