

Study Group 1 in the Municipality of Mouzaki

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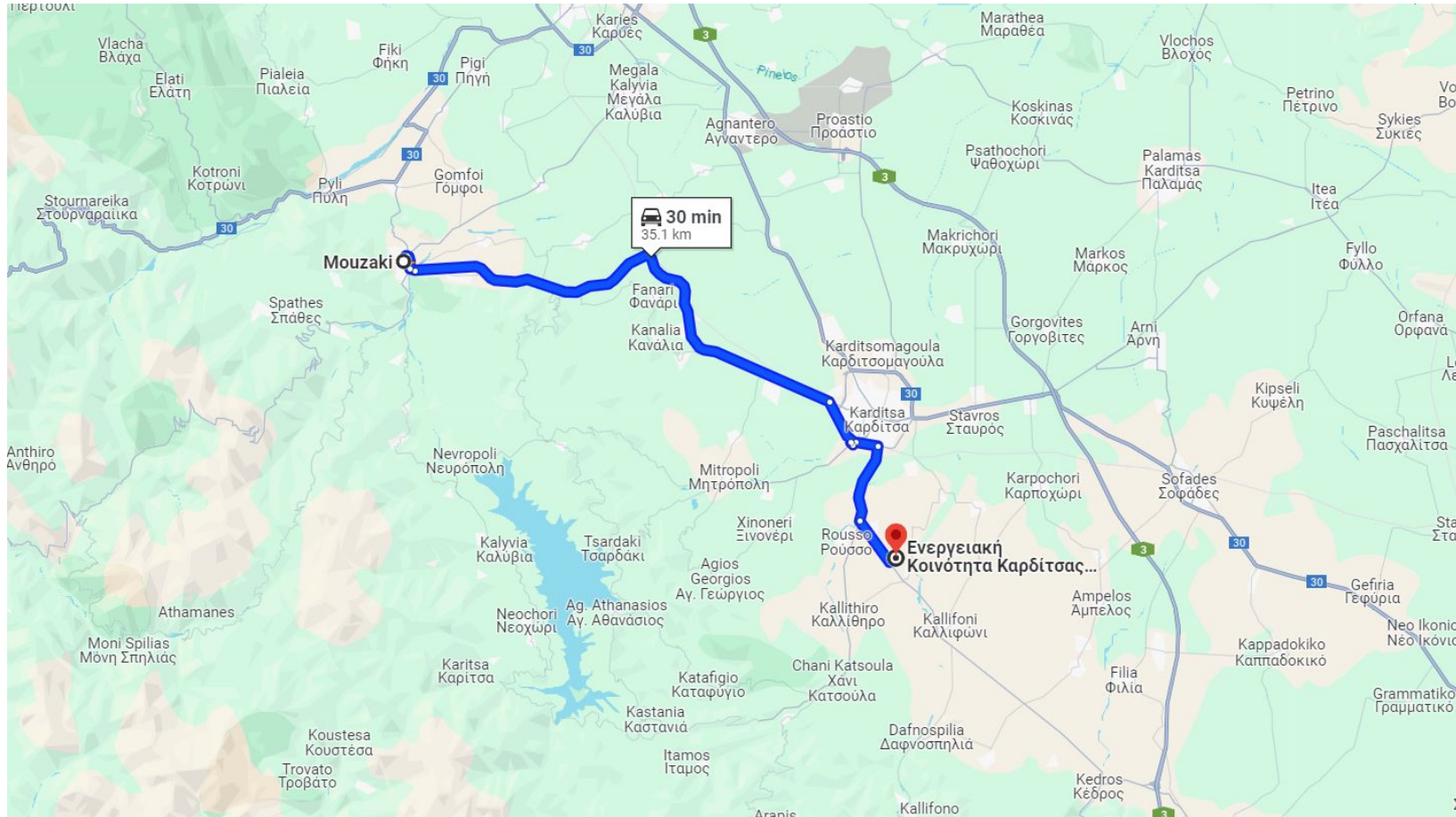
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1st Destination: Mouzaki

2nd Destination: Energy Community of Karditsa, ESEK SYN

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Municipality of Mouzaki

- 3.000 inhabitants
- Main occupations: agriculture, wood industry, livestock
- Geographical situation: foot hill area of Pindos mountain range

Main problems of the municipality

- Heavy storms lead to floods of the Pamisos river, causing serious destruction
- Decreasing population



Environmental Education Centre



- Established in 1996
- 1 of the 50+ centers in Greece belonging to Ministry of Education and co-financed by E.U.

