

The European Semantic Web Conference 2009 will take place on Crete, Greece, in the [Royal Knossos Village\\*\\*\\*\\*](#)



### **About the Knossos Royal Village\*\*\*\*\***

On the infinite island of Crete, things come at a different scale. So does the Conference Center of KnossosRoyal Village, which by far surpasses the usual dimensions. Everything here is large: spaces, possibilities, experienceand success of every public event hosted.

The center contains two large halls, tastefully decorated and equipped with state-of-the-art visual, sound and simultaneous translation systems. These halls can host over 900 people and fully cover the needs of large conferences. Moreover, with the use of special soundproof screens, they can turn into eleven smaller, functional spaces, which, combined with the reception - enrollment area and welcoming lobby, correspond even to the strictest meeting requirements.

Given the unique flexibility of the available spaces, the Knossos Royal Village Conference Center can host any event – congresses, conferences, seminars, corporate presentations, incentives and business meetings – and guarantee its absolute success thanks to the hotel’s beautiful public spaces; the suites and luxurious rooms; the rare amenities provided; the famous Cretan cuisine; and a great tradition in organizing successful receptions, galas, cocktails and all kinds of social events.

### **About Crete**

Crete is the largest of all the Greek islands. With a total surface of 8,336 sq m it has 1,100 km of coastline and approximately 600,000 inhabitants. Crete is also considered to be one of the most prosperous areas in Greece. Development on the island has been favoured by its geographical location, climate and diverse natural beauty, as well as, its unique cultural and historical heritage. Crete is renowned for its breath-taking mountain ranges and long sandy beaches that take you right down to its deep-blue seas.

The climate and geography of Crete provide for many different species of wild-life. Over 100 different sorts of flowers and plants can be found: in the high mountains and the thirteen deep gorges on the island (the best known of which is Samaria gorge). Visitors may encounter interesting flora and fauna in its valleys and semi-mountainous areas, including the rare species of wild goat called the kri - kri, unique to this area. Crete is noted for its geographical diversity, which ranges from numerous small surrounding islands to splendid plateaus like Lassithi, with its eye-catching windmills.

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