

# ACTIVITIES REPORT 2016

To the members of the 13<sup>th</sup> General Assembly of Social Youth Development

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#### Introduction

K.A.NE., in the almost 9 years of its existence offers a wide range of services to youth. Through youth work both local and international, we develop socio-educational activities like youth learning mobility, youth exchanges, seminars, training courses, counseling, coaching, conferences, mentoring and information.

Through the Youth Centre of Kalamata we are offering for free, approximately 45 workshops and lessons per week, for 800 people, one open seminar per week (in collaboration with experts and civil society organisations), and a series of cultural activities.

Through the Kalamata Street Festival we offer opportunities to young artists to present their work to a big audience, to network, to professionalize their arts and to improve their employability as well as to initiate creativity in an international and diverse environment.

In addition, K.A.NE. is offering training services for teachers and educators as well as Erasmus+ courses for youth, youth workers, social workers, young entrepreneurs, teachers, VET learners, VET trainers etc.

Our training methodologies are a combination of formal, non-formal and informal learning activities with the use of technology and science.

In total, since its establishment in 2008, K.A.NE has

- ✓ hosted more than 600 people from all around the world and has sent over 250 people to participate in educational activities
- ✓ coordinated over 50 European projects, including 1 Leonardo Mobility PLM project, 1 Europe for Citizens project, 5 Grundtvig In-service trainings, 1 Grundtvig workshop and 1 Grundtvig Senior Volunteering project
- ✓ been partner in over 150 international projects
- ✓ organised 6 International Conferences in Kalamata
- ✓ created 2 youth structures:
  - The Youth Centre of Kalamata and
  - The Kalamata Street Festival

All of the above are in line with our vision to foster youth motivation and support them in taking initiatives and becoming more active citizens, as well as our mission is to provide educational and training opportunities for youth and people that work in the youth field, as well as fight against any kind of discrimination, foster intercultural and social development, and promote social inclusion and equality, particularly for young people. At organizational level, we promote cooperation among local, regional and international organizations and public bodies.

2016 was a year that allowed the organization to grow and expand its activities even more, acquiring partners from many different countries in 4 continents, exchanging experiences and good practices for supporting youth facing difficult situations (eg. Young people of migrant origin, Roma, people with disabilities, etc) and implementing more activities in the field of Work-Based learning, with a focus on how this can support youth to gain competences that will allow them to have a better position in the labour market.

Closing another successful year, we are setting our goals for 2017. These are the following:

- The sustainability of the Youth Centre of Kalamata, as an independent youth structure run by a team of volunteers
- The implementation of activities focused on work-based learning and the development of activities that will support international learning mobility, esp. in the form of VET traineeships
- Continuation of our activities that aim at active citizenship and participation, promoting volunteerism, combating discrimination, fostering equality, supporting vulnerable groups, training youth and youth workers as well as informational activities for our local community in social, educational, environmental and other issues
- Continuation of the implementation of successful European Voluntary Service projects
- 4 Growth of the Kalamata Street Festival
- Coordination and participation in ERASMUS+ and other European programmes, in line with the aims and objectives of the organisation
- Expansion of the network of the organization at national and international levels
- The general sustainability of the organization and further expansion of its activities
- The recognition of the profession of youth worker and of the importance of non-formal education
- The development of the European ALTIUS network for the promotion of volunteerism and Active Citizenship, which we started in 2015.

## **ACTIVITIES 2016**

## **JANUARY 2016**

**11/01/2016**: Re-opening of the **Youth Centre of Kalamata** after the Christmas Break. The aim of the youth centre of Kalamata is to promote volunteerism and the active participation of young people, foster skills exchange and development and intercultural and intergenerational socialization and dialogue.

The objectives of the Youth Centre of Kalamata are:

- Promotion of volunteerism
- Promotion of non-formal education and lifelong learning
- Promotion of intercultural learning
- Implementation of cultural, social, educational, environmental and other activities for the benefit of our local community
- Support young people with fewer opportunities
- Support youth initiatives and the development of youth-led activities
- Provide information to youth and local community on subjects that interest them
- Empower youth and foster their active participation in civil society activities

From January until May 2016, the following weekly workshops took place in the Youth Centre of Kalamata

#### Dance workshops:

Salsa Salsa/Bachata Bachata Contemporary dance Reggaeton Greek traditional dances Beginners Greek traditional dances Advanced Brazilian Dance Forro (as of April)