Main function

- Life-long learning of the environment and sustainability

Staff of 4 teachers

3.000 students per year: and 1-2-3 day projects

- Georgios Karaiskakis aesthetic forest
- Ai-lias forest, Lake Plastira
- Educational materials, booklets

Environmental Education Centre - Actions

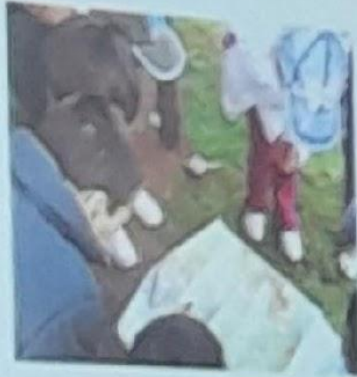


- Cooperation with N.G.O. beekeepers, hunters, libraries, museums in meetings and presentations to find solutions to problems.



One-day projects of Environmental Education / Indicative titles

"Walking in the forest"



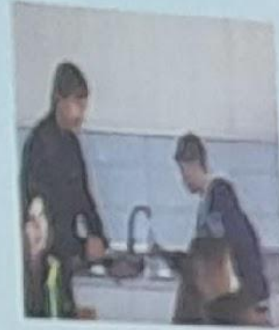
"Energy"



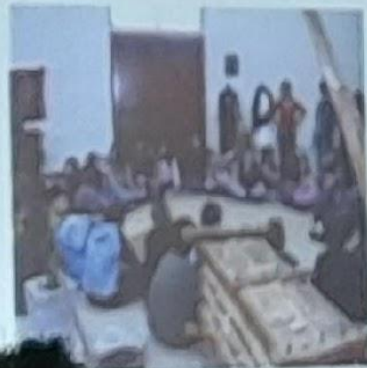
"Recycling"



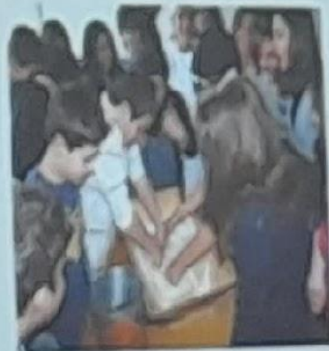
"...saving water"



"Sustainable tourism"



"Nutrition and Environment"



"The World of Herbs"



"Active citizenship"

What are Green Activators doing

- Education
- Workshops
- Organize cooperations
- Exhibitions
- Events
- Producing educational material and tools
- Transfer of knowledge between Environmental Centers around the country



E.C.E.S.M. co-ordinates two National Theme Networks
for Environmental Education

«The forest» from 2001

«Energy in the Child's Environment» from 2003



Δάσος

Η Ενέργεια
στο περιβάλλον
του παιδιού



Our Centre is collaborating with other Centers in several National Theme Networks.
Some of them are: "Traditional Settlements and Nature", "Lakes", "Sustainable Cities",
"Extreme Weather Phenomena" etc.



Also we have two or three-day projects
about sustainable
agriculture, energy, forest and regional
wetlands.



In the past we had a program about sound pollution, but now it is not implemented due to
lack of student interest.



