



# **Waste Management**

Our Obligations Towards the Local Community & Starwood Brand



## Overview

Minimizing waste is a key pillar of Starwood's environmental policy. To support our strategy of creating a better world to experience, we have made recycling mandatory across all nine brands, while supporting our properties' development of innovative, effective, and cost saving waste reduction solutions that meet their communities' needs. Our Required and Recommended Initiatives within Waste Minimization aim to reinforce these efforts and reduce our waste impact at both a global and local level.



# Criteria adopted by Hotel

- Management Team to monitor environmental effects and suggest improvements on methods to reduce waste, energy and water use.
- 'Green procurements' principles when purchasing Rooms Management
- Implementation of waste separation and management program for the recycling of waste conforming with our local responsibilities.



## **Starwood Mission Statement**

- Conserving Natural Resources
- Minimizing Waste and Pollution
- Enhancing Indoor Environment Quality
- Establish and Reporting on Key Environment Performance Indicators
- Raising Environmental awareness among our associates Guests and Community



## **Best Practices**

- Induction Training based on the three R's
- Provide Environmental
  Awareness Information to our
  Associates & Guests
- Minimal Use of Non Environmentally Friendly Materials





Provide Environmental Awareness Information to all associates inside our Hotel.







# Informing Guests & Clients of the Best Practices the Hotel is taking initiatives on.

Malta, November 2011

Dear Valued Guests,



We have the great pleasure of sharing with you our participation to the European Week for Waste Reduction, which will be held at Le Méridien St Julians Hotel & Spa from the  $21^{st}$  till the  $26^{th}$  of November 2011.

The European Week for Waste Reduction is a 3-year project supported by the LIFE+ Programme of the European Commission until the end of 2011. The EWWR aims at organising multiple environmental actions during a single week, across Europe in an effort to raise awareness about waste prevention.

On the local scene, this eco-friendly project is being encouraged and supported by WasteService Malta Ltd. Throughout the week, our Hospitality Team will actively promote awareness with varied initiatives within the hotel such as waste separation and management programs for the recycling of waste, usage of biodegradable cleaning and washing products, etc.

Should you wish to know more about the European Week for Waste Reduction, do not hesitate to visit <a href="https://www.ewwr.eu">www.ewwr.eu</a>.

Thank you in advance for helping us achieve great results in waste reduction

For a better future together,

Kind Regards, The Management



Bring together students and the neighbours during the Waste Reduction Week Providing Environmental talks.





#### News

# Ekoskola students conduct audit of Le Meridien Hotel

Six Ekoskola schools from Sliema and St Julian's recently conducted an environmental auditof Le Meridien Hotel in St Julian's, which is the first hotel in Malta to be awarded the Green Key Award.

The students reviewed various areas of the hotel, including a hotel room, conference area. restaurant kitchen, indoor pool, gym, staff quarters, pantry, garbage and laundry rooms.

The students were assisted by hotel personnel, under the guidance of Joseph Zammit, the hotel's security and health and safety manager.

From the audit results, the various schools' Ekoskola committees formulated an action plan and presented it to the hotel management.

In their report the students highlighted some of the positive initiatives they observed, such as solar films on windows, the use of energy-saving bulbs, sensor switches, soaps and detergents



in recyclable containers and the use of local products whenever this is possible.

including the conversion of

They also recommended sev- kitchen and garden waste to eral actions for improvement, compost, providing information to guests concerning the hotel's

environmental initiatives and more dissemination about its environment initiatives in the hotel industry.

The experience was positive for the students, who had the opportunity to develop several educational and interpersonal

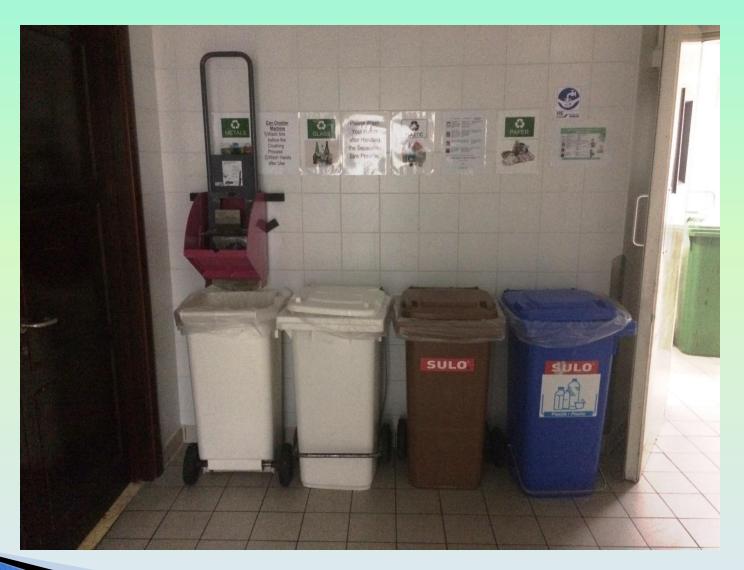
The activity brought together Ekoskola and Green Key, two Foundation for Environmental Education international programmes that are run locally by Nature Trust Malta. The Green Key programme is aimed at raising environmental awareness in leisure establishments.

