

EVENT DESCRIPTION SHEET

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PROJECT	
Participant:	[Municipality of Oreokastro]
PIC number:	895555023
Project name and acronym:	[Together for Active, Cultivated and Inclusive Societies]- [TACIS]

EVENT DESCRIPTION	
Event number:	1
Event name:	Unity in Diversity
Type:	Workshop,
In situ/online:	[in-situ]
Location:	Municipality of Bodio Lomnago
Date(s):	14-17 October 2024
Website(s) (if any):	https://oraikastro.gr/category/draseis-programmata/adelfopoisi-poleon/tacis/ https://aristi.org.gr/index.php/el/activities-3/ekdilwseis.html https://youtube.com/shorts/A1019x2HGJE?feature=share
Participants	
Female:	24 Greeks
Male:	5 Greeks
Non-binary:	
From country 1 [name]:	Greece
From country 2 [name]:	
From country 3 [name]:	
...	
Total number of participants:	30
From total number of countries:	45 in situ
Description	
<i>Provide a short description of the event and its activities.</i>	

Citizens from both cities, members from the women association Aristi, members from other cultural organizations from Oraioastro and members from the youth council of Oraioastro will participate and also representatives and public servants from municipality of Oraioastro followed the two days events with the Italian counterparts.

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Together for Active, Cultivated and Inclusive Societies (TACIS)

Minutes of event “Unity in Diversity” in Bodio Lomnago, Italy

Introduction

In the period 15-16 of October 2024 a number of meetings and actions took place in Bodio Lomnago within the framework of the project “Together for Active, Cultivated and Inclusive Societies” included in event N.1 entitled “Unity in Diversity”. This project highlights the cooperation between Municipalities and civil society in the EuroMediterranean area on issues of fostering social cohesion and gender equality within communities and enhancing active participation and citizenship both at local and international level in order to combat social and discriminatory challenges.

More specifically, the Municipality of Oraiokastro together with the local women organization Aristi and the Istituto Ellenico di Cultura and Municipality of Bodio Lomnago, based on their cultural roots and the desired cultural exchange, have committed themselves to work together under a set of activities in order to better understand common places of well-being within their communities, promote the common values of the European community such as solidarity and gender equality and combat incidents of discrimination while creating an environment of mutual respect and prosperity to the members of their communities.

On the one hand, the project will enhance the role of local authorities to create mechanisms and tools for their community in order to express local challenges and will promote the need of cooperation between Municipalities and local associations in order to jointly address these challenges. On the other hand, the activities of the project will enable the participating organizations to enhance their competences and knowledge in order to be more community-oriented and inclusive.

Through the activities a transnational network for sharing practices, experiences and aspirations will be created. The outputs of the project, such as the platform and the report that will be developed, will serve as a common place of demonstrating the above while the memorandum of understanding will support the sustainability of the twinning and the long-term cooperation and networking between the partners. Thus, the ultimate goal is to enhance the sense of belonging to a great community for defining and combating common challenges towards a promising future based on values of solidarity, cohesion and inclusion.



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MINUTES

The Event N.1 of the project with the title “Together for Active, Cultivated and Inclusive Societies” and the acronym “TACIS” took place on Tuesday 15/10/2024 and Wednesday 16/10/2024, in which the three (3) beneficiaries participated with their representatives, namely the Municipality of Oraiokastro, the local women organization ARISTI and the Istituto Ellenico di Cultura alongside with the proposed twinning Italian Municipality Bodio Lomnago participated in the event with other representatives from the Italian city.

Upon the arrival the official representatives were waiting for the bus of travellers, while in the workshop area the members of the Italian body were waiting. The two days’ events started from the description of the activities of the involved organizations.

The Municipality of Oraiokastro has been engaged in a numerous EU funded projects and have already set a net of cooperation with other Municipalities in Greece and in Bulgaria. In this project it aims to promote changes between citizens of different countries in particular through town twinning, to give them practical experience of the wealth and diversity of the common heritage of the Union and to make them aware that these constitute the foundation for a common future.