#### Language exchange workshops:

French Beginners French Advanced Greek for foreigners Italian Beginners Italian Advanced Spanish Beginners Spanish Advanced English Beginners English Conversation Norwegian Portuguese Greek sign language Beginners Greek sign language Advanced German Polish Russian for Beginners

Martial Arts workshops: Tai Chi

Muay Thai 1 Muay Thai 2 Self Defense

#### Workshops for children:

Creative occupation for children Guitar for children Polish for children Painting for children

#### Other:

Guitar for adults Theatre workshop Juggling Crochet Decoupage Painting for Adults Additionally, from the beginning of the new term of the Youth Centre of Kalamata in October 2016 until the end of the year, the following weekly workshops were taking place:

## Dance workshops: Salsa/Latin Brazilian Dance Forro Greek traditional dances Beginners Greek traditional dances Advanced Modern Dance

#### Language exchange workshops:

Greek sign language Beginners Greek sign language Advanced Greek for foreigners Beginners Greek for foreigners Advanced Polish Turkish English Conversation French Beginners French Advanced German Beginners German Advanced Spanish Dutch Croatian

## **Martial Arts workshops:**

Tai Chi Self Defense Krav Maga Kick-boxing

#### Workshops for children:

Dance for teens Guitar for children

## Other:

Decoupage Beginners Decoupage Advanced Yoga Painting for Adults Classical Guitar for Adults A Classical Guitar for Adults B Film making Movie club Theatre workshop Creative arts Book club Bartending

## **JANUARY 2016**

**09/01/2016 – 10/01/2016:** 2-day training of the 12 young migrants that would participate as mentees in the pilot phase of the MentorPower project. Trainers were Ms Mariliana Diamantaki and Ms Sofia Konstantinea, under the supervision of Ms Fotini Arapi.

MentorPower is a project that aims to pilot a model of "Engagement Mentoring", an innovative and sustainable program for migrant youth aged 16 - 25, for a two-year period (2015 - 2017). The objective is to facilitate their integration in social life and in the labour market, through mentoring.

The project is supported by the Erasmus+ program, KA2/Strategic Partnerships in the field of Youth, of the European Commission and gathers a consortium of international partners (France, Greece, Norway, Spain, Switzerland and Turkey).

K.A.NE. was represented in this meeting by Mr Filaretos Vourkos, director and Ms Olga Solomakou, mentor.

**20/01/2016:** Publication of the booklet "Kalamata Through EVS Eyes" created by our EVS volunteer from Italy, Ms Tania Lagana (https://issuu.com/kane.kalamata/docs/klmt\_through\_evs\_eyes)

**22/01/2016:** Event in the Youth Centre of Kalamata: Cutting of the Traditional New Year's Cake (vassilopita) of the Youth Centre of Kalamata.

**27/1/2016** - **2/2/2016**: Sending of 2 participants to the seminar "VOLUNTEER MANAGEMENT ENHANCED", that took place in Lefkosia, Cyprus, implemented in the framework of the ERASMUS+ programme/KA1 Mobility of Youth Workers.

**31/01/2016:** In an event in the Youth Centre of Kalamata, the 12 mentors and 12 mentees that participate in the pilot mentoring programme of the MentorPower ERASMUS+ KA2 strategic partnership in the field of youth project met each other. All mentors and mentees participate on a voluntary basis and, as part of the mentoring process, together they will take initiatives and create together different civil society activities.

**31/01/2016:** Publication of LinK newsletter N. 73 (https://issuu.com/kane.kalamata/docs/link\_73)

## **FEBRUARY 2016**

**01/02/2016:** Welcoming of Ms Marjolaine Bencharel from France, as EVS volunteer in the framework of the ERASMUS+ programme, KA1/European Voluntary Service. The volunteer was hosted in Kalamata for 6 months and supported the organization of the 9<sup>th</sup> Kalamata Street Festival and its pre-festival activities.

**01/02/2016:** Welcoming of Ms leva Berzina from Latvia, in the framework of the ERASMUS+ placement programme for traineeships of university students. She is a students of Cultural Management in University of Culture and Economics in Riga/Latvia. Ms Berzina was hosted in Kalamata for 2,5 months and supported the organization of the cultural activities of K.A.NE. organization.

