

Event Sustainability Policy

The Valletta Cultural Agency is focused on increasing awareness regarding sustainability and reducing the environmental impact. As an event organiser working with the Valletta Cultural Agency, there are certain points to comply with:

The Valletta Cultural Agency operates a “Leave No Trace” philosophy. Each event site must be left as clean (if not cleaner) as it was before the event.

Packaging should be reduced at source. Don't use or promote products that have packaging and reduce all packaging wherever possible. Leave a legacy with suppliers.

Support the “Bring your own container” initiative for food and drinks. Vendors must be willing to serve participants in their own drinking bottle/cooler/bowl/plate! Dishwashing facilities for participants must be provided.

Recycling and composting bins must be present at every event. This will help to divert as many resources as possible from the landfill. Resources are precious and Malta is a small island! “Waste” collection companies must agree to dispose of waste correctly at Wasteserv.

All food vendors and bars must only use compostable disposables. All food waste and paper disposables must be added to the compost bins. This compost can be sent to WasteServ.

Cigarette butt bins are to be provided throughout the event site, portable pocket ashtrays can be handed out as optional.

Promote conscious transport options. Use public transport, shuttle buses, park and ride initiatives, carpooling, cycling or walking.

Drinking water in single-use plastic bottles is prohibited during events. Water must be provided in refillable containers or compostable disposables.

Use only biodegradable or organic washing products. Reduce the amount of chemicals you are using, ask vendors and suppliers to do the same.

All wastewater should be contained. Grey water should be captured into containers and deposited in agreed sewage systems.

Portable toilets should use ecological (enzyme-based) products rather than the traditional, formaldehyde-based chemicals.

Reduce energy consumption. Ask suppliers to use LED lighting wherever possible, look into power sourcing alternatives. Choose low impact materials when procuring materials.

Organise cleaning services throughout the event. These can be volunteers, clean-ups run by participants of the event or paid workers. A clean floor should stay a clean floor.



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Contribute to the local community. Give back to the local area in any way you can, source workers locally, buy local, use local goods.

Build awareness. Make sure that participants, suppliers, crew and vendors are engaged in what you are aiming to achieve. Publish your sustainability policies pre-event, communicate your intentions and initiatives. Use social media, national media, press.

Create a legacy. Focus on education throughout, create educational boards for the event, employ sustainability crew to promote your initiatives, ask participants to share their experiences and leave empowered and inspired. Aim to make your events as green as can be!