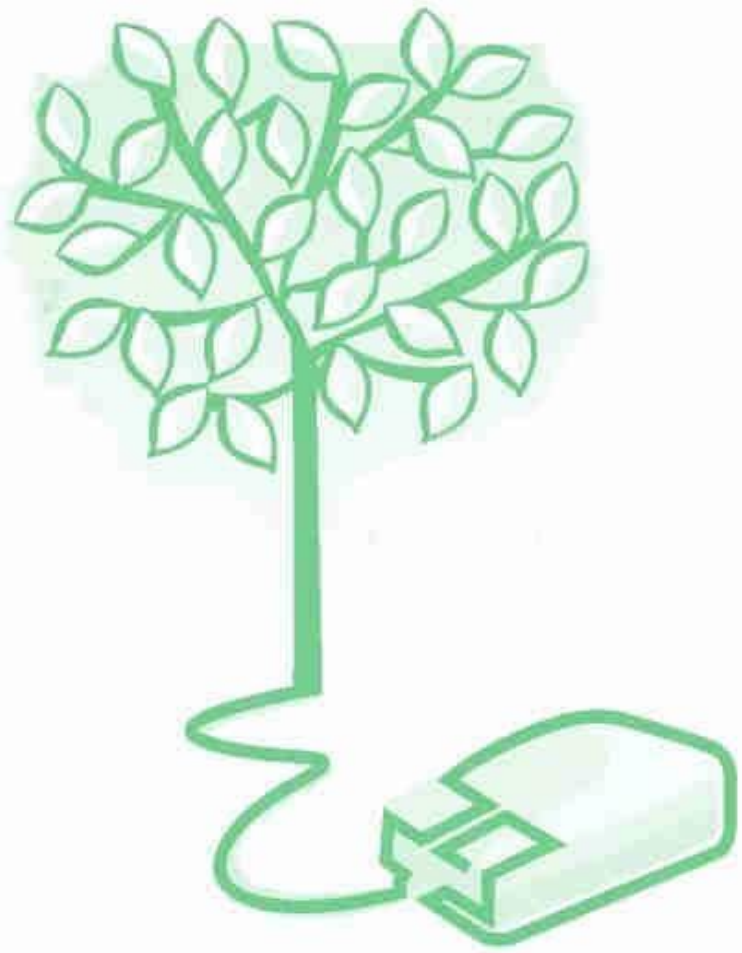
KEAN

Cell of Alternative Youth Activities

Annual Report 2019



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Human Rights, Social Inclusion & Integration

Accommodation Centre for Unaccompanied Children

November 2019-October 2020 (may be extended)

Since November 2019, KEAN has operated an Accommodation Centre for Unaccompanied Minors in Karitsa Larissa for 40 male minors– aged 12 to 18 years old –7 days a week, throughout the year, as well as on holidays and public holidays in the Municipality of Agia. It is operated by trained staff (social workers, psychologists, lawyers, caretakers, cooks, interpreters, administrative staff and cleaners) who work in shifts.

Key activities provided to the refugee children include:

- safe and healthy housing and living and clothing
- supportive psycho-social and educational services
- entertainment and sport activities
- legal support and assistance

The aim of the action is to protect young homeless unaccompanied minors (refugees, asylum seekers) and to address the impact of the phenomenon of children and adolescents exposed to the risk of exploitation. In addition, it contributes to the inclusion of unaccompanied minors in Greek school education, as well as in other support networks.

The action is co-funded by the Asylum, Migration and Integration Fund (AMIF)

https://www.facebook.com/pg/KEANShelter/about/

Youth exchange
Erasmus+
Migration Perspectives

The Youth Exchange Erasmus+ project **"MIGRATION PERSPECTIVES"** took place on **13-21 of May 2019**, **in the town of Skala** which is located **in the region of Laconia in Peloponnese – Greece**. Based on a series of interactive activities on migration, discrimination, stereotypes, prejudice, intercultural dialogue and understanding, **53 participants** coming from **10 different countries** -*Greece, Cyprus, Estonia, Portugal, Slovakia, Turkey, Italy, Croatia, Lithuania and Poland*- participated in the project implemented with non-formal learning methods with particular emphasis on experiential and peer learning. The young people were actively involved in all the activities and contributed to their realization with their ideas and creativity.

