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| **C.2. Partner Organisation** | |
| **PIC:** | **947101405** |
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| **Full legal name (in national language ):** | **ΟΜΙΛΟΣ ΓΙΑ ΤΗΝ ΕΠΙΧΕΙΡΗΜΑΤΙΚΟΤΗΤΑ ΚΑΙ**  **ΤΗΝ ΚΟΙΝΩΝΙΚΗ ΟΙΚΟΝΟΜΙΑ** |
| **Full legal name (Latin characters):** | **ENTREPRENEURSHIP AND SOCIAL ECONOMY GROUP** |
| **Acronym:** | **EKO** |
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| **C.2.1.Profile** | |
| **Type of Organisation:** | **Non-profit / Non-governmental organisation (NFP- NGO)** |
| **Is the partner organisation a public body?** | **No** |
| **Is the partner organisation a non-profit?** | **Yes** |

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| **C.2.2. Accreditation**  Has the organisation received any type of accreditation before submitting this application? | |
| **Accreditation Type** | **Accreditation reference** |
| **EVS Accreditation** | **2018-1-EL02-KA110-003854** |
| **ESC Quality Label (Supporting and Hosting)** | **2020-1-EL02-ESC52-006831** |
| **EKO has also been accredited as an election observer for the Egyptian elections/referenda** | |

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| **C.2.3. Background and Experience** |
| **Please briefly present the partner organization (e.g. its type, size, scope of work, areas of specific expertise, specificsocial context and, if relevant, the quality system used):** |
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EKO, the Entrepreneurship and Social Economy Group, is a non-profit organisation seated in Athens, Greece, established in 2013, operating at a local and European level, with youth as its main target group.

EKO`s primary mission is to contribute to the creation of an inclusive society, free from prejudice and discrimination, which will be in the position to develop and grow sustainably. Particularly within Greece, its major concerns refer to the challenges of:

1. youth and women unemployment and economic obstacles as a result of the economic crisis of the last decade and the recent Covid-19 health crisis;
2. the xenophobic attitudes, cultural intolerance and exclusion created by the migration crisis;
3. the need to achieve greater participation of individuals and the young generation to political and social life at a national and European level, as well as
4. multiple environmental issues which affect sustainable development at a local, national and international level

# To achieve this mission EKO focuses on the following specific objectives:

1. Empowering youth and vulnerable social groups through non-formal education, youth work, and life-long learning, as well as through the promotion of youth and female entrepreneurship and innovation
2. Facilitating intercultural and interreligious awareness and solidarity, especially within Greece and Europe, as well as between Europe and MENA, by providing dialogue platforms, organizing cultural exchanges and tolerance trainings
3. Fostering active participation and civic engagement of young people, and assisting them to address novel challenges and become agents of change in their local communities
4. Actively supporting the UN Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) and environmental causes, and promoting green growth and sustainable social and economic models
5. Strengthening cross-border civil society, through knowledge transfer and sharing of good practices, as well as through collaborative initiatives with its broad network of international partners

EKO’s team consists of experienced youth workers and a culturally diverse and constantly renewed group of young volunteers, through European Programs (ESC, EYE), while the Board Members are experienced psychologists, educators, entrepreneurs, who provide services to youth, schools, universities and institutions, chambers of commerce and industry, ministries of education, culture and labor, syndicates and related associations. Currently, EKO has 4 permanent staff members, 2 members employed on project basis, as well as 3 volunteers.

Over the years EKO has built an extended network of more than 100 partners across Europe, the Euromed basin, Africa, Asia and the Middle East. It is the founding member of the Euromed Network of Youth Organizations (Y-NEMO), as well as a founding member of the International Alliance for

Peace and Development (IAPD) with members in European and MENA countries. EKO also supports the Observatory to Prevent Extremist Violence (OPEV) contributing constructively to prevent and combat violent extremism, as well as YouthProAktiv, an international coalition of 35 youth organizations, which aims to create a generation of proactive individuals ready to invest their talents for the betterment of society by starting their own business and creating jobs for themselves and others.

Moreover, EKO is an active member of the network of the Anna Lindh Foundation and is honored to display the logo of the European Year of Cultural Heritage (EYCH) for two implemented Erasmus+ youth mobility projects.

At a local level, EKO maintains a special collaboration with local public bodies and municipalities in broader Athens, local Universities, Foundations working with children and youth from vulnerable socioeconomic backgrounds, Adult Education providers, as well as Art and Theater Tutors, constantly expands its network of partners and collaborations in Greece and operates a Youth Club with active members organized in local youth groups. In addition, EKO collaborates with Greek organizations in remote areas to reach out to target groups of the local societies for the promotion of equal opportunities and social inclusion.