The schools that took part in the audit were St Joseph junior and senior schools, Sliema; Convent of the Sacred Heart junior and senior schools, St Julian's; St Patrick's Salesian School. Sliema; and St Clare College Boys' Secondary School, Sliema.

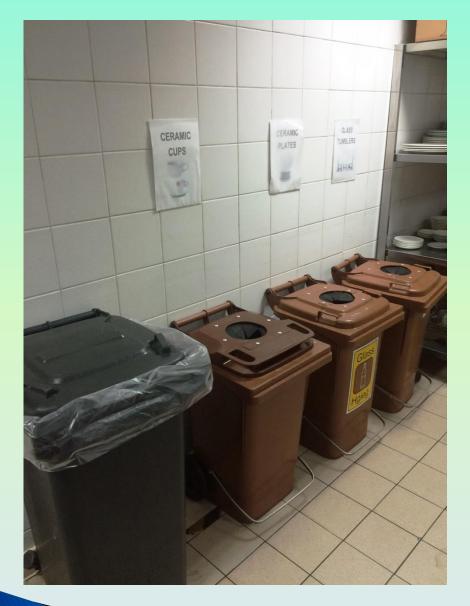
A similar environmental audit had been conducted last year at San Anton Palace.

Students were invited to come over at our property see our waste practices.

## Provide Material









Food separation in the kitchen





Separation inside Staff Canteen



Battery separation in the back of house





Plastic & Tins

#### Waste Room



**Used Cooking Oil** 

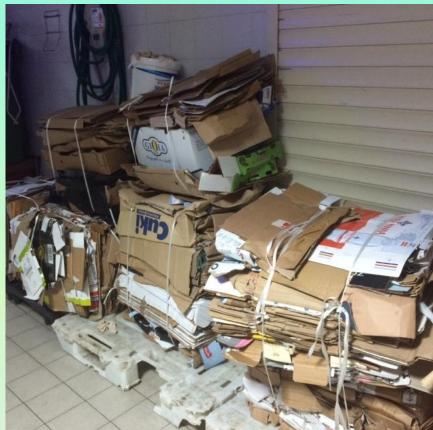




**Organic Waste Separation** 







Bailing



#### Separation from other waste sources:

- > Neon tubes and bulbs
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- Glass bottles & glass
- Tins & cans
- Bulky items
- Used batteries
- > Burned cooking oil











Bulky items clean up day





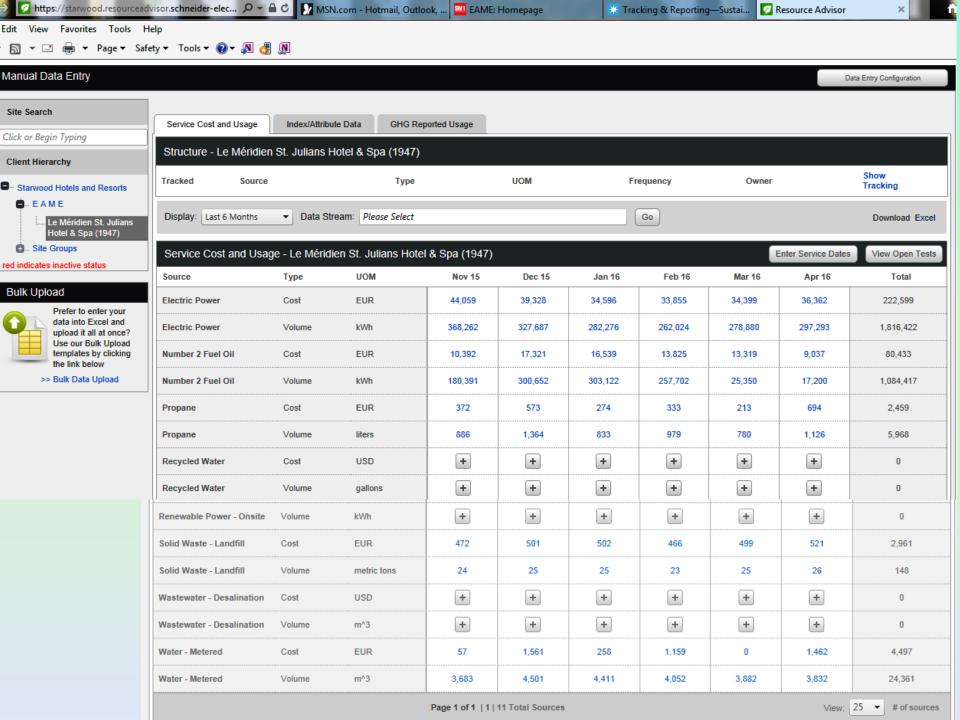












## Le MERIDIEN Hotel Achievements

- Nominated for the European Waste Reduction Awards Wasteserv 2011 -2013
- Waste Minimisation Award Cleaner Technology Centre Participation 2011
- US Ambassador's Award for Environmental Excellence US Embassy 2011
- ▶ Travellife Gold Sustainability in Tourism Award Travellife Gold Awards 2009 2011
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- ▶ Malta Waste Reduction Award Food Waste Reduction Category Waste Serve 2014
- Malta Waste Reduction Award Best Practice in Business Category Waste Serve 2014
- Malta Waste Reduction Award Recycling Best Practice Category Waste Serve 2014
- **▶ Green Key Awards –** 2013 2016