'Migration Perspectives' project objectives:

- Increase awareness and understanding of young people about the migration/refugee issue
- Moderate the negative stereotypes of young people and contribute to mutual understanding between young people from different cultural backgrounds
- Contribute to the change of attitudes towards the different and to the establishment of positive and constructive relations
- Develop young people's ability to interfere and express their opposition when behaviours of prejudice or discrimination against individuals and groups occur
- Facilitate the exchange of views among young people from different countries, promoting
- mutual understanding and cooperation.

DIVERSITY CHARTER GREECE by KEAN

The Diversity Charter, an initiative of the European Commission to Promote Diversity in Greek Business sector, was established in Greece in 2019 by KEAN. Its goal is to act as a means of engaging in the implementation of equal opportunities and diversity in every work environment in Greece. The "Diversity Charter" is being promoted in every EU member state. since 2004.

The Diversity Charter aims to act as a commitment for the implementation of equal opportunities and diversity in the working environment in Greece, irrespective of gender, race, colour, descent or ethnic origin, religious or other beliefs, disability or chronic disease, age, family or social status, sexual orientation, gender identity or sex characteristics.

Promoting and managing diversity in the workplace produces significant benefits at multiple levels, such as maximising efficiency, increasing productivity, improving and expanding corporate reputation, attracting and retaining talented professionals, facilitating access to new markets and providing services at global level, encouraging employees' innovation and creativity and empowering cultural values within the working environment.

Greece became the 23rd country to sign the Charter. Its goal is to function as a means of engaging in the implementation of equal opportunities and diversity in every work environment in Greece. In our country, the Diversity Charter is implemented by KEAN – Cell of Alternative Youth Activities. By May 2020, more than 150 companies and organisations have signed the Diversity Charter incorporating into their daily operations practices of efficient integration of different employees, with multifaceted benefits.

https://diversity-charter.gr/

Project's Objectives

- ✓ Promote social inclusion and ensure equal opportunities for all people in working environments through fostering diversity thinking and implementation of inclusive practices in the companies and organizations;
- ✓ Launch, host, and manage the **National Diversity Charter** in partner countries, which will create awareness and promote inclusion;
- ✓ Develop and disseminate **a Practical Guide**, approaches, and activities that will support inclusion and diversity and ultimately reduce discrimination and social inequality within the workplace and wider society;
- ✓ Provide training and professional development to managers, HR, personnel specialists, and adult educators, equipping them with the necessary knowledge, attitudes and competences to successfully manage and support diversity and inclusion at the workplace.

Project outputs

- ✓ Raising awareness, informing, and communicating: the Diversity Charter and the Guide;
- ✓ The Diversity Management and Inclusion Training Program;
- ✓ The On-line Collaborative Platform.

DIMAIN Target Groups

- managers, HR, personnel specialist;
- adult educators (trainers of per-service managers);
- larger / medium companies.

Key stakeholders include:

- NGOs and other organizations working in the field of human rights, inclusive policy, diversity, organizations that provide assistance and support to qualified jobseekers, organizations involved in provision of recruitment assistance to SMEs, centres of research on European integration in the job market;
- Governmental organizations, municipalities, policy makers;
- Enterprises and employers' umbrella organizations as well as social enterprises; and trade unions;
- Educational institutions;
- Employees (those working in the targeted companies);
- Research institutions;
- EU wide networks, associations and umbrella organizations;
- Pre-service managers, HR, personnel specialist.