Aristi is a women association whose aim is to empower women in its scope, has participated in several transnational activities and cultural events in neighbouring countries and keeps a strong communication network with all of them but also with other Women networks in Greece in cultural events’ organization that take place within municipal borders of Oraiokastro. Aristi works with several cultural associations and also with the Youth Council of Municipality of Oraiokastro and is in close co-operation with the local Municipality. In this project it wishes to collaborate with Istituto Ellenico di Cultura, Italy and the Municipality of Bodio Lomnago in a series of activities to better understand common welfare practices in their communities, with the aim of improving living conditions for every human being regardless of gender, culture, age.

The Istituto Ellenico di Cultura is a non-governmental organisation, whose aim is to promote ideas, values, traditions, arts, history and other features of the Greek culture and identity according to the principles and practices of cultural diplomacy and international cultural relations. It fosters peace and equality among people and nations

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through intercultural dialogue. In order to achieve this, the institute is involved in the organisation and management of cultural, artistic and entertainment activities of particular social interest to nurture development and cooperation, culture, volunteerism and activities of general interest. Its goal is to encourage a culture of peace and nonviolence, human, political and social rights, as well as equal opportunities and solidarity. It is involved in university education, scientific research, protection of cultural heritage, vocational education, and cultural activities. It organizes nonformal educational courses, online foreign language courses, and tourist activities of cultural/religious interest. The Institute's people are professionals with different backgrounds, who work towards achieving the institute's mission.

The Municipality of Bodio Lomnago is a small village on the shores of Varese lake, with a long history and an important recent cultural activity, both of them strictly connected to international projects. First of all, about its history, inside its lake, there were found piles dating back to the Bronze Age, part of a large village, first human settlement in the region. For this reason, the village of Bodio Lomnago is registered among the human heritage of UNESCO, like other villages near the Alps in Italy, Switzerland and Austria. Moreover, nowadays Bodio Lomnago is worldwide known for its artistic activities, in particular about engravings: every two years it is organized an international competition about different topics and hundred of artists from all over the world take part in it every time. In past years they were hosted several times abroad exhibiting works selected from their collection: Bulgaria, Czech Republic, Denmark, Belgium, Lithuania and, of course, Greece (Athens and Crete). So, the opportunity to create a new channel for international cooperation on topical problems, like inclusion and welfare, is very welcome, as they believe that the exchange and the sharing of experience are extremely important for a common growth to equality.

All the participating organizations aim to create the basis in this initial trip and get to know each other. The workshops make them share common experiences and attitudes and the social programmes aim to create a warm relationship among the participants and give unofficially the time to talk about initiative and exchange of good practices.

Programme

The indicative programme as reflected in annex 2 of the relevant Grant Agreement with code 2024.4064295/6-06-2024 presented below:

Townhall of Municipality of Bodio Lomnago

DAY 1:

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09.00-12.30 Welcome, project presentation and panel discussion

12.30-13.30 Lunch

13.30-17.00 parallel workshops and mentoring sessions

Active workshop 1: “React and Act Equal” An interactive workshop to make people from different backgrounds work together for a common goal and form a harmonious and cohesive community

Workshop 2: Behavior change in modern societies (role playing games and discussion)

17.00-19.00 Social programme and networking

DAY 2: Inclusive societies (both Italy and Greece)

09.00-12.30 Mentoring session for inclusive societies: The session will explore effective ways for creating inclusive societies through the implementation of inclusion activities and empowering the active participation of citizens

1. Youth empowerment a response to break stereotypes: Youth from both countries will work together presenting a road map for building inclusive societies

2. “Cultural empowerment: Dos and Don'ts”: A workshop exploring the ways that culture could or could not promote citizen empowerment and decrease the social inclusion phenomenon
5. Digital Tools for Community Empowerment: Presenting innovative IT tools for active citizenship and discussion on their applications and their impact.

12.30-13.30 Lunch

13.30-16.30 Study Visit in the Municipality of Bodio Lomnago

16.30 Project Showcases, Q&A

17.00-19.00 Social programme meeting between women's associations from Greece and Italy • Outputs: Event Description Sheet (ESD) + link to the municipality /organisation website + pictures of the event or link to the pictures (according to the size), etc.