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| **What are the activities and experience of the partner organization in the areas relevant for this project?** |
| Max. 4000 characters: *select the most relevant field to your project out of the 4 main pillars of EKO’s activity, i.e.:*   1. ***Youth empowerment, & Social Inclusion: 21st Century Skills through Non-Formal Education*** 2. ***Intercultural Dialogue & Human Rights*** 3. ***Promotion of youth & women entrepreneurship and innovation*** 4. ***Sustainable Development & Green Growth*** |

EKO’s team has experience in the management and coordination of national and international projects and initiatives, including quality assurance, dissemination and sustainability planning. Our members have diverse expertise, which they utilize in conducting research, developing intellectual products and implementing trainings, on the basis of each project’s needs.

# Youth Empowerment & Social Inclusion: 21st Century Skills through Non-Formal Education

EKO designs and implements a variety of NFE activities, and trainings for youth participation, empowering vulnerable youth and boosting youth employability. Our relevant activities are:

* + - Coordination of Youth Mobilities & Structured Dialogue events, under Erasmus+ and other European programs
    - Operation of a Youth Club open to all interested youngsters, in the context of which we provide workshops for the enhancement of key transferrable skills (communication, cooperation, creativity, intercultural and digital skills), while also providing support to youth groups in developing their own initiatives and local activities
    - Organization of Info-Days open to young people on opportunities offered by the Erasmus+ umbrella, in collaboration with local Universities (NKUA, UNIWA, AUEB)
    - Organization of seminars and workshops for informal youth groups and newcoming organizations on proposal writing and management skills
    - Educational/cultural projects with Greek and International Foundations for the support and

inclusion of orphans and children /youngsters with special socio-economic needs or fewer opportunities

* + - Participation in the Sessions of the United Nations where EKO’s members work as presenters, panelists and chairs of several side events on Human Rights Council Sessions.

Our relevant ongoing projects include, among others:

* **“ERMIScom”:** An Erasmus+ KA203 project with a partnership among 5 European Universities and 1 NGO (EKO) that aspires to develop a common Master curriculum among the involved HEIs, which will enhance the efficacy of media studies to counter fake news and hate speech spread on New Media and, thereby, facilitate the social integration and inclusion of vulnerable social groups.
* **“VOYCE”:** A KA3-EYT project, with a partnership of 9 European countries, will put young people in the driver’s seat and give them the tools to learn how to present their ideas and represent their positions on various social issues (education & training, employment & labour rights, environment & sustainable consumption, smart mobility, democracy & equality) in front of institutions or any kind of public. This goal will be achieved through a series of youth-oriented activities & specifically local working groups of young people in all partner countries, a social Hackathon, a co-creation process of various projects by the young people with the support of youth workers and experts and a crowdfunding to support the best ideas.
* **“JOUR-YOU”:** Citizen Journalism Academy for Youth is an Erasmus+ KA2 Capacity Building for Youth project that will develop a series of educational materials (Online Course on Citizen Journalism, Guide on Citizen journalism with best practices, Training toolkit on media literacy for youth workers) and test them through a range of learning events (international & local trainings, international competition, youth conference) aiming to improve the knowledge and capacity of youth organisations to promote media literacy, digital skills and citizen journalism among young people as a way for enhancing community engagement and active participation in the democratic life of their communities.
* **“PEC: Podcast Employ Yourself”:** An Erasmus+ KA220 project that aims to face the challenge posed by the high rate of youth unemployment in the project's partner countries (Spain, Greece, Italy and Croatia), as well as to highlight the importance of European cultural heritage, to value it, preserve it and spread it. The project will promote knowledge among young people about employment and entrepreneurship opportunities in the cultural sector, through interviews with people active in the field (historians, archaeologists, anthropologists, museum directors, tourist guides etc) in video format and through recording of a podcast program that will be made available to the public.

# Intercultural Dialogue & Human Rights

EKO designs and implements a variety of local & international advocacy and awareness events, as well as educational activities for the promotion of peace and intercultural dialogue & solidarity, such as:

* Implementation of awareness Campaigns and Community Events for combating xenophobia and racism, promoting intercultural awareness, social inclusion, conflict resolution and peace
* Youth exchange and transnational dialogue projects bringing together youth from different backgrounds and from areas in conflict
* Active contribution to the Observatory to Prevent Extremist Violence (OPEV) international network, via organization of conferences and events related to peacebuilding and countering hate speech and violent extremism
* Implementation of local workshops on Human Rights, combating discrimination and fostering intercultural awareness and understanding diversity, in the context of EKO’s Youth Club in collaboration with Greek CSOs
* Development of education material and tools for youth workers, so as to integrate specialized intercultural competences training approaches in their daily work with youth
* Volunteering activities as sending, hosting and coordinating partner (ESC) and as a hosting organization (EYE, Leonardo, KEK placements etc)

Our experience relevant to intercultural competences, dialogue and solidarity includes, among others, the following projects and activities:

* + **“Breaking Walls, Building Bridges”** – YE for 40 young participants from 4 countries characterized by ongoing tensions in their relations: Armenia, Cyprus, Greece and Turkey. The project aimed to provide a communication platform for young people, who otherwise lacked the opportunity to get in direct contact with each, guide them through the principles of effective intercultural and interreligious dialogue and contribute to their breaking of stereotypes, developing multicultural competences & cultivating a strong sense of solidarity.
  + **“Peacemakers: Through your world I see mine”**: An international Photo Contest open to young people from all over the world, organized by EKO, under the auspices of the International Alliance for Peace and Development (IAPD), which raised awareness on the role of civil society and youth in securing solidarity among nations and promoted a culture of peace through art. The best 30 photos were displayed in a Photo Exhibition in Athens, attended by an international audience from 7 different countries. The same photos were later exposed in Geneva in front of the broken Chair in a peaceful intervention of IAPD and EKO in front of the United Nations.
  + **“Pathways to Gender-Based Violence Prevention”:** A CBY-ACPALA project that aims to strengthen the capacities of youth workers in meeting the learning needs and knowledge gaps among GBV survivors and offenders, and support youth workers in creating learning opportunities that empower youth to become active agents of GBV prevention.
  + **“Intercultural Action Competence Tool” -** An Erasmus+ KA205 project, with a partnership of 6 European countries, that aims to mainstream recognition of acquired intercultural competences through youth work and non-formal education by developing a complete collection of tools organized around a web-based app that will both teach and validate learning of Intercultural Action Competences (IAC)
  + **“Active Preventers and Active Bystanders: Preventing Gender Based Violence in the life of young people” –** An Active Citizens Fund project that aims to strengthen the role of the community in the prevention of gender-based violence (GBV) among adolescents and young adults (15-26 years old) that takes place at school and at the University, by combating the passive and silent complacency on the part of witnesses of GBV incidents. To achieve this goal, educational material will be developed and educational activities will be provided to the Project’s special target groups (education professionals, youth workers, social workers, parents and peer-groups), tailored to the learning needs of each group after relevant needs assessment. In addition, an awareness raising campaign and a series of youth-led local actions will be carried out.

# Promotion of youth & women entrepreneurship and innovation

EKO collaborates with players in the social economy sector to promote sustainable social and economic models in the society at a national and European level, and enhance entrepreneurial skills and attitudes in young people, women and vulnerable groups. Our relevant activities are:

* + - Development of and participation in Strategic partnership projects in the Erasmus+ framework that aim to enhance different facets of entrepreneurial skills and attitudes in young people, women and vulnerable groups
    - Local non-formal education workshops in the context of EKO’s Youth Club operation focusing on leadership and entrepreneurial skills
    - Mentoring of entrepreneurs in crisis (in the context of “Early Warning” EU Project)
    - Participation in Prince's Trust International Entrepreneurship Program for youth, which offers an introductory interactive Seminar (Explore enterprise course) & professional guidance/counseling for the development of a Business idea into a business plan.

Our relevant ongoing projects include, among others:

* **"Youth Finance Academy":** An Erasmus+ KA205 project that aims to develop innovative education tools that can equip young people and young entrepreneurs with the know-how and competences necessary for them to make sound financial decisions at a personal and professional level, to create their own livelihoods, and to become empowered, financially literate economic citizens.
* **"Transforming COVID-19 into an opportunity":** An Erasmus+ KA227 project aiming at reinforcing creative solutions to unemployment rates provoked by COVID-19 and enabling collaborations between the youth- and the business sector for inclusive digital job creation, in accordance with the demands of our increasingly data-driven world, by supporting young people develop digital entrepreneurial activities in the cultural sector.
* **"START-U":** An Erasmus+ KA205 project that encourages entrepreneurship and social innovation as a solution for equal opportunities, social inclusion and improving youth employability, and that will lead to the development of a guide of good practices (Booklet & E-Book), which can be generalized and applied to different contexts, allowing the improvement of the quality of the youth sector in the fields of social entrepreneurship and social innovation.
* **"YETC":** Young Entrepreneurs in Time of Crisis is an Erasmus+ KA205 project that aims to facilitate youth activism and to create an entrepreneurial mindset through networking, sharing best practices and developing innovative NIFL tools. The project results (IO1 Action Plan, IO2 Inspirational Guide, IO3 Online Toolkit) will help young people overcome the uncertainty caused by the unstable socio-economic situation across Europe and create a positive value by filling the gaps and promoting new entrepreneurial endeavours.
* **"STEP-UP”:** An Erasmus+ KA220 project that aims at offering migrant women the opportunity to gradually increase a wide range of transferrable skills (communication skills, team working, confidence, ability for innovation, sustainability thinking etc), while raising their awareness on the importance of lifelong learning possibilities. In the context of STEP-UP, partners will develop high-quality practical resources (interactive resources, assessment tools, trainers manual) to be used by adult education organizations, employment services, and other organizations offering upskilling programs in line with the Europe 2020 Strategy.