**04/02/2016:** Event in the Youth Centre of Kalamata: Love in Chekhov or Chekhov in Love? Presentation of 7 scenes from plays by Anton Chekhov by the participants of the Theatre Workshop of the Youth Centre of Kalamata

**11/02/2016:** Event in the Youth Centre of Kalamata: More than Mystery! 2-hour Tribal Fusion Belly Dance Seminar

**15/02/2016:** Publication of LinK newsletter N. 74 (https://issuu.com/kane.kalamata/docs/link 74)

18/02/2016: Event in the Youth Centre of Kalamata: Soap Making Seminar

19/02/2016: Event in the Youth Centre of Kalamata: Crazy 80's Dance Party

**21/02/2016** – **27/02/2016**: 1<sup>st</sup> international seminar "Fighting Youth Unemployment with Social Innovation projects" of the ERASMUS+/KA2 Capacity Building in the Field of Youth project titled "Seeding Social Innovation in Local Communities!". The seminar was implemented in Hanoi Vietnam and was addressed to youth workers of the participating organisations. K.A.NE. was represented in the seminar by Ms Fotini Arapi, youth worker/project manager, Ms Jelena Scepanovic, EVS coordinator and Ms Evgenia Chronopoulou, mentor.

The "Seeding Social Innovation in Local Communities!" project is implemented in the framework of the programme ERASMUS+/KA2 Capacity Building in the Field of Youth involving organisations from Europe and other parts of the world.

The main aim of the project is to promote active youth participation in their communities and to build youth workers' and youth leaders' capacity to maximize youths potential for social innovation and entrepreneurship in tackling the problems of youth unemployment and for promoting social inclusion, social innovation, gender empowerment and sustainable human development in participating communities.

25/02/2016: Event in the Youth Centre of Kalamata: Decoupage Seminar

**25/02/2016:** First preparation meeting for the Street Opera pre-festival event that took place in April 2016

## **MARCH 2016**

**01/03/2016:** Sending of Ms Konstadina Adamidou as ERASMUS+/KA1 EVS volunteer in Katowice, Poland for 06 months. Konstantina was hosted by Bona Fides organization.

**01/03/2016:** Establishment of K.A.NE.'s second affiliated organization "Social Development for Youth –K.A.NE." in Cyprus

**03/03/2016:** Event in the Youth Centre of Kalamata: TsiknoPempti. Celebration of the traditional Greek "Fat Thursday", with music and food (esp. grilled meat)

10/03/2016: Event in the Youth Centre of Kalamata: Pilates Seminar

**11/03/2016:** Announcement of the contest for the poster of the 9<sup>th</sup> Kalamata Street Festival

**15/03/2016:** Publication of LinK newsletter N. 75 (https://issuu.com/kane.kalamata/docs/link\_75)

**18/03/2016 - 20/03/2016:** Organisation of the 3rd international event of the Europe for Citizens project « Act Locally, Think Internationally, Union(S) elections – A.L.T.I.U.S. » in Kalamata, Greece. The event involved 203 citizens, including 1 participant from the city of Rezekne, Latvia, 1 participant from the city of Razlog, Bulgaria, 1 participant from the city of Slavonski Brod, Croatia, 1 participant from the city of Bologna, Italy and 1 participant from the city of Marseilles, France.

The event that was organized in the framework of K.A.NE.'s aim for the promotion of active participation and volunteerism, was an international conference with the title "Active Participation as Means for Community Development". The conference took place in the amphitheatre Theodoros Aggelopoulos in Kalamata, on the 18th and 19th of March, while on the 20th of March seminars/workshops on the topic were implemented at the Youth Centre of Kalamata.

The event was very successful. All the videos from the conference were uploaded on K.A.NE. TV youtube channel and can be found here: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=WCHaL1aMedo&list=PL9EAH0pM1j1xc6GA1Jn B86JJEQtUYjiO-

19/03/2016: Event in the Youth Centre of Kalamata: Martial Arts Seminar

**21/3/2016** - **28/3/2016**: Sending of 4 young people and 1 Youth leader to participate in the ERASMUS+/KA1 Mobility of Young people Youth Exchange titled "SPRINTERS – A NEW EUROPEAN NETWORK N MASS SPORTS" that took place in Ramnicu Sarat, Romania

**24/03/2016:** Double event in the Youth Centre of Kalamata. It started with a 2-hour seminar to present the Brazilian Dance Forro, followed by an interactive quiz game in English, prepared by our EVS volunteers

**29/03/2016:** Renovation of the 1<sup>st</sup> floor of the Youth Centre of Kalamata by its volunteers

## **APRIL 2016**

**01/04/2016:** Event in the Youth Centre of Kalamata: Anniversary Party for the 8 years of K.A.NE. Social Youth Development and the 7 years of the Youth Centre of Kalamata.

