CEER members of staff leave an impact at the 2\textsuperscript{nd} World Symposium on Sustainable Development at Universities (WSSD-U-2014)

Malta featured strongly and successfully at the WSSD–U-2014 with all four members of staff as well as an Ekoskola teacher giving presentations to a world audience on research and activities carried out at CEER. The three day event held in September 2014 was jointly organised by the Hamburg University of Applied Sciences and Manchester Metropolitan University. It was attended by more than 200 participants from 31 countries, with over 120 presentations. The World Symposium focussed on transformative approaches to sustainable development across disciplines. The papers presented by CEER at the World Symposium are in print for publication as book chapters by Springer-Verlag.

In his plenary presentation: \textit{University students’ perspectives about development: are we putting new wine into old wineskins?}, CEER Director, Prof Paul Pace, highlighted concerns related to education for sustainable development at university level.

Dr. Mark Mifsud’s presentation: \textit{Student perceptions on the first masters in education for sustainable development in Malta}, beat off stiff competition from over 120 presentations and was awarded the prestigious 2\textsuperscript{nd} place for Best Paper Award. Dr. Mark Mifsud also co-presented another paper with Mrs. Cynthia Caruana, an Ekoskola teacher: \textit{Reinforcing sustainable development in schools in Malta: a potential approach by the University Of Malta to meet the country’s sustainable development challenges}.

Dr. Vince Carauana delivered his paper: \textit{Civic action for sustainable futures: what role for adult environmental education?} which was followed by a highly animated debate amongst the audience. Whilst Ms. Alexandra Mifsud presented her preliminary findings of her doctoral research: \textit{Developing action strategies for sustainable living amongst employees}.

The attendance of CEER at the WSSD-U-2014 provided excellent opportunities for showcasing the work undertaken by CEER at the University of Malta as well as networking possibilities for future collaboration with other academic institutions worldwide.
CEER Director Prof. P. Pace, CEER members of staff: Dr. M. Mifsud, Dr. V. Caruana, Ms. A Mifsud and Ekoskola teacher Mrs. C. Caruana with Prof. Walter Leal (3rd from right) at Manchester Metropolitan University.

Dr. Mark Mifsud receiving the award from Prof. Walter Leal.