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New ECO RESORT Recognition for Grecotel Hotels & Resorts

Grecotel, the leading Greek hotel chain, has been honoured with yet more awards for Environmental Protection.

The 2010 TUI ECO-RESORT eco-label for quality tourism product respecting local natural and social values has been awarded to:

Grecotel El Greco in Rethymnon, Crete Grecotel Club Marine Palace in Panormo, Crete Grecotel Kalliston in Hania, Crete Grecotel Pella Beach in Hanioti, Halkidiki

The TUI ECO-RESORT seal of quality has been created jointly by TUI Hotels & Resorts and TUI AG Environmental Management. It honours those hotels and clubs in the TUI Hotels & Resorts portfolio that fulfil the basic criteria which have been established.

The environmental management systems of the EcoResorts are audited by independent, accredited specialists and certified in accordance with a recognised national or international environmental standard, such as ISO 14001 (for environmental management).

Since 2007, Grecotel has developed the relevant Management Systems according to ISO 22000 and ISO 14001 which have been certified by TUV Hellas, Certification Body, member of the TUV NORD Group, which is one of Germany's largest technical and Certification Service providers.

ISO 22000 for Health & Safety in Food

- Grecotel Olympia Riviera Resort (Olympia Riviera Thalasso, Olympia Oasis, Mandola Rosa)
- Grecotel Cape Sounio
- Grecotel Eva Palace
- Grecotel Kalliston

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ISO 14001 for Environmental Management

- Grecotel Kalliston
- Whilst Grecotel El Greco and Grecotel Club Marine Palace have been certified since 2007

For the 13th consecutive year, 7 Grecotel hotels received the **TUI Umwelt Champion 2009** (Environment Champion). These awards are presented annually by TUI, the leading worldwide tourism company, to the Top 100 hotels as voted by the guests in conjunction with the TUI quality control department which monitors the eco operations at each hotel.

In 1992, Grecotel became the first Mediterranean hotel group to undertake eco-audits in its hotels according to EU standards and formed an environment and culture department in its head office operations department. It is acknowledged as probably the only resort hotel group worldwide to employ a professional environmentalist. These environmental initiatives, including the formation of an unique agricultural department which supplies biological produce to the hotels, has resulted in the Group being honoured with the most prestigious environmental awards worldwide. Grecotel is now a text-book example in leading tourism schools and universities.

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