As planned the programme has been implemented and below is presented in details:

Monday, 14/10/2024

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On Monday the 14th of October there was the arrival of the first group of representatives of the Municipality of Oraiokastro and Aristi. They were welcomed by the host beneficiaries and they coordinated the activities of the following two days at a non-official / off the record gathering.

Day 1: Tuesday, 15/10/2024

On day 1 there was the opening of the activities with the speeches of representatives of all three beneficiaries, who welcomed everyone and presented the project. A panel discussion followed among Mrs. Lia Drossou Vice Major of Culture, Extroversy of Municipality of Oraiokastro, Dimitra Kounti, Faculty of Law AUTH "Women and politics in Greece", Mrs. Eleonora Paoelli, Major of the Municipality of Bodio Lomnago, Mrs. Laura Caradonna, President of Consulta Femminile of Milano, Mrs. Anna Rafailidou President of Aristi Cultural Female Association, Mr. Christos Mittas, Deputy District Governor of Culture & Sports / Region of Central Macedonia, Stefania Cipolat Impresa Donna Confesercenti Varese - Paola Molinari - ANDOS Varese, Carmine Pacente, President of the Europe Department of ANCI (National Association of Italian Municipalities) in Lombardy, Member of the European Committee of Regions in Brussels and Head of European Policies and Programming and LEAR (Legal Entity Appointed Representative) of the Metropolitan City of Milan and Mr. Nikos Frangos, President of Istituto Ellenico di Cultura (IEC) – Italy. The theme of the discussion at the round table was “Women and politics in Italy, Greece and in Europe”.

Once the necessary introductions of the invited Greeks and Italians were made, the representatives of the two municipalities ritually exchanged the gifts. Plaques, albums and visual paintings were offered as gifts, in order to declare the mood for cooperation and the twinning of the two communities.

The vice-mayor of the Municipality of Oraiokastro and the Mayor of the Municipality of Bodio Lomnago discussed the challenges that women face in their professional life, family and by extension their social life in modern societies. The two women discussed that the position of women in politics has been improved but still faces challenges. Women's participation remains an unequal policy.

The presidents of the women associations added that the greater participation of women can lead to better policies for the rights of equality, motherhood, etc. The progress is noticeable, but the journey to equality must continue.

Mr. Frangos mentioned among other things that, inspired by these discussions, we were all engaged to the "TACIS" program, because we are all going to learn through this collaboration. The Greek vice-regional governor pointed out that the region supports such initiatives and he emphasized that the policies of equality cannot be

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strengthened without the support of culture and that especially the associations directly related to women should work.

Workshop 1

At first, **Active Workshop 1**, “React and Act Equal”, was held. This was an interactive workshop to make people from different backgrounds work together for a common goal and form a harmonious and cohesive community.

Anna Rafailidou, the president of the Aristi Cultural Female Association, took the floor and referred to the constructive cooperation with the Municipality of Oreokastro that wishes to extend it to further activities and common welfare practices in collaboration with Istituto Ellenico di Cultura. Then, members of Aristi (Sofia Papadopoulou, Dimitra Raftopoulou and Evgnosia Raftopoulou) took the podium and made statements on stereotyping and traditional gender roles and on the discrimination and social exclusion based on life cycle and gender at all stages of life, whereas Elena Zlati, also a member of Aristi, talked about gender inequalities in the workplace.

Workshop 2

The **Workshop 2** followed. It was about Behavior change in modern societies and it included role playing games and discussion. Thanos Chercheletzis, the Journalist, Press Office of Municipality of Oraikastro, spoke about the changing attitudes in relation to the way news is disseminated and influences public opinion. He also summarised the points that influence behavioural shifts in relation to the transmission of news. The discussion with the audience that followed highlighted the importance of educating citizens about the management and use of digital media.

There was an online connection with Sismanidou Anastasia, the General Secretary in Municipality of Oraikastro. She expressed her views about linguistic sexism stressing the necessity for schools, municipalities, prefectures and ministries to comply to linguistic ethics and the correct usage of the language in a way that does not underestimate women.



