Event Sustainability Policy
Valletta 2018 is focused on increasing awareness regarding sustainability and reducing environmental impacts.

As an event organiser working with Valletta 2018, there are certain points to comply with.
LEAVE NO TRACE PHILOSOPHY
Every Valletta 2018 event must leave the event site as clean (if not cleaner) than on arrival.

PACKAGING SHOULD BE REDUCED AT SOURCE
Don't use or promote products that have packaging, and reduce all packaging wherever possible. Leave a legacy with suppliers.

BRING YOUR OWN CONTAINER INITIATIVE
for food and drinks. Vendors must be willing to serve participants in their own drinking bottle/cooler/bowl/plate!
RECYCLING AND COMPOSTING BINS
must be present at every event. The aim is to be zero to landfill, resources are precious and Malta is a small island! “Waste” collection companies must agree to dispose of waste correctly.

COMPOSTABLE DISPOSABLES
All food vendors and bars must only use compostable or paper disposables. All food waste and paper disposables must be added to the compost bins. The compost is to be sent to WasteServ. Use the Food Vendor policy to implement.

CIGARETTE BUTT BINS
to be provided throughout the event sites, portable pocket ashtrays can be handed out as optional.
PROMOTE CONSCIOUS TRANSPORT OPTIONS
Use public transport, shuttle buses, park and ride initiatives, carpooling, cycling or walking.

DRINKING WATER
Dispensers must be used for drinking water wherever possible and water must have an option of being dispensed in refillable containers or compostable disposables. Drinking water in single-use plastic bottles must be discouraged.

BIODEGRADABLE OR ORGANIC WASHING PRODUCTS
Reduce the amount of chemicals you are using, ask vendors and suppliers to do the same.
ALL WASTE WATER SHOULD BE CONTAINED
Grey water should be captured into containers and deposited in agreed sewerage systems.

PORTABLE TOILETS SHOULD USE ECOLOGICAL (ENZYME-BASED) PRODUCTS rather than the traditional, formaldehyde-based chemicals.

REDUCE ENERGY CONSUMPTION
Ask suppliers to use LED lighting wherever possible, look into power sourcing alternatives. Choose low impact materials in procurement.
EMPLOY CLEANERS
To work throughout the event, these can be volunteers, clean ups run by participants of the event or paid workers. A clean floor stays a clean floor.

CONTRIBUTE TO THE COMMUNITY
Give back to the local area in any way you can, source workers locally, buy local, use local goods.

BUILD AWARENESS
Get participants, suppliers, crew, vendors engaged in what you are aiming to achieve. Publish your sustainability policies pre-event, communicate your intentions and initiatives. Use social media, national media, press.
CREATE A LEGACY
Focus on education throughout, create event signage with tips how participants can contribute, make educational boards for the event, employ Ta-Kultura sustainability volunteers to promote your initiatives on site, get participants to share their experiences and leave empowered and inspired. Aim to be the greenest event of Valletta 2018.

REPORT, REVIEW AND SHARE
Announce the events achievements, review systems for improvement and refinement, share your learnings.