# Sustainable Development & Green Growth

Green Growth has been a central concept of interest of EKO for the last 3 years, since it first entered the partnership of the project “Sustainability through Cross-Border Circular Economy”. Our activities relevant to sustainable development & green growth include:

* + - Activation of local youth groups for the design and implementation of local youth-led initiatives aiming to enhance ecological awareness and promote sustainable lifestyles, green growth, and smart solutions to environmental pressures
    - Designing, Organizing and implementing of international exchange programs aiming to cultivate young people’s ecological awareness and commitment to act against the environmentally harmful growth model and habits of our societies.
    - Development of educational material and manuals addressed to youth and relevant

stakeholders with recommendations on aligning individual choices and lifestyle with sustainable development principles (Zero Waste, Circular Economy, Ecosystem Conservation etc)

* + - Liaising with relevant stakeholders, and public authorities involved in Circular Economy research, pilot projects and business innovations in Greece, e.g. Halandri Municipality, DRAXIS Environmental Technologies Company, National Technical University of Athens etc
    - Mobilizing efforts through networking and support of various UN bodies, by attending and actively contributing to side-events organized in the sidelines Human Rights Council Sessions of the United Nations in Geneva, on topics related to the Sustainable Development Goals

Our experience relevant to sustainability issues includes the following projects:

* **“Sustainability through Cross-Border Circular Economy” (SCRCE)**: An Erasmus+ KA204 project with a partnership of 4 countries (Germany, Greece, Italy, Sweden), and EKO as a partner organization. SCRCE focused on challenges, best practices and education approaches relevant to the transition from the traditional Linear to a Circular Economy.
* **“#Greenfluencers”:** An Erasmus+ KA205 project that focuses on sustainable resource management, zero waste and green economy, and supports young people become agents of change for a greener future, through activation of local youth groups and through the exchange of good practices among organizations that work directly with youth.
* **"YOUng Women grEen ENtrepreneurs"**: An Erasmus+ KA205 project in which EKO collaborates with the Greek NGO IASIS, wherein our trainers support young women, who live in remote areas, to realize rural development grass-roots initiatives and to develop entrepreneurial sustainable ideas and actions in their local communities.
* **“Youth ECOnnection”**: An ESC Solidarity Project in the context of which a group of young people organized and implemented a series of local actions (clean-ups of different city neighbourhoods, swap-market of second hand goods, mapping of sustainable businesses in Athens, Green walks, zero-waste recipe challenges, documentary on Athen’s gravest environmental problems etc) with the aim to raise awareness among their peers about common habits that they could change to become more ecologically responsible, as well as to mobilize youth of the local community to take an active role in promoting sustainability.
* **“Environmental Protection Unites Generations**”: A small scale KA2 project with the main objective to develop competencies and exchange experiences of the educational staff of the participating organizations with respect to the methods and tools used in environmental education on the one hand, and in the education of seniors on the other.
* **“Youth SDG Work”:** A small scale KA2 project aiming to increase young peoples’ understanding on topics such as sustainability, climate change, circular economy and their influence as consumers, as well as to ensure that young people’s voices are taken into consideration in the public discourse. To achieve this goal the project will provide climate education workshops and conferences to young people (YP), as well as support to them to prepare policy recommendations that they will present and discuss with local authorities.
* **‘’ECOROUTES’’ -** An Erasmus + KA220-YOU - Cooperation partnership in youth which aims to fight against climate change, to strengthen the employability of young people, and to address digital transformation. By fostering sustainable tourism activities, ECOROUTES seeks to create job opportunities for young people in the thriving tourism sector. The project educates young individuals about Europe’s rich cultural and natural heritage, emphasizing its role in youth employment and responsible citizenship. ECOROUTES inspires young people to appreciate and safeguard their heritage for future generations.
* **‘’EcoReactEu: Addressing Eco-Anxiety in Europe through Education and Action’’ –** Eco-anxiety is a subject that is currently little explored in European educational practice. Knowledge of the subject is limited, and educational policies are almost non-existent to support it. EcoReactEU aims to ensure the skills development of youth workers and the entire European educational community, to promote the integration of eco-anxiety in their practices with young people and thus offer a first educational response to it. The project also aspires to encourage public policies to make eco-anxiety a major issue for consideration in national and European youth and educational policies.
* **‘’** **YOUng Changemakers for Circular Local Economy: YOU-CYCLE’’ –** A 30-month initiative funded under Erasmus+ KA220-YOU, focusing on cooperation partnerships in youth. The project aims to explore and implement social entrepreneurship as a tool for the green transition among disadvantaged young people. The key objectives include learning and disseminating best practices in using social entrepreneurship for the green transition, creating an international community to support a circular economy, and developing an online platform.
* **‘’ PRO(F)LITERACY 2.0’’ –** An Erasmus+ KA220-YOU that facilitates the transition to independent living and provide young people with the necessary competencies to prevent and/or combat poverty and/or social exclusion phenomena, thus arises the motivation to implement this project, which will contribute in a broad way to this investment in young people.

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| **What are the activities and experience of the organization in youth work? Please provide information on your**  **organization’s / group’s regular youth work activities**. |
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EKO implements a wide range of youth-work activities aiming to serve key needs & aspirations of young people, to empower young people at a personal, social & professional level and foster an attitude of active, interculturally competent, and socially & environmentally responsible citizenship.