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Afterwards, the member of Aristi Jotta Polychronidou talked about the stereotyping and traditional gender roles in the food industry and Nena Polychronidou stressed the importance of fostering equality and encouraging active participation within our communities in order to build stronger, more resilient, and just societies. Finally, Marina Georgiadou, spoke about the influence of digital media and journalism on the extroversion of Associations and the promotion of their activities in a more effective way. At some point a video was shown of the statements of the president of the municipal equality committee and vice-mayor of Social Policy and Solidarity Christos Saramourtsis, who spoke about the importance of the gender dimension and the efforts of the municipality to establish a culture that promotes equality and protection of socially vulnerable groups.

The discussion among the women from the two associations ended in the Social programme with sharing common attitudes and experiences but also obstacles in their professional paths.

Day 2: Wednesday, 16/10/2024

Session 1

The day 2 entitled “Inclusive societies (both Italy and Greece)”. It started with the mentoring session where the participants explored effective ways for creating inclusive societies. Through the implementation of inclusion activities and empowering the active participation of citizens, several examples have been presented.

More specifically the first session, “Youth empowerment a response to break stereotypes”, that opened the second day, was about the participation of young people in gender equality actions and policies. Among the presentations by representatives of the clubs there was a discussion about an action taken by a woman in Oraioakastro in collaboration with the Municipality and the Youth Council. They implemented a graffiti action giving a message to social issues such as body shaming and domestic violence. This action promoted social empowerment and relied on the participation of young people and their awareness of social issues. The discussion was about social stereotypes and the importance of informing and raising awareness about them through experiential experiences and discussion.

After the statements of the President of the Youth Council of Oraioakastro Angelos Tsitiridis, Donca Adriana, the secretary of Aristi, presented her reflections on the fundamental concepts for associations such as collectivity, action, promotion and social interaction. Tania Manta greeted the young people of Italy and proposed a future cooperation between them and the young people of Oraioakastro. The first

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session was concluded by Maria Saramourtsi, who talked about the denigration of women by men in the workplace, either verbally or in any way.

The exchange of good practices between the youth representatives of the two regions ended with the exploration of common strategies and legislation for the youth councils. The desire of the Italian representative to participate in a meeting of the Youth Council in Oraikastro online was expressed.

Session 2

The second session of the second day entitled "Cultural empowerment -Dos and Don'ts". It started with a game of situations and challenges for the acceptance of interculturality through the female perspective. The selection and display of experiential situations and dealing with discrimination were the main axes of the workshop, which aimed at all women seeing how others coped with avoiding or not discriminating situations due to veil, cultural traditions or both.

At first, Paris Stamatiadis, member of the Youth Council of Oraikastro, presented a workshop to explore the ways that culture could or could not promote citizen empowerment and decrease the social inclusion phenomenon. Then, members of Aristi took the floor. Aikaterini Stravoravdi said among other things that empowerment through unity emerges as a crucial mechanism for advancing gender equality and promoting active citizenship. Maria Toumba commented on Artificial Intelligence and set the dilemma: A.I., a blessing or a curse? Arvanitidou Polina mentioned the disparities in treatment, opportunities, and outcomes among employees that take place in a workplace. These disparities can be based on various factors such as gender, race, age, or disability.

Through these two days we managed to unite the voices of the two countries on sensitive social issues. Common challenges and concerns and common reactions were expressed with the aim of creating inclusive societies. The exchange of good practices for the empowerment of young people in the areas of the program engaged the participants as well as the intergenerational issue of dealing with discrimination and stereotypes, especially in smaller societies. Collaboration was proposed for the empowerment of culture which would lead to the social empowerment of the sub-groups of the society regardless of gender, culture, age.

After a short break, Mrs Zountsa (senior advisor to the Mayor of Oraikastro) has been connected with Mrs Dimitriadi (Istituto Ellinico di cultura) and discussed with the participants about the project deliverables and the critical lines of the project and its actions.



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The session of day 2 was completed with Closing workshops and institutional salute and Social programme meeting between women's associations from Greece and Italy. After the end of the work, the Italian partners of the municipality and the Institute offered to guide the Greek representatives to prominent parts of Bodio Lomnago. First, they went to the Town Hall which is housed in a relatively new building and they visited the special office of the mayor, the registry office, the offices of the secretary and at the entrance a hall nicely decorated, where they were welcomed by a lady teacher of foreign languages.

