

Information on Accommodation

Cyprus, the Isle of Aphrodite, is bathed by the azure waters of the Eastern Mediterranean and is blessed with mild winters and warm sunny summers. The island offers excellent beaches, rugged mountains, green forests and lush valleys. The harmonious blend of old and new is ever present with the profusion of ancient archaeological sites cohabiting side-by-side with modern infrastructure and an efficient communication network.

Cyprus is renowned for its hospitality and indeed its friendly people are always ready to give a warm welcome and a big smile. It is almost impossible to get lost as the sea is almost always visible and provides an unforgettable landmark.

The Columbia Beach Resort Pissouri

This exclusive all suite five star resort ambles gently upward from the sparkling waters of the bay following the natural incline of the landscape so that most suites have a spectacular sea view and many also look out over the 80m lagoon-style swimming pool, which is the central feature guarded by towering palm trees. All that is best in Cypriot architecture and local materials has been used. Sloping roofs and graceful arches are predominant, as is the use of natural wood and stone, and the specially reclaimed terracotta roof tiles give the whole project a nicely aged and traditional look. All suites have shuttered windows, heavy wooden doors and large covered balconies.

Paved pathways, shaded by bougainvillea and olive trees, meander throughout the resort around the traditional taverna and ouzeri, past the quaint little Chapel of All Saints and on down to the beach.

Conferences of up to 325 delegates and smaller meetings can be accommodated in the Oval Conference Hall or in any of the breakout rooms. State-of-the-art conferencing equipment and different business services are available. The Business Centre offers a full range of facilities, and all suites have a socket for Internet connection.

COLUMBIA BEACH RESORT



Accommodation

COLUMBIA Beach Resort Pissouri

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Prices for Conference Participants

(approx. 80 rooms available)

€120/night per room (single occupancy
incl. breakfast)

€190/night per room (double occupancy
incl. breakfast)

Availability on first come, first served basis

Alternative Accommodation: Episkopiana Hotel



Kremmastis Road, P.O.Box 51412
Episkopi, Limassol

www.episkopiana.com

Prices for Accommodation

€29/night per room (Single occupancy incl. breakfast)

€46/night per room (Double occupancy incl. breakfast)

Uniquely located and overlooking the Episkopi village and Akrotiri Peninsula, the Episkopiana Hotel, is the perfect place for the demanding holidaymaker.

Situated between the major tourist resorts of Limassol (12km) and Paphos (45km) and with frequent free shuttle bus to the Curium sandy beach, the hotel is the right place to be. The Troodos Mountains (60km) with its numerous ancient monasteries, the cedar trees valley and the unique Cyprus mouflon are only some of the attractions easily accessible to the Episkopiana guest.

Information and registration details

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Social Events

Wednesday, 11th May 2005:

Reception Cocktail at the hotel (Columbia Beach Resort)

Thursday, 12th May 2005

Gala Dinner at the hotel (Columbia Beach Resort)

A Gala Dinner will be held in honor of participants and accompanying persons of the Conference.

Friday, 13th May, 2005

Afternoon guided Tour to traditional Omodos Village, followed by dinner in a local tavern. On the road towards the Omodos Village we will visit the Kouris Dam.

Saturday, 14th May, 2005



Full day guided tour to Paphos. At the town of Paphos we will visit the worldwide famous mosaics at the **house of Dionysos**, God of wine and fun according to Greek mythology and the Pillars of St. Paul, where Sergios Pavlos, the Roman governor at the time whipped the Apostle. Lunch in a local taverna.

Accompanying Persons Tours

Accompanying persons will have the chance to visit Cyprus while delegates will be at the conference. We suggest the following tours:

Thursday, 12th May 2005

Half day tour to Lefkara village and the Neolithic settlement of Khirokitia. Leaving the hotel we will visit the Neolithic settlement of Khirokitia dated back to the 6.800 BC. Then we will head for the picturesque village of Lefkara. Lefkara is known for lace, silversmiths. Its Venetian style of architecture is ideal for a walk through the narrow streets with a visit to the church of Arc. Michael and its murals dated back to the 12th century. Let the locals treat you to traditional sweets and bargain yourself to a lace or a silver gift. On the way back we will stop to have lunch at a local restaurant.



Lefkara



Khirokitia

Friday, 13th May 2005

Half day tour to Limassol – Kolossi – Kourion. Leaving the hotel we will stop for a while at the shopping center in the old part of Limassol city. Then we will visit the castle of Kolossi. Originally constructed in the 13th century, it first served as the Grand Commandery of the Knights Templars, and then as the headquarters of the Knights of St. John of Jerusalem. We continue to Curium, an important ancient city kingdom with the magnificent Graeco – Roman theatre. We will stop for lunch at a local restaurant in the area.



Kolossi



Kourion



Kourion

Other Information

Hotel Location



Distances to the Columbia Beach Resort – Pissouri

- From Larnaka Airport by Taxi (CYP 45,00) €76.50 – 90 Km
- From Paphos Airport by Taxi (CYP 20,00) €34.00 – 35 Km

Distances in km and miles (approx.) between Major Cites and Other Tourist Areas (* via Lemesos)

km/miles	Lefkosia	Lemesos	Pafos	Larnaka	Troodos	Agia Napa	Paralimni Protaras	Polis	Larnaka Airport	Pafos Airport
Lefkosia	-	83/52	146/91	45/28	71/44	80/50	84/53	176/109	50/31	142/88
Lemesos	83/52	-	68/42	66/41	45/28	106/66	110/68	98/61	70/43	63/39
Pafos	146/91	68/42	-	135*/84	113*/71	175*/109	179*/111	35/22	140*/87	15/9
Larnaka Airport	50/31	70/43	140/87	5/3	111/69	45/28	49/30	175/109	-	125/78
Pafos Airport	142/88	63/39	15/9	130/81	100/63	169/106	173/108	45/28	125/78	-

Weather

Month	Average Temp. (C°)	Hours of Sunshine Per Day
May	26	10.8