

Environment

In the name of growth, there is a worldwide reckless exploitation of natural resources, which has intensified in recent years due to the economic crisis. The dramatic climatic changes and the increasing frequency and intensity of extreme weather events, the increase in global warming, the rise in sea level and so many other occurrences around us all continually send their own signal of danger.

Unfortunately, in the last few decades there can be recognition of the problem, but no substantial steps are being taken to reverse the disastrous course in the environment.

Unfortunately, in Cyprus, the environment is sacrificed on the altar of growth. Environmental problems have increased as a result of unplanned growth. The many violations of the obligations of the Republic of Cyprus towards Natura 2000 protected areas and the inability to develop an integrated management plan for the protection of these areas further aggravates the problem.

Policy positions:

- Establishment of a Central Environment Agency with all the environmental responsibilities.
- Respect and implement all environmental laws. Punish severe punishments to the outlaws.
- Implementation of the general plan for beaches.
- Strengthening green areas and introducing stringent environmental conditions to major developments.
- Prevention and training measures for dealing with fires and other natural disasters.
- Encouraging young people to invest in the recycling process.
- Promoting the use of energy-saving systems. Rational and sustainable use of Renewable Energy Sources.
- Good environmental management of natural gas fields, with strict rules on pollution of the marine environment.
- Full protection of the natural resources found in the Natura 2000 network.
- Upgrading public transport.