Project Partners

- KEAN – Cell of Alternative Youth Activities
- NGO Diversity Development Group (DDG)
- National association "Personalo valdymo profesionalų asociacija – PVPA"

(Association for Human Resources Professionals)

- Center for Social Innovation Ltd
- Public Establishment SOPA
- NGO Open Centre

Website: *www.dimain.eu*

Facebook Page: *@dimai.eu*

Social Grocery Store of Municipality of Iraklio Attikis: Structure of provision of basic goods

July 2017 – December 2020

Co-financed by Greece and the European Union

Project Code: MIS: 5003687

KEAN in cooperation with the Municipality of Iraklio Attikis, established and operates the "Social Grocery Store of Municipality of Iraklio Attikis".

KEAN, through the operation of the structure aims to promote social cohesion, address the reduction of social inequalities and fight against poverty and social exclusion, with a view to develop a social protection net and cover the survival needs of the population of the Municipality of Iraklion Attikis which is in need, in order for them to be able to reconnect and reintegrate into the local community.

The services and provisions of the structure - "Social Grocery Store of Municipality of Iraklio Attikis" are addressed to the part of the population (individuals/households residing in the Municipality of Iraklio Attikis, including legally resident third- country nationals or/and stateless persons, as well as beneficiaries/applicants of international protection) which cannot meet its needs in basic goods.

The "Social Grocery Store" distributes to the beneficiaries food, groceries, personal care products, frozen products, clothing and footwear, books, toys, cd, etc. The structure operates daily - from Monday to Friday – and on fixed working hours, providing support to 400 beneficiaries and the distribution of the products takes place on a steady and regular basis.

Website
http://www.kean.gr/185

Erasmus+

COMM.ON HERITAGE. Community Manager for Inclusive Development of Vulnerable Areas based On Heritage

November 2019 – October 2021

Project No. 2019-1-IT02-KA204-062382

The project "COMM.ON HERITAGE. Community Manager for Inclusive Development of Vulnerable Areas based On Heritage" is based on the role that cultural heritage can play in contributing to social inclusion and economic growth in specific context: mountain, (semi-)peripheral and rural areas. These areas are vulnerable due to the demographic, social and economic changes that they are facing. Cultural heritage offers opportunities, but the marginality of the areas prevents the community to benefit from them. These areas need specific competences (merging heritage expertise, community building skills, business modelling, design thinking, new media and social networks, system thinking) aimed at mobilizing community members to make use of their common resources and promoting cultural heritage focusing on the community and with a dynamic approach. In this view, heritage is understood as a catalyst not a barrier, and especially valued for its contribution to the social innovation process for its creative and innovative capacity, identity and attractiveness generation capacity, and catalysation capacity.

In particular, the project aims to contribute to the following initiatives:

- Shared heritage: cultural heritage belongs to us all, included adult people coming from Third Countries and resettled in Europe in the last years
- Sustainability: Heritage in transition: re-imagining, recovering and maintaining industrial, religious, military sites and landscapes; Tourism and heritage: responsible and sustainable tourism around cultural heritage
- Innovation: Heritage-related skills: better education and training for traditional and new professions;

Intellectual outputs:

- Guide addressed to Community Managers working in mountain and rural areas in order to create heritage-based and inclusive development opportunities
- Community Heritage GeoTrail in vulnerable areas
- Innovating Cultural Heritage Toolkit
- Collaborative digital platform

Partners

L'Ovile Cooperativa di Solidarietà Sociale

Idrija 2020

RCDI REDE DE COMPETÊNCIAS PARA O DESENVOLVIMENTO E A INOVAÇÃO

Website

https://common-heritage.eu/

IAC
Information **A**ssistance **C**entre

July 2017 – December 2019

Το έργο «Operation of Information Assistance Centre - Pilot local integration project for PoC in Epirus» συγχρηματοδοτείται από την Ύπατη Αρμοστεία του ΟΗΕ για τους πρόσφυγες σύμφωνα με την υπ' αριθμόν σύμβαση:

Project Code:
UNHCR/GRC01/2018/0000000163

The Information Assistance Centre (IAC) has been established in partnership with the **Municipality of Ioannina** and operates with the aim to facilitate the access of refugees, asylum seekers (PoCs) and other vulnerable groups who are residing in Epirus Region, to public services with a view to enhance the perspective of local integration. In addition, the operation of the Centre aims at strengthening horizontal and streamlined information sharing between local institutions and PoCs.