**01/04/2016:** Publication of LinK newsletter N. 76 (https://issuu.com/kane.kalamata/docs/link\_76)

**07/04/2016:** Event in the Youth Centre of Kalamata: Creating lamps using recyclable materials and restoring furniture

**07/04/2016:** Publication on the K.A.NE. TV Youtube channel of the short videodocumentary created for the 7 years of the Youth Centre of Kalamata (https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=8lVNnGu9vJw&nohtml5=False)

**07/04/2016:** Publication on the K.A.NE. TV Youtube channel of the video with moments from the Love in Chekhov or Chekhov in love event that took place in the beginning of February in the Youth Centre of Kalamata. (https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Lq3ezUYPMWY&feature=youtu.be)

**08/04/2016 - 10/04/2016:** Organisation of the 5<sup>th</sup> international event of the project « Act Locally, Think Internationally, Union(S) elections – A.L.T.I.U.S. » in Slavonski Brod, Croatia. The event involved 119 citizens, including 1 participant from the city of Rezekne, Latvia, 1 participant from the city of Razlog, Bulgaria, 1 participant from the city of kalamata, Greece, 1 participant from the city of Bologna, Italy and 1 participant from the city of Marseilles, France

The aim of the event was to present the newly created ALTIUS network and to go deeper into the subject of Volunteerism and Active Citizenship at both local and European levels. The event organised by Europe House Slavonski Brod was dedicated to concept of active citizenship and promotion of volunteerism. During the event, the speakers presented the EU programs and financial instruments that promote active European citizenship, encourage cooperation between citizens and organizations from different countries, make the development of a sense of belonging to common European ideals easier and promote the process of European integration.

**14/04/2016:** Event in the Youth Centre of Kalamata: EVS Café. An event in which K.A.NE.'s EVS volunteers informed local youth about the European Voluntary Service and other international learning mobility opportunities.

**15/04/2016:** Sending of Ms Dimitrina Gueorguieva as ERASMUS+/KA1 EVS volunteer in Anzio, Italy for 04 months. Dimitrina supported the work of the farm ASINO CHI LEGGE, which provides learning opportunities to people with special needs.

**15/04/2016:** Publication of LinK newsletter N. 77 (https://issuu.com/kane.kalamata/docs/link\_77)

**15/04/2016 – 18/04/2016:** Sending of 1 Youth leader to participate in the Advanced Planning Visit for the ERASMUS+/KA1 Mobility of Young people Youth Exchange titled "ACT for our Europe," that took place in Oeiras, Portugal

**16/04/2016:** Street Opera, the 1<sup>st</sup> pre-festival event of the 9<sup>th</sup> Kalamata Street Festival. As an echo and in an absolutely unique way, the Street Opera Project brought together different artistic groups of Kalamata and as well, separate points of view to look on art. All the people are passionate in music, theatre, dance and paintings. From the folkloric singer to the rock band, from the dancing class to the women choir to the theatre or climbing club or the soup cooks... everybody! All this

persons became part of the huge show, performed in the public space of Kalamata, on the Agioi Apostoloi Square. The event was an initiative of our EVS volunteer from France, Ms Marjolaine Bencharel and directed by Ms Dorothea Lubbe, Art Director from Germany

Video with moments from the event: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=VRHq61xUAMg

**18/04/2016:** Welcoming of Mr Oskar Schrattenecker from Austria, as EVS volunteer in the framework of the ERASMUS+ programme, KA1/European Voluntary Service. The volunteer will be hosted in Kalamata for 12 months and will support the work of the Youth Centre of Kalamata.

**20/04/2016:** Welcoming of Ms Aurora Passone from Italy, as EVS volunteer in the framework of the ERASMUS+ programme, KA1/European Voluntary Service. The volunteer was hosted in Kalamata for 6 months and supported the work of the KEFIAP centre of people with special needs as well as the work of the IPPOSHESI therapeutic horse riding centre.

**21/04/2016:** Event in the Youth Centre of Kalamata: Short Video competition. Contestants sent us videos created using mobile phones, before the event. The videos were projected during the event and the audience voted for the final winner.