Although the light rain made touring quite difficult, the next stop was at an old building of the 16th century, villa Bossi Varese, right across the Town Hall, which has been renovated and now it belongs to three brothers who have kept it in a very good condition. In that building there were halls with wonderful musical instruments, really old ones, two rooms with wine cellars and others with living rooms and old fireplaces. One of the owners was kind enough to show everyone around. It was very impressive how well preserved the frescoes were. The place is currently available for gatherings and other events.

Overall, the walk around town was very pleasant and it was quite remarkable that the buildings and the streets were very clean and well maintained. It is, also, worth mentioning that people were very kind and welcoming. These last hours at Bodio Lomnago made a perfect ending and left their unforgettable mark at the whole trip to Italy.

Conclusions

The communication that existed online before coming to Italy in order to exchange ideas and good practices proved in practice the cooperation of the bodies involved.

The arrival in the Italian city confirmed the cooperation framework, aiming at formulating solutions to the problems of strengthening the role of women in society, social discrimination and the active alliance of citizens at the local, regional, national European level.

Through this collaboration we aimed at cultural and educational exchanges in joint actions for social issues as well as new youth networks, as well as the promotion of strategic communities for the above sectors and the promotion of the cultural bodies of the two regions based on the common layer treatment.



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The conclusions at the end of the project will strengthen the relations between the working communities, promote cooperation at the European level, but will also give citizens the opportunity to exchange ideas, values and experiences.

Furthermore, it should be mentioned that according to the initial planning, the lead partner proposed an internal kick off meeting for the relevant representatives of each organization that will be involved in the implementation.

Photo gallery



Arrival at the airport of Bergamo, Milano

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On the road to the Townhall of Municipality of Bodio Lomnago



Off the record meeting at the conference room of the hotel

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Day 1 - 15/10/2024

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Nikos Frangos presenting the project



Lia Drossou - Vice Major of Culture and Extroversy of Municipality of Oraiakastro offering a plaque to Eleonora Paoelli, - Major of the Municipality of Bodio Lomnago

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Lia Drossou - Vice Major of Culture and Extroversy of Municipality of Oraiakastro offering a photo album of Thessaloniki to Rosita DeFino - Regional Director of the Regional Council of Lombardy



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Members of Aristi Association offering gifts to Eleonora Paoelli and Nikos Frangos



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Opening Greetings by Anna Rafailidou, President of Aristi Association



Day 1: Attending the projects

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Day 1: Mentoring sessions



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Thanos Chercheletzis - Journalist, Press Office of Municipality of Oraikastro



Marina Georgiadou – Journalist / member of Aristi

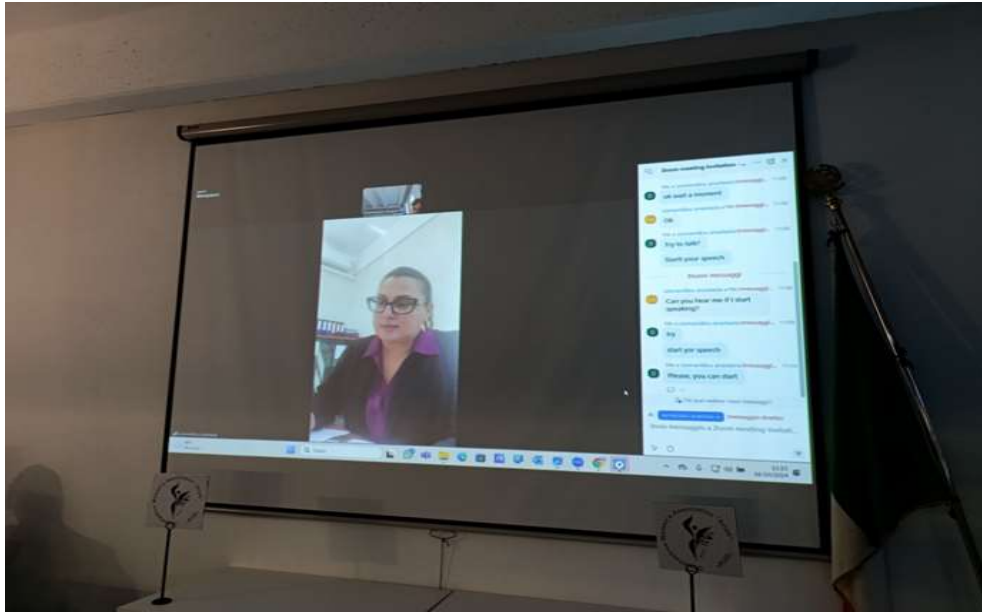


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Nikos, Frangos, Emanuele Monti, Eleonora Paoelli, Christos Mittas