ITAMOS Mouzaki, Development non-profit organization of Mouzaki



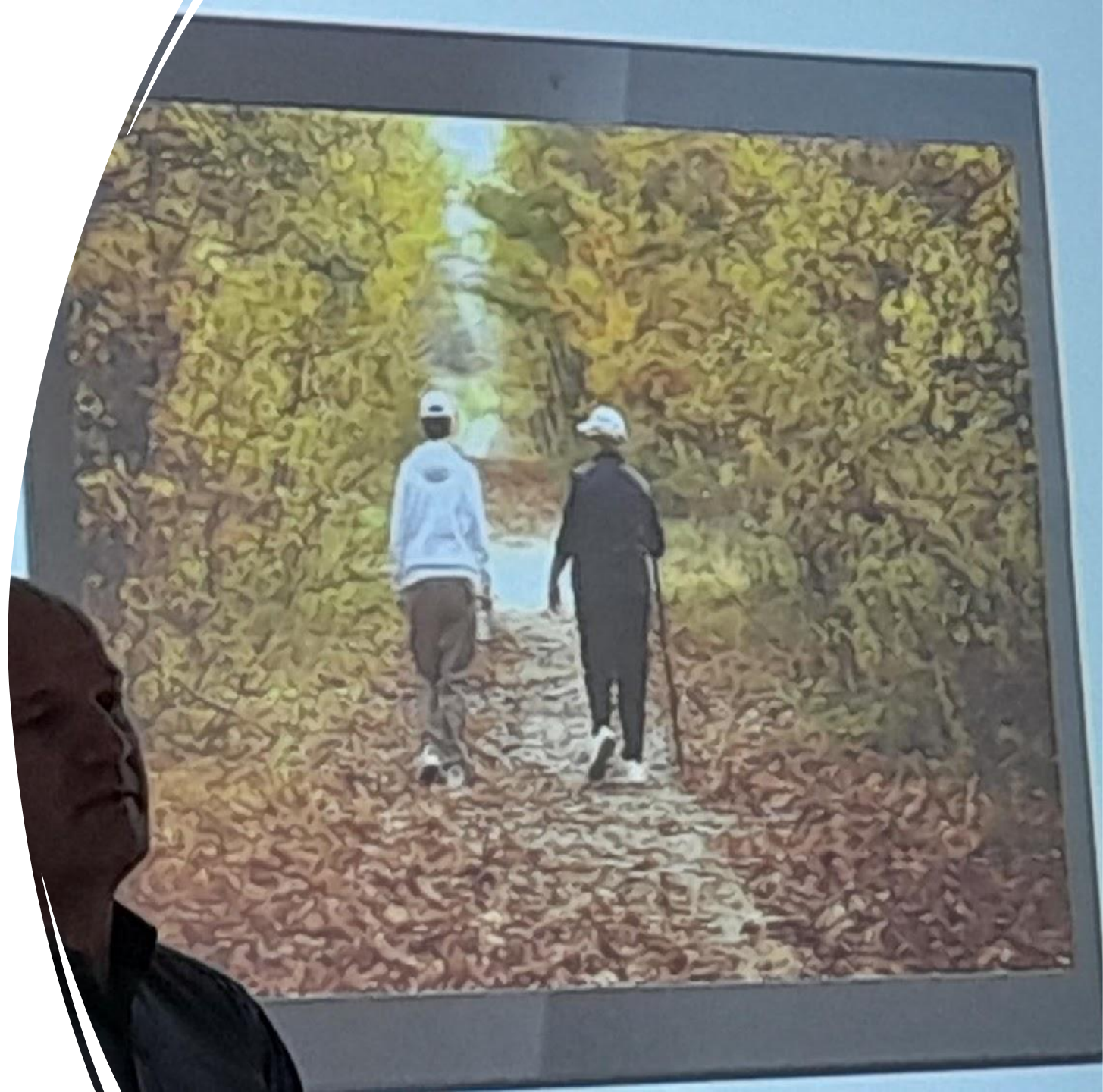
- The NGO is 1 year old and was created in times of need due to natural disasters (i.e. floods)

Aims of the organization:

- Serve the triptych of sustainable growth: society, economy, environment
- Emphasis on life quality, volunteering, social well-being and cohesion, green transition, educational opportunities, sustainable management of natural resources and ecosystems

ITAMOS's actions

- Erasmus youth exchange
- Cooperation with naturalists and mountaineering associations for improvement paths and strollers routes of our region
- actions on water quality and conservation
- social and cultural actions with other organizations



Energy community of Karditsa, ESEK SYN PE

- ESEK is a non profit citizen energy cooperative established in 2010

Main activity

- management of biomass plant for the production of solid bio fuels to generate energy for heating purposes.
- usage of local biomass to create pellets

biomass consists of production residuals, pruning trees, farmers, cotton fields, left over coffee

- 2000 tons per year
- 400 members, 6 municipalities
- service: installation of boilers and stoves

Why they are Green Activators

- Good cooperation between community, municipality and farmers
- Circle economy
- Recycling
- Innovation (coffee residue)
- Installation of solar power plant in the future
- cooperation with cats, green rat control

Difficulties

- farmers refuse to cooperate and burn the residue
- manual labor without automatization



Thank you for your
attention!