Submission from Cyprus

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"Cyprus promoted public awareness of the environmental effects of emissions of ozone depleting substances with several seminars and meetings with the relevant refrigeration technicians.

Furthermore the Environment Service, as the Competent Authority for implementing the Protocol has prepared information leaflets which have been distributed to both professionals and the general public. Also the Ozzy Ozone film as been subtitled and together with the two cartoons Ozzy Flies High and Ozzy Goes Polar, which have been translated to Greek and reprinted, were distributed to schools during the biannual fair of the Ministry.

Unfortunately due to the small size of Cyprus and its technological capacity no research has been carried out in replacing Ozone Depleting Substances. I need to note however that Methyl Bromide has been completely banned in Cyprus since 2004."