Sismanidou Anastasia - Secretary General in Municipality of Oraikastro (on line)



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Day 1: Dinner time



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Day 2 – 16/10/2024



Day 2: members of Aristi Association attending the session



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Project presentations



Angelos Tsitiridis - President of Youth Council of Oraiookastro, setting role-playing games

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Representatives of all three (3) beneficiaries attending the sessions

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*Zountsa Stergiani - "Taxis" Project manager, Senior Advisor to the Mayor of Oraioakastro
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Emanuele Monti - Regional Councillor of Lombardy Region, addressing institutional salute



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Members of Aristi Association with Nikos Frangos



Closing workshops – concluding the sessions

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Day 2: Dinner time



Study Visit in the Municipality of Bodio Lomnago and Sacro Monte

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Unity in Diversity

Municipality of Bodio Lomnago



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ΔΗΜΟΣ ΩΡΑΙΟΚΑΣΤΡΟΥ

DAY 1-> 15/10/2024

HOUR	TITLE ACTIVITY	SPEAKERS	LOCATION
10:30	Departure from Thessaloniki Airport		Thessaloniki Airport
11:25	Arrival in Orio al Serio Airport from Thessaloniki		Orio al Serio Airport
11:45	Departure from Orio al Serio Airport		Orio al Serio Airport
13,15-13,30	Arrival in Bodio Lomnago		
13,30-14,30	Lunch		
14,30-15,00	Welcome, project presentation and panel discussion	<p>Welcome speech and Round Table "Women and politics in Italy, Greece and in Europe":</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> •Mrs. Lia Drossou Vice Major of Culture, Extroversy of Municipality of Oraikastro. •Dimitra Kounti , Faculty of Law AUTH "Women and politics in Greece". •Mrs. Eleonora Paoletti, Major of the Municipality of Bodio Lomnago •Mrs. Laura Caradonna, President of Consulta Femminile of Milano •Mrs. Anna Rafailidou President if Aristi Cultural Female Association •Mr. Christos Mitta Deputy District Governor of Culture & Sports / Region of Central Macedonia •Stefania Cipolat Impresa Donna Confesercenti Varese - Paola Molinari - ANDOS Varese •Carmine Pacente, President of the Europe Department of ANCI (National Association of Italian Municipalities) in Lombardy, Member of the European Committee of Regions in Brussels and Head of European Policies and Programming and LEAR (Legal Entity Appointed Representative) of the Metropolitan City of Milan •Mr. Nikos Frangos, President of Istituto Ellenico di Cultura (IEC) - Italy 	
15,00-16,00	Active workshop 1 : "React and Act Equal" An interactive workshop to make people from different backgrounds work together for a common goal and form a harmonious and cohesive community	<p>Facilitators: Sharon Zoppeddu – Nikos Frangos President IEC</p> <p>1. Anna Rafailidou President Aristi - OPENING GREETINGS</p> <p>"Discrimination and social exclusion based on life cycle and gender"</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • in the reproductive / young age "Working mom's life" ..., by Sofia Papadopoulou, Mediator • in development/career, by Dimitra Raftopoulou, Mediator - Lawyer • at 65+, by Evgnosia Raftopoulou, Mediator – Lawyer 1 workshop <p>2. Elena Zlati, Food Scientist – Nutritionist "Social inequalities in the workplace"</p> <p>3. Andrea Avila - Magari Domani Onlus</p> <p>4. Helen Crownhurst - Impresa Donna Confesercenti Varese "Women and entrepreneurship"</p>	Aquatech Group -via Mottarone 14 Bodio Lomnago
16,00-17,00	Workshop 2: Behavior change in modern societies (role playing games and discussion)	<p>Facilitators: Sharon Zoppeddu – Nikos Frangos President IEC</p> <p>1. Thanos Chercheletzis - Journalist, Press Office of Municipality of Oraikastro,</p> <p>2. Sismanidou Anastasia, Lawyer, Master in HR, Phd candidate in Life long Learning in P.A., Secretary General in Municipality of Oraikastro</p> <p>3. Jotta Mitsiou-Polychronidou Philologist of German and English language, author of cookbooks, chef.</p> <p>"The complexities and possibilities of the female chef's role in modern gastronomy."</p> <p>4. Nena Polychronidou, Communications Specialist - Master of Business Administration - Accredited Civil & Commercial Mediator</p> <p>"Connecting Communities: Fostering Equality and Engagement"</p> <p>5. Marina Georgiadou , Journalist "The influence of digital media & journalism on the extroversion of Associations"</p> <p>6. Stefano Tibiletti, Municipal Councillor of the Municipality of Bodio Lomnago – Radio Village Network</p>	
17,00-17,15	Coffe break		
17.15-19.00	Social programme and networking	Social programme meeting between women's associations from Greece and Associations from Italy	
19:00	Departure from Bodio Lomnago to Palace Grand Hotel Varese for check in		Palace Grand Hotel Varese Via Manara Luciano, 11, 21100 Varese VA
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9:30	Departure from Palace Grand Hotel Varese to Bodio Lomnago		Palace Grand Hotel Varese Via Manara Luciano, 11, 21100 Varese VA