The Centre operates in Aravantinou Street No 6A on a daily basis from Monday to Friday from 8.00 a.m. to 16.00 p.m. and provides support and consultancy services concerning:

- ✓ *the issuance of Social Security Number, VAT identification number and Health Insurance Card, in accordance with the foreseen procedure and the applicable legislation;*
- ✓ *the access to Social Solidarity Services and support services for applying for the Social Solidarity Income (KEA);*
- ✓ *the registration in the Manpower Employment Organization (OAED) and the granting of Unemployment Card;*
- ✓ *the issuance of Bank Account;*
- ✓ *the enrolment of children in Primary and Secondary Schools;*
- ✓ *employment;*
- ✓ *the protection of their rights.*

Website

http://www.kean.gr/web/iac-ioannina/home

Facebook Page
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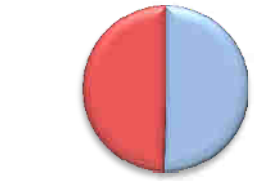
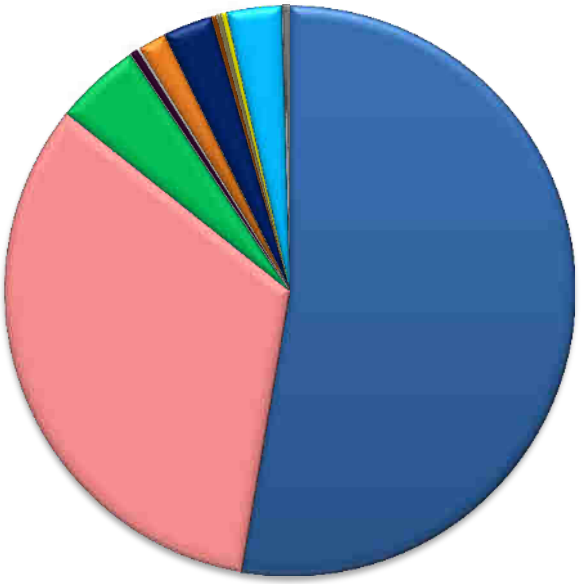
2017-2019
2500 Beneficiaries



2017-2020
4000 Concluded Services



Environmental Awareness, Protection & Education

ERASMUS+

PLANETISE - Practical Learning for Action & Networking via an Educational Tool, Inspiring Study of Environment"

February 2017 – May 2019

Funded by the Erasmus+ Programme of the European Union

Project Number: 2016-3-TR01-KA205-036984

Aims of the project:

- ✓ Implement a pedagogical and motivational methodology that maximizes youth learning and understanding of the environment;
- ✓ Develop transversal skills through engaging with an educational game;
- ✓ Provide youth organizations with innovative tools for teaching environmental education to young people;
- ✓ Promote the participation and active citizenship of youth by developing their sense of responsibility and taking note of the urgent need to pay attention to environmental problems.

Project outputs

- ✓ Final Comparative Needs Analysis Report;
- ✓ "Planetbook Game" Trainer's kit;
- ✓ Revised National Versions of the Educational Game "Planetbook" (Greece, Turkey, Italy, Germany, Portugal, Romania);
- ✓ Edition of the International Version of the "Planetbook Game";
- ✓ E-platform "Planetbook Europe"

Target Groups

- Youth leaders/representatives of youth organizations active in the field of environment, youth, sustainability, energy – in Turkey, Greece, Italy, Romania, Germany, Portugal;
- Youth Trainers & Participants;
- VET trainers and organizations, youth workers, schools and Eco clubs, NGOs and community centers, educational institutions (incl. Ministries, Regional Inspectorates of Education, Regional Inspectorates of Environment and Water), Universities and Colleges.