## **MAY 2016**

**05/05/2016** - **12/05/2016**: Meeting in Kalamata, Greece of mentors from Greece and Turkey that are participating in the MentorPower pilot engagement mentoring programme. Specifically, in the meeting participated 9 mentors from Greece and 5 mentors from Turkey, as well as the 2 coordinators of the activity, one from each country. This meeting gave the opportunity to the mentors that participated in the project in Kalamata and the mentors from Turkey to meet and exchange experiences, ideas and good practices regarding the implementation of the mentoring programme, but also share the challenges that they are facing and try to find common solution.

**07/05/2016:** Welcoming of Mr Armagan Tokat from Turkey, as EVS volunteer in the framework of the ERASMUS+ programme, KA1/European Voluntary Service. The volunteer was hosted in Kalamata for 4 months and the activities of K.A.NE. organization.

**12/05/2016:** Event in the Youth Centre of Kalamata: Seminar of Brazilian Dance Forro

**18/05/2016:** Publication of LinK newsletter N. 78 (https://issuu.com/kane.kalamata/docs/link\_78)

**19/05/2016:** Presentation of the Book "Non-Violent Communication" by Mr Giorgos Tsitsirigkos in the Bibliopolis Bookshop. The presentation was implemented in collaboration with Bibliopolis, KANE and Mataroa organization.

**20/05/2016:** Welcoming of Ms Ruya Hazar from Turkey, as EVS volunteer in the framework of the ERASMUS+ programme, KA1/European Voluntary Service. The volunteer will be hosted in Kalamata for 12 months and will support the work of the Youth Centre of Kalamata.

**20/05/2016:** Event in the Youth Centre of Kalamata: Interactive Workshop on Non-Violent communication

**24/05/2016** - **31/05/2016**: Sending of 5 participants to the international training course that was implemented in Zadar, Croatia in the framework of the ERASMUS+/KA2 Capacity Building in the Field of Youth project titled "Seeding Social Innovation in Local Communities!". The last day of the seminar, the participants participated in the Awareness raising festival: "Idea Manifestation - Bringing International Minds Together".

**26/05/2016:** 2<sup>nd</sup> Pre-festival event of the 9<sup>th</sup> Kalamata Street Festival: Projection of Short Movies. The event took place in Mpoukadoura café. The short movies were provided by the International Documentary Festival of Peloponnese and the 8th Artfools video festival – Larissa

28/05/2016: Event in the Youth Centre of Kalamata: Dance Party

## **JUNE 2016**

**01/06/2016:** Publication of LinK newsletter N. 79 (https://issuu.com/kane.kalamata/docs/link\_79)

**01/06/2016:** Sending of Ms Andrianna Voutou as ERASMUS+/KA1 EVS volunteer in Digne les Bains, France for 12 months. Andrianna will contribute to the children and youth activities of Léo Lagrange Méditerranée, La Sympathie organization.

**05/06/2016:** Sending of Ms Melissanthi Kosmopoulou as ERASMUS+/KA1 EVS volunteer in Malaga, Spain for 03 months. Melissanthi contributed to the children and youth activities of Asociación TRANS.

**11/06/2016:** Event in the Youth Centre of Kalamata: Closing party on the roof-top of the Youth Centre of Kalamata

**15/06/2016:** Publication of LinK newsletter N. 80 (https://issuu.com/kane.kalamata/docs/link\_80)

**16/06/2016** - **18/06/2016**: Organisation of the 5<sup>th</sup> international event of the project « Act Locally, Think Internationally, Union(S) elections – A.L.T.I.U.S. » in Bologna,

Italy. The event involved 61 citizens, including 1 participant from the city of Rezekne, Latvia, 1 participant from the city of Razlog, Bulgaria, 1 participant from the city of kalamata, Greece, 1 participant from the city of Slavonski Brod, Croatia and 1 participant from the city of Marseilles, France. The aim of the event was for the partners to evaluate the project and its results, as well as to discuss follow-up activities and the future steps of the ALTIUS network. During the public event that was organised the project and the ALTIUS network were presented, as well as good practices and examples of Active Citizenship and initiatives at both local as well as international levels. This event marked the successful closing of the project.

**18/06/2016:** 3<sup>rd</sup> Pre-festival event of the 9<sup>th</sup> Kalamata Street Festival: Metamorphosis- Youth Center Gallery Project. An art-exhibition in the Youth Centre of Kalamata. The event was an initiative of our EVS volunteer from France, Marie-Noelle Bondois.