At the European level, our organization has planned and implemented multiple Erasmus+ Youth Mobility Programs, as the coordinating partner, involving many partners and youth from Europe, MENA and neighboring countries on various fields of interest related to the objectives of its statutes:

* ["Communication Bridges for Young People"](https://ekogreece.com/our-projects/communication-bridges-for-young-people/) with GR, TR, IT, PL, BG, EG &HR.
* [“Deconstructing Migration in the Mediterranean”](https://ekogreece.com/our-projects/deconstructing-migration-in-the-mediterranean/) with IT, TR & GR.
* [“Solidarity for the Environment”](https://ekogreece.com/our-projects/solen-solidarity-for-the-environment/) with GR, IT, BG, HR, TR, EG, AT, ESP, and JOR.
* [“EuroMed Network of Civil Society Youth”](https://ekogreece.com/our-projects/euromed-network-of-civil-society-youth/) with GR, BG, HR, EG, JOR, IT, PL, RO, ESP, Tunisia and TR.
* [“Olympic Spirit for Peacebuilding”](https://ekogreece.com/our-projects/olympic-spirit-for-peacebuilding/) involving young people from GR, EE, MT, IL, IT, CZ, RU and TR.
* [“Globalization vs. Cultural Diversity”,](https://ekogreece.com/our-projects/globalization-vs-cultural-diversity/) which took place in Athens in April 2018 with participants from 8 different countries (GR, IT, ESP, LIT, CZ, AT, PL, and TR)
* [“COUNTERING VIOLENT EXTREMISM”,](https://ekogreece.com/our-projects/countering-violent-extremism-cv-ex/) involving 42 young people from 7 different countries GR, ESP, TR, JOR, EG, TN and IT).
* [“GREEN CITIES”](https://ekogreece.com/our-projects/green-cities/) involving 62 young people from eight (8) different countries: EG, GE, GR, IT, JOR, HR, TR, UK.
* [“Europe United: Facing challenges reinforcing Solidarity”,](https://ekogreece.com/our-projects-europe-united-facing-challenges-reinforcing-solidarity/) involving 50 young participants from 7 countries (GR, LIT, IT, EE, ESP, PL, DE)

Moreover, EKO has participated as a sending partner in over 100 Erasmus+ Youth Mobility projects in the context of promoting intercultural exchanges, solidarity and peace, human rights, sustainable development and active citizenship, sharing its know-how on tools and methods of non-formal education and life- long learning.

On the basis of our extensive experience in KA1 Erasmus+ projects design and coordination, in 2019, EKO was invited by the Greek National Agency to present best practices for project planning and implementation, as well as innovative non-formal education approaches to members of organizations or informal youth groups new to Erasmus+ in the context of the [annual TCA Seminar](https://ekogreece.com/eko-invited-to-present-erasmus-best-practices/).

At a local level, EKO operates a Youth Club open to all interested youngsters, in the context of which we organize non-formal education workshops aiming to enhance key transferrable skills and competences of young people (communication, cooperation, creativity, intercultural and digital skills), and foster an attitude of active participation, while also providing support to youth groups in developing their own initiatives and local activities in order to help them become competent multipliers and agents of positive social change.

Other relevant youth-work activities of our NGO include:

* + Organization of Info-Days open to young people on opportunities offered by the Erasmus+ umbrella, in collaboration with local Universities (NKUA, UNIWA, AUEB)
  + Organization of seminars and workshops for informal youth groups and newcoming organizations on proposal writing and management skills
  + Development of on-line workshops and informational material on non-formal education, life- long learning, intercultural dialogue, environmental awareness and other subjects aiming to empower youth and enhance participatory approach through civil society actions
  + Participation in Volunteer Exchange and Vocational Training programs (EVS, Leonardo, KEK placements, Erasmus for Young Entrepreneurs)
  + Promotion, awareness and active engagement activities in the European Youth Week, Erasmus+ Days, EU Green Week and other initiatives in collaboration with local schools, Foundations and NGOs
  + Implementing educational/cultural projects with European Foundations for the support and inclusion of their school children and youngsters with special socio-economic needs, poor family conditions and orphans in collaboration with the Greek Foundation Hatzinkosta.