10.00-11.00	Youth empowerment a response to break stereotypes: Youth from both countries will work together presenting a road map for building inclusive societies,	Facilitators: Sharon Zappeddu – Nikos Frangos President IEC 1. Aggelos Tsitiridis -President of Youth Council of Oraiakastro 2. Domenico Aracri and Mattia Manfredi - Consulta Giovani Di Bodio Lomnago 3. Donca Adriana , Architect "Next-gen culture: lights on us" 4. Tania Manta Gymnasts- Greetings to the Youth People 5. Maria Saramourtsi Public officer in Independent Authority for Public Revenue (IAPR) "Manterruption and mansplaining"	Aquatech Group -via Mottarone 14 Bodio Lomnago	
11.30-12.30	Cultural empowerment: Dos and Don'ts": A workshop exploring the ways that culture could or could not promote citizen empowerment and decrease the social inclusion phenomenon	Facilitators: Sharon Zappeddu – Nikos Frangos President IEC 1. Paris Stamatiadis-Member of Youth Council of Oraiakastro 2. Aikaterini Stravoravdi, Psychologist, MSc, PhD candidate at the School of Medicine, Aristotle University of Thessaloniki. Clinical research associate at the Biomedical Research and Education Special Unit Empowerment Through Unity: Gender Equality and Active Citizenship" 3. Maria Toumba, Visual & Digital designer "A.I. (Artificial Intelligence), a blessing or a curse?" 4. Arvanitidou Polina, Theology "Examining Workplace Culture" 5. Andrea Avila - Magari Domani Onlus		
12.30-13.30	Lunch			
13.30-14.00	Project Showcases, Q&A	Zountsa Stergiani - "Takis" Project manager, Senior Advisor to the Mayor (Online)		
15.00	Closing workshops and institutional salute	Mr. Emanuele Monti, Regional Councillor of Lombardy Region, President Social Sustainability, Housing and Family Commission and Health Commission		
14.00-16.00	Social programme meeting between women's associations from Greece and Italy	Aristi		
16.15-18.15	Study Visit in the Municipality of Bodio Lomnago and Sacro Monte			sito palafitticolo di Bodio Centrale / Sacro Monte di Varese
18.30	Departure to the Palace Grand Hotel Varese			Palace Grand Hotel Varese Via Manara Luciano, 11, 21100 Varese VA
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4.30	Departure from Palace Grand Hotel Varese to Orio al Serio Airport			Palace Grand Hotel Varese Via Manara Luciano, 11, 21100 Varese VA
7.50	Departure from Orio al Serio Airport		Orio al Serio Airport	
10.55	Arrival at Thessaloniki Airport		Thessaloniki Airport	