**19/6/2016** - **30/6/2016**: Sending of 4 young people and 1 Youth leader to participate in the ERASMUS+/KA1 Mobility of Young people Youth Exchange titled "Act for Our Europe" that took place in Oeiras, Portugal

**22/06/2016:** Welcoming of 10 short-term EVS volunteers from France, Sweden and Italy. The volunteers were hosted in Kalamata for 1,5 months and supported the implementation of the 9<sup>th</sup> Kalamata Street Festival.

**22/06/2016** - **27/06/2016**: Participation of EVS volunteers hosted by K.A.NE. in the on-arrival seminar organized in Athens by the Greek ERASMUS+ youth National Agency.

**28/06/2016** - **02/07/2016**: Participation of EVS volunteers hosted by K.A.NE. in the mid-term evaluation seminar organized in Athens by the Greek ERASMUS+ youth National Agency.

## **JULY 2016**

**02/07/2016 - 03/07/2016:** Sending of 1 Youth leader to participate in the Advanced Planning Visit for the ERASMUS+/KA1 Mobility of Young people Youth Exchange titled "Rhythm 'n' Peace," that took place in Nimes, France

**10/7/2016** - **13/7/2016**: Sending of 1 Youth leader to participate in the Advanced Planning Visit for the ERASMUS+/KA1 Mobility of Young people Youth Exchange titled "SPRINTERS – A NEW EUROPEAN NETWORK N MASS SPORTS," that took place in Ramnicu Sarat, Romania

**11/07/2016** - **18/07/2016**: Sending of 5 young people and 1 Youth leader to participate in the ERASMUS+/KA1 Mobility of Young people Youth Exchange titled "Volunteering for a Better Tomorrow" that took place in Kragujevac, Serbia

**17/07/2016** - **26/07/2016**: Sending of 3 participants to the international seminar that took place in Bologna, Italy, implemented in the framework of the ERASMUS+/KA2 Capacity Building in the Field of Youth project titled "BEE- Building Empowering Environment for Youth Employability".

The "BEE- Building Empowering Environment for Youth Employability" project is implemented in the framework of the programme ERASMUS+/KA2 Capacity Building in the Field of Youth involving organisations from Europe and other parts of the world.

The main aim of the project is to foster youth employability by creating an empowering environment to enable young people to undergo a work-based learning period and to foster links between formal education, non-formal education and labour market.

**21/7/2016 - 29/7/2016:** Sending of 2 participants to the training course "Facing the Street: Using photography and video as tools for social inclusion", that took place in Ljubljana, Slovenia, implemented in the framework of the ERASMUS+ programme/KA1 Mobility of Youth Workers.

## 28/07/2016 – 31/07/2016: 9<sup>th</sup> Kalamata Street Festival

The Kalamata Street Festival was back and bigger than ever! The 9th international festival, was held in the Municipal Railway Park of Kalamata, and for the 1<sup>st</sup> time in its history lasted for 4 days, from the 28<sup>th</sup> to the 31<sup>st</sup> of July, featuring an enhanced series of concerts by Greek and international musicians, as well as parallel events organised by local organisations and guest groups and artists!!!

## Aim of the 9th Kalamata Street Festival

The aim of the Kalamata Street Festival is to foster youth creativity through cultural and sporting events, and to contribute to the development of the cultural identity of the prefecture of Messinia.

The 9th Kalamata Street Festival combined cultural, sporting and social activities, and wished to:

- Create the appropriate space for the youth to express their creativity, and provide the public with learning and entertainment opportunities.

- Promote active participation and healthy socialisation of young people, thus preventing social pathology.

- Highlight public space, as meeting, co-creation and social development area.

## The 9th Kalamata Street Festival:

The 9th Kalamata Street Festival was on 28-29-30-31 July, at the Municipal Railway Park. The Kalamata Street Festival is an international voluntary structure organised by K.A.NE. Social Youth Development and the Youth Centre of Kalamata, with the support of the Region of Peloponnese - Regional District of Messinia and local

associations, organisations and groups of Kalamata. Entry to the events was, as always, free.

The Kalamata Street Festival featured more than 20 parallel events, combining youth creativity, intergenerational cooperation and preservation of the cultural heritage of our prefecture. The festival hosted theatre performances, concerts, dance groups, sporting activities, educational actions for children and young people, short-film and video-art screenings, painting exhibitions, artistic installations and an environmental stand. It also provided young creators, artists and athletes with a space for expression, and motivate them to participate in more activities in the future, bringing equivalent recognition to their place of origin.