Project Partners

- NGO "KEAN – Cell of Alternative Youth Activities"
- ATAUNI - Ataturk University
- Ordu University
- MODAVI Federazione provinciale di Napoli Onlus
- SAKURA Asociatia pentru Tineret
- ASCAJ - Associação Socio-Cultural Alternativas Jovens
- JUGEND & KULTURPROJEKT E.V.

Facebook Pages:

Planetise Greece
Planetise Italy
Planetise Portugal
Planetise Turkey
Planetise Romania
Planetise Germany

Sports

Project No 217-2533/001-001

ERASMUS+: Support for collaborative partnerships in the field of Sport

01/01/2018-31/12/2019

The scope of CORPLAY – *COunter Radicalization, PLAY sport* project was to enhance the role of sport in preventing youth radicalization, by developing a sport grassroots innovative approach to tackle intolerance, xenophobia and discrimination leading to extremism, while increasing youth participation in sport.

The project aimed at understanding the role of sports in both radicalization and deradicalization processes and at arranging learning and awareness tools for grassroots coaches, referees sport managers, physical activity teachers and various stakeholders, while developing a CORPLAY perspective for policy recommendations.

Project outputs

-a new Knowledge and Awareness Framework

-a set of Learning Models, Tools, and Open Educational Resources; -an innovative awareness **game**

- a collection of experiences-stories in order to comprehend what radicalization is and how it can happen at grassroots sport level

- non formal and informal learning courses MODELS for coaches, sport organizations and physical education teachers at schools to improve their understanding and capacity to deal with youth at risk of radicalization to improve their awareness about sport as a tool for societal challenges
- CORPLAY Open Educational Resources which contain teaching, learning and research materials that are available and shared through an open platform for free use, adaptation, and distribution.

Coordinating Organisation

KEAN – Cell of Alternative Youth Activities – Greece (NGO)

Partner Organisations

Usma – Italy (Sport Association)

Municipality of Evrotas – Greece (Municipality/Public Administration)

Hacettepe University– Turkey (Higher Education Institution)

Opportunity and Protection Association – Bulgaria (NGO)

Rosto Solidario – Portugal (NGO)

Website:
https://www.corplay.eu

FOOTBALL MATCH IN THE CITY OF IOANNINA

"THE WHOLE WORLD ONE TEAM. SPORT UNITES"

KEAN organised a football match on **September 2, 2019**, at **18:00** at the **PEAKI Football Stadium in Limnopoula, Ioannina**.

The first team of refugees residing in the city of Ioannina and hosted in the city structures, while the second team consisted of young people from the city of Ioannina working and socializing with refugees in their daily lives.

The whole world can be one team because sport unites!

The aim of the event was to foster the idea of equality, solidarity and integration against all forms of discrimination, sending out a message for peaceful and intercultural coexistence.

1st SPARTA NIGHT RUN RACE

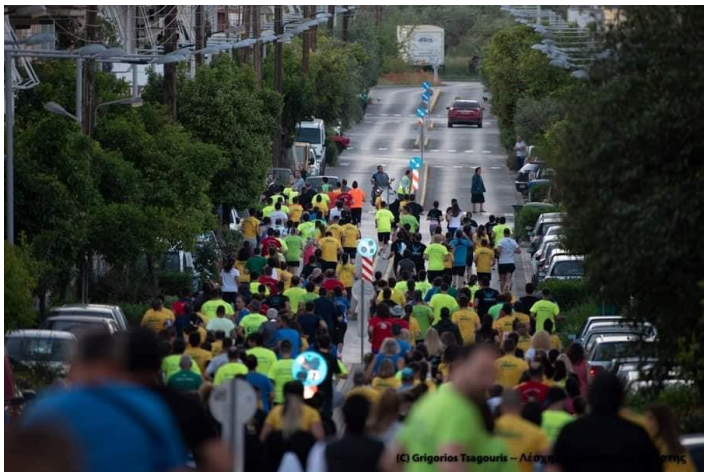
The ***1st SPARTA NIGHT RUN Sports event organized by the Prefecture of Laconia in the Peloponnese region, the Municipality of Sparta, the Sports Organization of the Municipality of Sparta, the NGO KEAN – Cell of Alternative Youth Activities, and the Spartan Runners Club.***

The sports event SPARTA NIGHT RUN was organized for the first time and our aim is to establish it as a celebration – call for Sports and Culture, inviting Runners and Visitors from all over Greece and abroad to join and run in the historic city of Sparta.

