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## ***Greetings fellow Caretakers!***

We are happy to announce and launch the plans for CEI 2022 Costa Rica. In this newsletter you will find information about the conference and upcoming pre-conference events that we invite you to participate in.

*Please share this newsletter with all interested schools, fellow teachers, organizations, or others. We also encourage you to share this information with prospective students! If you need official invitation letters, please contact us by email ([alumni0000@gmail.com](mailto:alumni0000@gmail.com))*

## **1. CEI 2022 Basic Information**

The CEI 2022 conference will take place from July 4<sup>th</sup> to July 8<sup>th</sup> <sup>1</sup> hosted by Golden Valley School (GVS) and the Fundación Madre Tierra Verde (MTVFund).

The conference theme is **Water**, with three subthemes:

- a) Water & Environment
- b) Water & Society
- c) Water & Economy

The conference will be fully **hybrid**, so all participants will be given the option to **attend in-person (physically) or online**. Delegations may also have a mixture of physical and online attendees.

- For more information please visit the conference website: <https://www.alumnicei.org/cei-2022>
- You can also read about the CEI 2022 logo on the website, as designed by student host Max
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<sup>1</sup> Participants who attend the conference physically should arrive on July 3<sup>rd</sup> and depart on July 9<sup>th</sup>



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- And don't forget to follow the CEI 2022 Instagram: [https://www.instagram.com/cei\\_costa\\_rica\\_2022/](https://www.instagram.com/cei_costa_rica_2022/)
- Or contact us by email: [cei@gvsstudent.com](mailto:cei@gvsstudent.com) or [alumnicei0000@gmail.com](mailto:alumnicei0000@gmail.com)

To get excited about the conference check out the incredible video made by the student hosts:

[https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=fm0I7zbE4Ds&ab\\_channel=AlumniCeI](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=fm0I7zbE4Ds&ab_channel=AlumniCeI)

**Registration is now open!**

## 2. Project speed-dating & Teacher information session

On **February 19<sup>th</sup>** we will host a project speed-dating session and teacher information session on Zoom. This is your chance to discuss your CEI project or brainstorm ideas, find partners from other countries, schools, organizations, and more! We encourage you to bring all interested students and teachers. The conference organizing team will also answer all your questions about the upcoming conference including travel, COVID regulations, online participation, and more.

The Zoom link, exact time, and more information will be sent out in advance via email, but please **Save the Date** and **get your students to do the same**.

**CEI 2022  
COSTA RICA**

**Project Speed Dating &  
Teacher Information  
Session**

**February 19<sup>th</sup>**  
*Save the Date*

Join your fellow Caretakers on  
Zoom to discuss projects for CEI  
2022. More information to follow!

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SCHOOL**

**CEI Alumni**

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## 3. Young Reporters of the Environment

We also want to encourage any interested students to apply to be a Young Reporter of the Environment in 2022:

**We ask every country to put forward at least one student as a Young Reporter. Registration will close February 14<sup>th</sup>, please have your students apply before then. First meeting will be on February 19<sup>th</sup>.**

The students will be working on a podcast, live vlogging, written articles, contributing to the CEI magazine (the Global Forum) and more; led by our student leader Jimena from Costa Rica and advisors Jana Cox, Andrew Cox and Cindy Leibner. This is an opportunity for interested students to gain new skills and meet international friends before the conference even begins, so please forward this information to your students. All information including the application form can be found here: <https://www.alumnicei.org/young-reporters>

**Young Reporters**

- 15-18 years old with a journalist passion
- Can write in English
- Wants to attend CEI 2022

Responsibilities :

Report on CEI highlights in an interesting way via social media before and during the conference and to assist in the 2022 Global Forum publishing. Looking for candidates that have a mature level of English, a flair for creative writing, an ability to interview, to be social media literate, and to be interested in telling the environmental stories.

For more information head to our website, <https://www.alumnicei.org/young-reporters>

## 4. Project milestones

On the road to CEI 2022, our team has many milestones and steps to make your project easier to plan and to keep to schedule. The first of these is the Project Speed-Dating on February 19<sup>th</sup> quickly followed by the Pre-conference on March 19<sup>th</sup> but there are many more! See the timeline below and add the dates to your project calendar:



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- February 19th = project speed dating session to foster partnerships
- February – March = developing projects
- March 19th = sneak peek from some schools at pre-conference
- March – June = finalizing projects
- March 26th = Workshop: Project Structure 101
- April 23rd = Workshop: projects for development
- May 28th = Workshop: design thinking
- June 25th and 26th = virtual poster exhibition
- July 4-8th = project presentations (in conference)

## 5. Pre and post-conference holidays

If your delegation is interested in visiting parts of Costa Rica before or after the conference week, our expert advisor Nacho can help provide information and advice on this. You can directly email him here: [escorriola@gmail.com](mailto:escorriola@gmail.com)

We are excited to welcome everyone to CEI 2022 in all forms. In these changeable COVID times, we know it will be challenging to make plans for delegations, but we **plan to be flexible and accommodating**, so please start gathering your delegations, encouraging fellow teachers and CEI colleagues, so we can have a well-attended and fun conference together, whether you join us online, in person, or a mixture!

More newsletters will follow with further information, you can always email us at [alumnicei0000@gmail.com](mailto:alumnicei0000@gmail.com) or [cei@gvsstudent.com](mailto:cei@gvsstudent.com).

***Pura Vida!***

***Take care,***

***CEI 2022 Organising Team***