Though the main part of the Festival took place at the end of July, the 9th festival events begun in April. Since then, three international artistic events have been presented, the Street Opera, a short-film screening and the Metamorphosis exhibition.

#### PROGRAMME OF THE KALAMATA STREET FESTIVAL

#### Pre-festival events:

April 16th: Street Opera, Church the Holy Apostles square - Fifty artists from Kalamata and around the world came together to create this event, directed by German artist Dorothea Lubbe and French Marjolen Bencharel.

May 26th: Short-film screening, Boukadoura - in cooperation with the International Documentary Festival of the Peloponnese, with the participation of the 8th Film Festival of Larissa "Artfools".

June 18th: Metamorphosis exhibition, Youth Centre of Kalamata - Art gallery event with the participation of 10 artists from Kalamata and abroad, under the coordination of French artist Marie-Noel Bondois

#### Main series of events – Central Stage:

**Thursday, July 28th** Sleeping Pillow (Thessaloniki) Sun Rain in Life (Athens) Frozen Path (Kalamata)

#### Friday, July 29th

Fundracar (Athens) Balkan Riddims (Arta) Fish Himself (Patras)

#### Saturday, July 30th

Last Drive (Athens) George Gakis & Troublemakers + special guest TBA Kalamata (Germany) MrBooze (Kalamata) Grannies Stolen Pills (Kalamata)

#### Sunday, July 31st

Baildsa (Thessaloniki) Thehalaylamba Band (Patras)

#### Vassilis Rallis (Patras)

#### Main series of events - Parallel events

- Juggling and acrobatic performances
- Photography and painting exhibitions
- Video screenings
- Sporting events (basketball tournament, biking, climbing, competitive trampoline)
- Aerials
- Dance
- Street-theatre performances
- Bazaar
- Dance workshops
- Self Defence workshop
- Workshop on volunteerism
- Creative occupation of children
- Painting workshops for children
- Artistic installations

**Participants / Co-organisers:** Region of the Peloponnese – Regional Unit of Messinia, Miden Festival, Filmhouse (New Kalamata Cinema Club), "Athlos" Gymnastics Association, Re:Think, Foifa Natural Cultivation Farm, Kallitexniko Steki, Europe Direct, Greek Mountaineering club of Kalamata, Photography club of Kalamata, Samareites volunteers of the Kalamata Red Cross

The Association of Cretans "Psiloritis" allowed us to use their facilities during the festival.

Sponsors: Athenian Brewery, Pizza Fun, Tzimis, To spiti tou Agroti, K.E.M, Rodanthos, Liakakis agriculture, Illission and Theatro, Greenland, Roumpos

Supporters: Burgerer's, En Choiridio, Bake my Day, Tricky, Ellas cafe, Loufa, tis Kakomoiras, Galerie De Beaute Revvas, Street Pasta, Tampakis rooms, Kyma, Alma Sport, Memphis

The 9th Kalamata Street Festival was also supported by:

- DarknetPromotionAgency
- 3PLab

## **AUGUST 2016**

**19/8/2016** - **24/8/2016**: Sending of Ms Konstantina Avrami and Ms Konstantina Tsoli as short-term ERASMUS+/KA1 EVS volunteer in Lyssos, Cyprus for 1 month.

**19/08/2016** - **26/08/2016**: Sending of 4 young people to the youth exchange "Handicrafts Freaks" that took place in Mrągowo, Poland, implemented in the framework of the ERASMUS+ programme/KA1 Mobility of Young People.

**19/8/2016 - 26/8/2016:** Sending of 4 young people and 1 Youth leader to participate in the ERASMUS+/KA1 Mobility of Young people Youth Exchange titled "SPRINTERS – A NEW EUROPEAN NETWORK N MASS SPORTS" that took place in Eforie Sud, Romania

**30/08/2016** - **04/09/2016**: Sending of 4 young people and 1 Youth leader to participate in the ERASMUS+/KA1 Mobility of Young people Youth Exchange titled "Rhythm'n'peace" that took place in Nimes, France

**31/08/2016:** Publication on the KalamataStrFest YouTube channel of the video with moments from the 9th Kalamata Street Festival.