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| **What are the skills and/or expertise of key persons involved in this project?** | |
| **Name of board /staff member** | ***Summary of relevant skills and experience*** |
| **Kyriaki (Kitty) Panourgia, PhD** | **President of EKO - Education Specialist and Entrepreneur**  Kitty Panourgia is a social scientist and female entrepreneur, with studies in the field of educational and cultural planning and organization in the context of regional development. She holds an M.Ed from the University of Manchester-UK, and a PhD from the University of Geneva-CH. She has worked as a consultant and evaluator mainly for central and local government bodies in Greece (i.e. Ministry of Education, of Labor, of Health etc.). Furthermore, she is an expert in events management, being involved in the organization and management of academic International conferences mainly in the field of Intelligent Systems. As an educational expert she plans and organizes educational/cultural projects for different target groups, such as school-kids, youngsters, families, civil society organizations, etc. For many years she held and been still holding important positions in different Bodies, Organizations and Associations such as the Women’s Organization of Managers and Entrepreneurs, and general secretary of University of Manchester Alumni Association Greece. In addition, she holds the honorary title of a European Ambassador of female entrepreneurship, in the context of which she has worked as a mentor in Greece, Europe and elsewhere to encourage different target groups to get involved in Entrepreneurship. Last but not leases she is an accredited mentor in the context of the European “Early warning” program for mentoring and supporting Entrepreneurs in Crisis.  Since 2014 she has been working in the planning and implementation of several nonformal educational project in the context of European funds, mainly Erasmus, holding the lead position of the President in EKO’s administrative board. She is in charge of the vision and mission of EKO as one of the most active, reliable and successful Organizations representing the civil society in Greece and delivering high quality work, published on European platforms and praised by several educational Agents, Organizations and Bodies. Her tasks comprise the overall management of EKO, the planning and monitoring of its various projects, as well as the maintenance and continuous expansion of an important network of partners in European and worldwide |
| **Natalia Kakourou** | **Project Manager & HR responsible**  Natalia Kakourou holds a Bachelor degree in Philosophy, Pedagogy and Psychology (National and Kapodistrian University of Athens) and a Master’s degree in Human Resource Management (Athens University of Economics and Business. Regarding her extended education, she has been certified in adult education, in creative writing and in teaching English as a foreign language. She has worked in the field of Conference organization and Events Management for several years and she has an accumulated experience in dissemination activities.  Currently she works in EKO as a project manager with duties including the coordination of KA1 mobilities, the monitoring of several large-scale projects (Erasmus KA2 and KA3, ACF) and the development of a range of intellectual outputs. She is also in charge of exploring new venues for enriching EKO’s team with interns and volunteers, of training new members and of managing the organization’s team dynamics. |

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| **George Fligkos** | **Project Manager, Youth Worker & Public Relations Expert**  Goerge Fligkos works in EKO as a Project Manager, team leader and Principal Assistant of the President. He has accumulated experience as a youth worker. He is also involved in the full project-lifecycle management (proposal, preparation, implementation, follow-up and reporting), as the coordinator, in several Youth Mobility projects.  Currently, she is in charge of several Erasmus+ KA2 & KA3 projects, with tasks including project planning, preparation, implementation and coordination, course content creation. He has participated in a plethora of youth workers trainings and in the planning and facilitation of several non-formal education activities in the context of a long-series of workshops and events funded by Erasmus+. In parallel, he is in charge of promoting the public relations of EKO with the partners, members, participants, friends and anybody interested in EKO`s work and projects. |
| **Aggeliki Marinou** | **Researcher & Project Manager**  Aggeliki Marinou currently collaborates with EKO as a Researcher, in charge of international projects’ design and of developing various intellectual outputs and needs analyses. She holds a bachelor degree in Sociology and a Master degree in Media & Refugee/Migration Flows. She has also attended annual training programmes on both “Sociology and Psychology of Health” and “Intercultural Education and Diversity”. Her main interests are related to European projects that focus on the integration of vulnerable social groups of people as well as the environmental awareness. She has also a long experience participating in many European projects, including an ESC  volunteering program for 1 year in Italy. |
| **Isaak Tselepis** | **Web-technician**  Isaak Tselepis holds a PhD in Electrical and Computer Engineering, from the Democritus University of Thrace, and works as the Lead Full Stack Developer at Verlabs company. In parallel he is active as an IT Freelancer providing System and Network Design, Setup, Administration and Maintenance, Web-based Applications / Websites, Software Development and Systems and Network Security. He has long experience as a teacher for students of Hellenic Open University on Information Technology, and as a tutor in a private learning institution on Mathematics, Physics  and Software development. |

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List of projects for which the organization has received funding

