



Development Agency  
of the Prefecture of Kavala  
(AENAK S.A)



*Under the Auspices of the Major of  
Hrysoupolis*

## **WORKSHOP**

# **NATURE CONSERVATION AND ECO-DEVELOPMENT**



**Hrysoupolis, Greece**

**30<sup>th</sup> October – 1<sup>st</sup> November 2003**

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## **“Nature Conservation and Eco-development” Life Environment – Workshop for the Nestos Area**

**Organizers:** Society of Protection of Nature and Ecodevelopment (EPO) in collaboration with the Development Agency of the Prefectural Authority of Kavala (AENAK) and under the Auspice of the Major of Hrysoupolis and with the support of Development Agency of the Town of Hrysoupolis (DEPAH)

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**Conference Venue:** City of Hrysoupolis, Northeast Greece

**Facilities:** New Theatre-Conference Building, City of Hrysoupolis

**Participants:** Approximately 150 participants expected

**Workshop Fees:** The workshop is free of charge

### **Objectives:**

- Raise public awareness for the Life Program
- Promote the objectives of Nature Conservation, Sustainable Agriculture and Sustainable Tourism within the Management Plan for the Nestos Lakes and Lagoons
- Promote the "Nestos National Park"
- To involve local and regional authorities and services to promote conservation and eco-development in the area

### **Who will be invited?**

#### **A Central government:**

- Ministries of Environment, Development, Agriculture
- Experts and opinion leaders
- Special services involved with the matters of the conference
- The Members of Parliament of the region

#### **B Regional Authorities:**

- Periferiarchis (Region – Authority)
- Prefects of Kavala, Xanthi and the President of Prefectural Authorities Dr. Tatsis
- Organization of the "Local Governments" (TEDK)
- Development Agencies of Towns and prefectures
- All services of the two working groups on Management-Extensivation and Tourism, especially farmers' organizations, cooperatives, advisers and local tourism business

#### **C Local Authorities:**

- Mayors of Hrysoupolis and Keramoti, (Avdira, Stavroupolis, Topiros, Orinou)

#### **D The public of the area**

- With some priority on tourism business, farmers and their organizations and teachers, others: e.g. regional and national NGOs (Arkturos, HSPN, WWF, ICOMOS)

#### **E The Media**



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## CONFERENCE PROGRAMME

### Wednesday, October 29<sup>th</sup> 2003

Arrival of foreign participants, accommodation  
Excursion in Nestos Area  
Dinner for foreign participants in Hrysoupolis or Keramoti

### Thursday, October 30<sup>th</sup> 2003 Sustainable Tourism and Eco-development

**09.00 - 10.00** Welcome Statements and Speeches

**Moderator:** *Georgios Argiriou, Secretary General EPO*

*Despotis Prokopios, Bishop of the Kavala-Thassos Area*

*Theodoros Kalliontzis, Prefect of Kavala District*

*Stergios Goulfas, Mayor of Hrysoupolis*

*Representatives of the Regional Authority, Greek Ministries, MP*

*Gregoris Antoniadis, Unilever Hellas*

*Udo Gattenlöhner, Director Global Nature Fund, Germany*

Introductory Presentation of the Life Environment - Living Lakes Program

*Hans Jerrentrup, Director EPO*

Introductory Presentation of the Life Program in the Nestos Area

**10.00 - 12.00** 1<sup>st</sup> Thematic Unit: Sustainable Development

**Moderator:** *Konstantinos Efthimiadis, Prefectural Authority  
of Kavala, President of Tourism Board*

*Prof. Dr. Aitken Clark, Hon. President Europarc*

The Role of National Parks for regional Development

*Marion Hammerl-Resch, Director Lake Constance Foundation:*

The Bodensee Project: An integrated eco-development approach for a region

*Gregoris Antoniadis, Unilever Hellas:*

The Role of Businesses in Conservation and Protection of the Environment

Discussion

**12.00 - 12.30** Coffee Break



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**12.30 - 13.00**      **Ceremony: “The EPO-Awards for Outstanding Contributions to the Conservation of the Nestos Area”**

**13.00 - 15.00**      **2<sup>nd</sup> Thematic Unit: Sustainable Tourism & Conservation**  
**Moderator: *Gregoris Antoniadis, Unilever Hellas***

*Marion Hammerl-Resch: Lake Constance Foundation*

Ecolabels and environmental management to raise the environmental quality of touristic products. Overview over the actual situation in Europe.

*Eleni Daroglou, Ecoconsult – Environmental Consultants:*

Basic principals of Ecotourism and environmental friendly tourism, European Experiences

*Ioanna Arabatzi, WWF Dadia HELLAS:*

The Dadia Area: A Model Case for Ecotourism and Conservation

*Hans Jerrentrup, Director EPO:*

EPO's LIFE projects, Tourism Case Development Study

*Judi M. Smith-Spala Greotel*

Environmentally friendly hotel management

**Discussion**

**Excursion to Nestos Delta Ecosystems**

**Dinner in Keramoti**

The collaboration with volunteer groups in conservation work helps to manage biotopes and environmental awareness.





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**Friday, October 31<sup>st</sup> 2003**

## **Nature Conservation and Wetland Management**

**09.00 – 11.00**    **1<sup>st</sup> Thematic Unit: Wetland Management and Agriculture in Natural Areas**

**Moderator:** *Dr. Argiris Kallianiotis, Director INALE*

*Jesus Palacio, Regional Administration, Villafafila, Castilla y León, Spain:*

Implementation of EU Programs in the extensivisation of agricultural areas

*Fernando Jubete, Fundación Global Nature Spain:*

Nature Conservation – Management Measures in the framework of the EU Life Project in La Nava and Boada, Spain

*Udo Gattenlöhner, Global Nature Fund, Germany*

Sustainable Agriculture in the Lake Constance Region

*Nikoletta Vandersmissen, Agriculturist DIO, Ecofarming Organisation*

Practical Experience with Bio-farming in Northern Greece

### **Discussion**

**11.00 - 11.30**    **Coffee Break**

**11.30 – 14.30**    **2. Thematic Unit: Conservation & Restoration - Greek Experiences**

**Moderator:** *Christos Simos, Managing Director AENAK*

*Greek Ministry of Agriculture and/or Environment*

Conservation Policies of the Ministries for the Nestos Wetland area

*Jannis Kasoglou, Prespa Society*

Nature Management in the Prespa National Park: Reedbeds, water buffaloes, eco-farming.

*Dr. Theodoros Nasiridis, Kerkini Info-Centre*

The Kerkini Lake towards sustainable development

*Hans Jerrentrup, Director EPO*

Life Programs: Nature Conservation and Management of Nestos Lakes and Lagoons

*Dr. Argiris Kallianiotis, Director of State Fisheries Research Center INALE*

Lagoon management and environmental conservation, the Nestos Case

### **Discussion**

**16.00**            **Field Trip to the Nestos Delta Wetlands**

**Saturday, November 1<sup>st</sup> 2003**

**9.00 - 14.00 Excursions to the Nestos Delta Wetlands**