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AKTI Project and Research Centre in partnership with GSI Italia held with success the 'Stakeholder Workshop: Exchange of experiences and good practices on how to promote integration and unite European citizens through environmental events and activities' which took place on 18th November 2014 at Nicosia, Cyprus.

Good practices and successful projects of social inclusion were presented by the keynote speakers from Italy, Greece and Cyprus. During the workshop, parameters and indicators of social inclusion deriving from the analysis of successful good practices were identified and recorded in order to support stakeholders and decision-makers in designing future relevant projects and strategic plans. Environment was used as a common EU value and as a tool for promoting employment and integration of the EU citizens.

In total, 34 social stakeholders representing local and public authorities, universities, environmental and social NGOs, embassies and private bodies, attended the workshop.

The workshop was implemented within the framework of the project INTERACT: Inclusion through environmental activities which is funded by the European Union. The Stakeholders Workshop was implemented with the support of the Anti – Discrimination Body (Cyprus Ombudsman office).

'Multiculturalism in society is as important as the bio-diversity in nature' said Michalis Loizides (AKTI), the discussion facilitator.

'Education is a crucial factor for the integration of migrants and the promotion of pluralism ... However, the educational system remains in essence monocultural despite the 10% of students with immigrant background' noted Aristos Tsiartas, Head of the Anti-Discrimination Body.

To learn more about the workshop results and the INTERACT project please visit www.akti.org.cy and www.gsitalia.org



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