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| **EU**  **Program** | **Year** | **Project Identification or Contract Number** | **Project Title** | **Applicant/ Beneficiary**  **Name** |
| KA 1 –  Erasmus + | 2016 | 2016-2-EL02- KA105-  002587 | Communication Bridges for Young People | Entrepreneurship  And Social Economy Group |
| KA 1 –  Erasmus + | 2016 | 2016-2-EL02- KA105-  002605 | Deconstructing Migration in the Mediterranean- DEMI | Entrepreneurship And Social Economy Group |
| KA 1 –  Erasmus + | 2016 | 2016-3-EL02- KA105-  002709 | Solidarity for the Environment - SOLEN | Entrepreneurship  And Social Economy Group |
| KA 1 –  Erasmus + | 2016 | 2016-3-EL02- KA105-  002711 | EuroMed Network of Civil Society Youth | Entrepreneurship  And Social Economy Group |
| KA 1 –  Erasmus + | 2017 | 2017-2-EL02- KA105-  003382 | Globalization vs.  Cultural Diversity - GCD | Entrepreneurship  And Social Economy Group |
| KA 1 –  Erasmus + | 2017 | 2017-2-EL02- KA105-  003326 | Olympic Spirit for Peace- Building | Entrepreneurship And Social Economy Group |
| KA 1 –  Erasmus + | 2017 | 2017-1-TR01- KA105-  038933 | Peace through Democracy | European Cooperative Youth Network |
| KA1-  Erasmus+ | 2017 | 2017-3-EL02- KA105-  0037247 | Countering Violent Extremism – CV-EX | Entrepreneurship And Social Economy Group |
| KA1-  Erasmus+ | 2018 | 2018-1-EL02- KA105-  003805 | Green Cities | Entrepreneurship  And Social Economy Group |
| KA1-  Erasmus+ | 2018 | 2018-3-EL02- KA105-  004496 | Europe United: Facing  Challenges, Reinforcing Solidarity | Entrepreneurship  And Social Economy Group |
| KA1-  Erasmus+ | 2018 | 2018-3-EL02- KA105-  004485 | Breaking Walls, Building Bridges - BWBB | Entrepreneurship And Social Economy Group |
| KA1-  Erasmus+ | 2018 | 2018-1-AT02- KA105-  002047 | Path To Success | Political And Social Research Institute Of Europe |
| KA2-  Erasmus+ | 2018 | 2018-1-DE02- KA204-  005230 | Sustainability through Cross-Border Circular Economy  (SCRCE) | Dr. Ludwig Intelligent Projects Gmbh |

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| European  Solidarity Corps | 2019 | 2019-1-EL02- ESC11-  004841 | Solidarity Through Environmental Education | Entrepreneurship  And Social Economy Group |
| European  Solidarity Corps | 2019 | 2019-2-EL02- ESC11-  004996 | Solidarity with European Islands | Entrepreneurship  And Social Economy Group |
| KA3-  Erasmus+ | 2019 | 2019-1-DK01- KA347- 060095 | Youth Voice: We Are Shapers, Not Listeners | Crossing Borders |
| KA1-  Erasmus+ | 2019 | 2019-1-ES02- KA105-  012856 | LUSCO FUSCO | Sustinea |
| KA1-  Erasmus+ | 2019 | 2019-1-TR01- KA105-  073591 | Solid-ART-ity | Towards Universal And Non-Formal Activities |
| KA1-  Erasmus+ | 2019 | 2019-2-DE04- KA105- 018304 | Creative Tribe | Iyg: 018304-  Org- 00001 |
| KA1-  Erasmus+ | 2019 | 2019-2-IT03- KA105-  016742 | MANAS - Music And Nature Around the Sound | New Horizons |
| KA1-  Erasmus+ | 2019 | 2019-2-MT01- KA105- 051287 | Social Media, a  key tool for social workers | Cross Culture  International Foundation - Ccif |
| KA1-  Erasmus+ | 2019 | 2019-2-SI02- KA105-  015146 | United in diversity | Mladinsko Drustvo Moja Sobota |
| KA3-  Erasmus+ | 2019 | 2019-3-EL02- KA347-  005255 | Youth Voices Matter (Y- MOVE) | Entrepreneurship And Social Economy Group |
| KA2 - CBY- ACPALA | 2019 | 608413-EPP-  1-2019-1-NO- EPPKA2- CBY- ACPALA | Pathways to Empowerment in Gender-Based Violence Prevention (GBVP) | Terram Pacis |
| European Solidarity Corps | 2019 | 2019-3-EL02- ESC11-  005316 | The International School of Opportunity and Change | Entrepreneurship And Social Economy Group |
| European Solidarity Corps | 2020 | 2020-1-EL02-ESC11-  005663 | SOS - A home for every child | Entrepreneurship And Social Economy Group |
| KA3-  Erasmus+ | 2020 | 2020-2-EL02-KA347-  006079 | Fostering Solidarity through Education | Entrepreneurship And Social Economy Group |