The Sparta Night Run race, which will took place on Saturday, May 18th 2019 started and finished at Sparta Central Square. The participants ran around the historic center of Sparta, taking the route through the cultural heritage monuments of the historic city, as it happens in other international competitions.

Along with the Run, and on the occasion of the International Museum Day (18 May), other events such as the Opening and Closing Ceremony**,** lectures by doctors on Sports Health as well as the award ceremony for athletes of athletics from Laconia that have excelled and are now excelling in Greece and abroad took place.

www.spartarun.gr



Employment, Entrepreneurship & New Technologies

DigitalCODING
Workshop for digital coding skills

Workshops for digital coding skills targeted to female school students in Greece.

October 2018 – March 2019

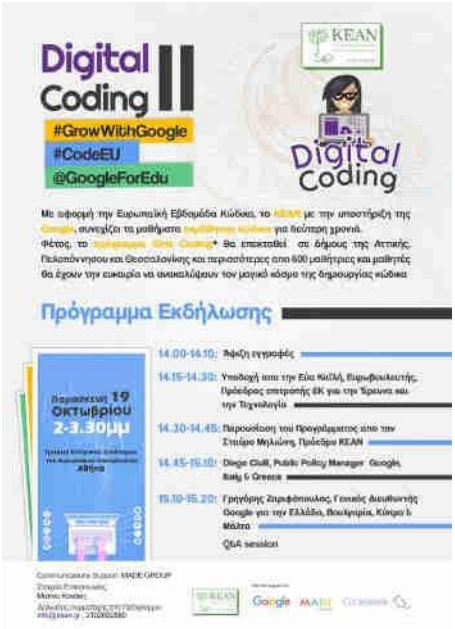
The project is funded by Google and is implemented with the support of MADE GROUP.

KEAN, for the second year in a row implemented the project "Girls Coding II - Workshops for digital coding skills targeted to female school students" which began on 2017 as part of the initiative "Workshops for digital coding skills targeted to female school students in a RIS country" that was launched and funded by EIT - European Institute of Innovation & Technology.

The activity lasted for 3 months and had the form of monthly intensive training cycles in groups of 10- 15 female student groups facing social and economic barriers in schools of Athens and Thessaloniki. In total 600 female students, with no or very low previous computer experience, 12-18 years old benefited by attending the courses.

The courses were based on non-formal, student centered and interactive learning methods with equal representation of theoretical and task/project based input. Students were invited to work in groups on different tasks and projects in order to practice the knowledge gained. At the end of the courses the students were awarded for their participation with Certificates.

Along with the workshops, KEAN also conducted Informative Sessions addressed to young people and parents.



Experiential Educational Programs

Experiential Educational Programs
addressed to students of Primary & Secondary Education

KEAN, since its establishment, is implementing experiential educational programs addressed to students of primary and secondary education. Through these educational programs, the organization has developed a strong interaction with the schools and a Network – "The Green School's Network", which is addressed to students, teachers and parents and is constantly updated for activities and events.

Educational Tours inside the "Environmental Awareness Park Antonis Tritsis"

The educational tours consist of 2 different interactive, experiential educational projects, based on environmental education and physical activity. The core idea of these projects is to promote learning through a different way, through the combination of knowledge with mild sport activities.

This made up a creative way to spread the concept of sports among children while in the meantime they acquire basic and useful knowledge about environment.

Children are learning about environmental issues, such as water cycle and the most important plant species of our country, through activities that include dancing movements, running and trekking.

School Vegetable Gardens – Young Farmers in action

During this educational project students are invited to create their own vegetable garden inside their school facilities and have the chance to learn outdoors.

