

QUESTIONNAIRE SURVEY (Q09A)

The questionnaire is anonymous and confidential. Your answers will be analyzed by the company “AELIA Sustainable Engineering”, and by scientists / researchers of the **University of Crete - Natural History Museum of Crete (UoC-NHMC)** in the framework of the LIFE Natura Themis project (<http://www.lifethemis.eu>). Aim of this survey is the determination of the opinions of the **LAY PUBLIC OF CRETE / TOURISTS - VISITORS** on matters relating to the practice of persecution for crimes against wildlife and the emergence of environmental liability in Crete.

Please fill in the questionnaire and send it via post or e-mail to the following address:

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A. DEMOGRAPHICS / GENERAL INFORMATION

A.1 Sex: Male Female

A.2 Age: <25 25-35 36-45
 46-55 56-65 >65

A.3 Studies level: Graduate from Primary School Graduate from High School
 Graduate from Lyceum Graduate from University/Technological Institute
 Postgraduate studies

A.4 Place of visit in Crete:

Municipality: _____ **Regional Unity:** _____

B. GENERAL QUESTIONS

B.1 Rate the degree of effectiveness of environmental offenses prosecution in Greece:

1- not effective 2- poor 3- sufficient
4- good 5- excellent

B.2 Do you know what the Network NATURA 2000 is?

YES, I know very well I know, but without accurate information
NO, I don't know anything

B.3 Do you know that within the NATURA 2000 Network of protected areas there are protected species and habitats?

YES NO

B.4 Human activities in the areas of the NATURA 2000 Network are: (Only 1 answer)

- A) Prohibited everywhere
- B) Allowed everywhere
- C) Allowed under conditions
- D) Other (please clarify):

B.5 Are crimes against wildlife a special category of crimes?

YES NO I don't know

B.6 At the EU and national level, are we obliged to preserve biodiversity and also to restore it in case of damage?

YES NO I don't know

B.7 Do you know the national and European legislation governing the protection of biodiversity and the NATURA 2000 Network?

1-I don't know at all 2-I know little about it 3- I know sufficiently
4-I know well 5-I know very well

B.8 Have you ever thought of reporting an illegal act against wildlife (e.g. illegal hunting, illegal arrest or gathering, use of poisoned baits, abuse of species)?

1-I have never thought of it 2-I thought it few times 3-I thought it sometimes
4-I thought it several times 5-I thought it whenever it happened

B.9 Have you ever submitted a complaint about any environmental degradation incident?

YES NO

If NO, why (explain briefly)?

B.10 Do you know about any case of environmental crime prosecution?

YES NO

B.11 In case of environmental damage, where the restoration of the habitat / species is decided, who do you believe that has to pay the cost? (Only 1 answer)

- A) The polluter / the violator
- B) The citizens
- C) The State
- D) The European Union
- E) A sponsor
- F) Other (please clarify)

B.12 To whom should someone report an incident of environmental degradation?

- A) Greek Ombudsman
- B) Environmental organizations
- C) Forest Authorities
- D) Regional Department of Environment
- E) Attorney
- F) Police
- G) Other (please clarify):

B.13 You think that the media cover cases of environmental degradation:

1-not at all 2-poorly / with shortcomings 3-moderate
4-satisfactory 5-fully / very satisfactory

B.14 How would you characterize the Greek legislation regarding the environmental protection?

1-inadequate 2-with some shortcomings 3-sufficient

C. SPECIFIC QUESTIONS

C.1 Is the infilling of a stream considered to be an environmental crime?

YES NO I do not know

C.2 Can a citizen claim against an environmental degradation incident due to activities of the municipal or regional authorities?

YES NO I don't know

C.3 Does the citizen have a legitimate interest to denounce any incident of environmental degradation?

YES NO I don't know

C.4 Do you know the project LIFE Natura Themis;

YES NO

C.5 In your opinion, has there been an increase during the last 4 years in the awareness and state of knowledge of the inhabitants of Crete regarding environmental violations / environmental delinquency / environmental crime?

YES NO

Do you want to be informed about the results of the questionnaire?

YES NO

If YES, please fill your e-mail address:

THANK YOU