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| KA203  Erasmus+ – Strategic partnerships for Higher Education | 2020 | 2020-1-EL01-KA203-  078981 | Common curricula for diversity: education in media and integration of vulnerable groups | National Kapodistrian University Of Athens (NKUA) |
| KA1-  Erasmus+ | 2020 | 2020-1-IT03-KA105-  017844 | Let's Create a Local Impact: Re- use and Recycle Developing Creativity | Associazione Elios |
| KA1-  Erasmus+ | 2020 | 2020-1-LV02-KA105-  003026 | Reality of youth work | World-Our Home |
| KA1-  Erasmus+ | 2020 | 2020-1-BG01-KA105-  078884 | Youth democratic voice of future leaders! | Young, Active, Creative Ngo |
| KA1-  Erasmus+ | 2020 | 2020-2-NL02-KA105-  003062 | Human Equality and Rights | Stichting Yeuth |
| KA1-  Erasmus+ | 2020 | 2020-1-BG01-KA105-  078385 | Storify Your Mission for Impact! Youth Worker as a Digital Communicator | Via Civic |
| KA205  Erasmus+ - Exchange of Good Practices | 2020 | 2020-2-CY02-KA205-  001847 | “SELF EMPLOYED ENTREPRENEURS MEET EXCHANGE GET RESULTS & ORGANIZE  WORK” - SEE ME GR&OW | Neolea Gia Antalagi Kai Katanoisi |
| KA205  Erasmus+ | 2020 | 2020-2-RO01-KA205-  080633 | Youth Finance Academy | Monomyths Association |
| KA205  Erasmus+ | 2020 | 2020-2-PT02-KA205-  006895 | Start-U: Defining (inclusive) paths to star (new) lives | Anje Associação Nacional De Jovens Empresários |
| KA205  Erasmus+ | 2020 | 2020-3-ES02-KA205-  016265 | #GREENFLUENCERS, Youth  workers for a greener future | La Víbria Intercultural |
| KA227  Erasmus+ | 2020 | 2020-1-BE04-KA227- YOU-002814 | Transforming COVID-19 into an opportunity: new inclusive digital jobs and training for your people in the creative  sector | Youth Proaktiv |
| Erasmus+ KA1 | 2020 | 2020-3-FR02-KA105-  018459 | Youth for European Solidarity – YES! | The Nuwa Group |
| European Solidarity Corps | 2020 | 2020-3-EL02-ESC11-  006576 | Resources for Youth Power | Entrepreneurship And Social Economy Group |
| KA205  Erasmus+ | 2020 | 2020-3-DE04-KA205-  020357 | Intercultural Action Competence Tool - InterACT | Kulturlife |
| KA3 –  European Youth | 2020 | 624656-EPP-1-2020-  1-SE-EPPKA3-EU- YTH-TOG | Values and Opinions of Young Communities in Europe - VOYCE | Hello Youth |

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| **Together** |  |  |  |  |
| European Solidarity Corps | 2021 | 2021-1-EL02-ESC30- SOL000036257 | Youth ECOnnection | Entrepreneurship And Social Economy Group |
| **EEA Grants**  **- ACF** | **2021** | **EEA-888** | **Active Preventers and Active Bystanders: Preventing Gender Based Violence in youth’s life** | **Entrepreneurship And Social Economy Group** |
| KA220  Erasmus+ | 2021 | 2021-1-BG01-KA220- YOU-000028893 | Young Entrepreneurs in Times of Crisis | FECE |
| KA210  Erasmus+ | 2021 | 2021-1-DE04 KA210- YOU-000033892 | Youth SDG Work 2022 | elements. Bildung und Kultur in der Einen Welt e.V. |
| **KA2 -CBY**  **Erasmus+** | **2021** | **ERASMUS-YOUTH- 2021-CB- 101052000** | **Citizen Journalism Academy for Youth** | **FECE** |
| KA210  Erasmus+ | 2021 | 2021-1-PL01-KA210- ADU-000029607 | Environmental protection unites generations | Fundacja Na Rzecz Wspierania Osób  Niepełnosprawnych "Wyjdź z Domu" |
| KA210  Erasmus+ | 2021 | 2021-1-ES02-KA220- YOU-0000288 | Podcast Employ yourself in Culture | Integra A Coruña |
| **KA220**  **Erasmus+** | **2021** | **2021-1-SE01-KA220- ADU-000035340** | **STEP UP: Sustainability skills entrepreneurial mind set to foster migrant women**  **employability and upskilling possibilities** | **Integration For Alla** |
| European Solidarity Corps | 2022 | 2022-1-EL02-ESC30- SOL-000070954 | Shakespearean effort for common solidarity | Entrepreneurship And Social Economy Group |
| **Erasmus+ KA3 European Youth**  **Together** | **2022** | **ERASMUS-YOUTH- 2022-YOUTH-TOG- LOT2-101089766** | **Values, Ideas and Stories from Youth ON stage - VISYON** | **Entrepreneurship And Social Economy Group** |
| **KA220 Erasmus+** | **2023** | **2022-2-FR02-KA220-YOU- 000096242** | **ECOROUTES: Unlocking the Potential of Youth in Tourism** | **CBE Sud Luberon Val de Durance** |
| **KA220 Erasmus+** | **2023** | **2022-2-FR02-KA220-YOU-000103696** | **EcoReactEU: Addressing Eco-Anxiety in Europe through Education and Action** | **La Ligue de l’Enseignement** |
| **KA220 Erasmus+** | **2023** | **2023-1-ES02-KA220-YOU-000151307** | **YOU-CYCLE: YOUng Changemakers for Circular Local Economy** | **Espacio Geranios para el Emprendimiento Social** |
| **KA220 Erasmus+** | **2023** | **2023-1-PT02-KA220-YOU-000116900** | **PRO(F)LITERACY 2.0** | **Proacting – Associação** |

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