The specialized educators of KEAN guide and support the school students on how to build, plant, and maintain a school vegetable garden and both teachers and students are getting fully involved.

The aim of the project is to increase children's knowledge of nature and plant growth, to promote the healthy development and to enhance the role of agriculture in the children's lives (food chain). Students learn where food really comes from and understand the role of food in life. Moreover, the creation of the vegetable garden teaches the children the values of cooperation and team spirit as the children have to work cooperatively for its creation and maintenance and further develops their observation skills.

School Recycling Workshops for kids

The aim of the workshop is to raise children's awareness regarding environmental protection and recycling.

During the workshop, children learn the value of recycling, the proper way to recycle and how they can reuse materials and have the opportunity to make recyclable paper by their own.

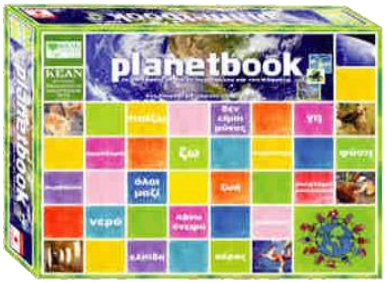
Workshops against Bullying

The workshops are addressed to children aged between 10 and 17 years old and include group work and experiential activities through which children are getting informed about bullying, its definition and characteristics, how to distinguish it from other types of behavior, and how to deal with the phenomenon in case of a future incident.

Learn & Play with Planetbook

Planetbook is the first board game for the Environment, created by KEAN-Cell of Alternative Youth and is also presented in a floor-sized version (36 square meters), including 700 questions of knowledge, which have been undertaken by the University of Athens and specifically by the "Centre for Research, Study and Applications in Environmental Education", concerning the environmental problems of our planet, NGOs for our planet's protection and the four elements.

During the educational program "Learn & Play with Planetbook" children, divided into 4 teams, experience and enjoy playing on the floor-sized version of "Planetbook Game" and get sensitized and aware of the responsibility that we all have towards the environment.



The first educational board game for the environment and the planet!

Under the Auspices of

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Events, Voluntary Activities & Projects

Participation in the Informative Festival Erasmus+ Village

› *Informing young people about the opportunities and projects of Erasmus+ Programme.*
› *Special Experiential, Environmental Workshop addressed to attendees.*

Participation in the 1st Volunteer Forum of the Prefecture of Attica

8 December 2019
in Peace & Friendship Stadium

World Refugee Day 2019

On World Refugee Day, every year on June 20, we honor the strength, courage and perseverance of millions of our fellow human beings who have been forced to flee their homes. All over the world, communities, schools, businesses, collectives and people of all ages are taking big and small steps to show solidarity with refugees. On this World Refugee Day, we call on the whole world to unite our voices and take a step with the refugees.

KEAN participated with Planetbook and other actions supported by our office in Ioannina.

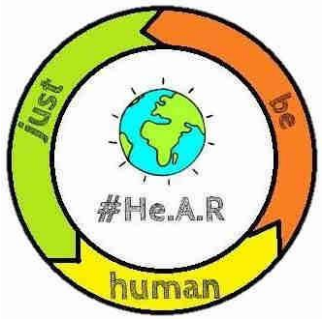
On Thursday, June 20, 2019, the UN High Commissioner for Refugees, KEAN and other non-governmental organizations operating in Epirus, organized a series of actions implemented on the occasion of World Refugee Day. Ioannina honored Refugee day and celebrated the harmonious coexistence of the communities living in the city.

20-22 June 2019
Celebrating World Refugee Day

In cooperation with the UNHCR

EVS – European Voluntary Service Projects

KEAN is accredited to run projects under European Voluntary Service – part of the European Union's Erasmus+ and Solidarity Corps Programmes



Coordinating, Hosting & Sending Organisation

- ✓ **Personal, Professional & Social Competences**
- ✓ **Social Integration**

- ✓ **Language Skills**

During 2019, KEAN hosted 16 young people for long-term volunteerism (6 months