#### SEPTEMBER 2016

**01/09/2016:** Sending of Mr Evangelos Kyritsis as ERASMUS+/KA1 EVS volunteer in Palermo, Italy for 06 months. Evangelos will support the work of the Officina Creativa Interculturale children centre.

**03/09/2016** - **08/09/2016**: Sending of 3 participants to the training course "Happy Community!", that took place in Brno, Czech Republic, implemented in the framework of the ERASMUS+ programme/KA1 Mobility of Youth Workers.

**05/09/2016:** Welcoming of Ms Renée Hoogenboom from the Netherlands, as EVS volunteer in the framework of the ERASMUS+ programme, KA1/European Voluntary Service. The volunteer will be hosted in Kalamata for 11 months and will support the work of the KEFIAP centre of people with special needs as well as the work of the IPPOSHESI therapeutic horse riding centre.

**05/09/2016:** Welcoming of Ms Rosa Vernoj from the Netherlands, as EVS volunteer in the framework of the ERASMUS+ programme, KA1/European Voluntary Service. The volunteer will be hosted in Kalamata for 11 months and will support the work of the Day Care Centre for children and Teenagers with Autism.

**06/09/2016:** Welcoming of Ms Sara Amghar from France, as EVS volunteer in the framework of the ERASMUS+ programme, KA1/European Voluntary Service. The volunteer will be hosted in Kalamata for 11 months and will support the work of the KEFIAP centre of people with special needs as well as the work of the IPPOSHESI therapeutic horse riding centre.

**06/09/2016:** Sending of Ms Anthoula Soulioti as ERASMUS+/KA1 EVS volunteer in Bologna, Italy for 12 months. Anthoula will support the work of Centro Sociale Montanari

**06/09/2016:** Welcoming of Ms Molly O Doherty from the UK, as EVS volunteer in the framework of the ERASMUS+ programme, KA1/European Voluntary Service. The volunteer will be hosted in Kalamata for 12 months and will support the activities of K.A.NE. organization.

**07/09/2016:** Open Meeting in the Youth Centre of Kalamata to discuss the opening of the Youth Centre and prepare for the next term

**08/09/2016 – 09/08/2016:** Participation in the 4<sup>th</sup> Transnational meeting of the MentorPower ERASMUS+ KA2 strategic partnership in the field of youth project in Grimstad, Norway. During this meeting, the partners discussed the progress of the project, the details of the upcoming training of trainers and the next steps. K.A.NE. was represented in this meeting by Ms Fotini Arapi, project manager.

**12/09/2016** - **17/09/2016**: Sending of 3 participants to the training course "OPEN RURALITY - exploring rural social innovation generators and co-define new rurality" that took place in Galatone, Italy, implemented in the framework of the ERASMUS+ programme/KA1 Mobility of Youth Workers.

**14/09/2016:** Sending of Ms Dionysia Kappa as ERASMUS+/KA1 EVS volunteer in Nimes, France for 12 months. Dionysia will support the work of the Europe House in Nîmes.

19/09/2016: Opening of the Youth Centre of Kalamata for registrations

**30/09/2016:** Publication of LinK newsletter N. 81 (https://issuu.com/kane.kalamata/docs/link\_81)

## **OCTOBER 2016**

**01/10/2016:** Sending of Ms Argyro Ntanavara as ERASMUS+/KA1 EVS volunteer in Anzio, Italy for 8 months. Argyro will support the "education in nature" pilot project, involving primary school children.

**01/10/2016:** Welcoming of Ms Tea Krizanec from Croatia, as EVS volunteer in the framework of the ERASMUS+ programme, KA1/European Voluntary Service. The volunteer will be hosted in Kalamata for 12 months and will participate in the ARTIVISTES project.

**02/10/2016:** Sending of Ms Aspasia Eleni Dossara as ERASMUS+/KA1 EVS volunteer in Madrid, Spain for 9 months. Aspasia Eleni will support social and cultural activities of the Building Bridges Association.

**02/10/2016:** Cleaning of Divari beach. Local and EVS volunteers of K.A.NE. and the Youth Centre of Kalamata participated in an initiative to clean the Divari Beach, an NATURA 2000 protected area. The action was implemented in collaboration with Captain Vassilis and Carmen Constantakopoulos Foundation.

**03/10/2016:** Welcoming in Kalamata, of Ms Thanh Vy, youth worker and project coordinator in Sj Vietnam organisation. Ms Thanh stayed in Kalamata for a 2-week job shadowing activity in the framework of the project Seeding Social Innovation in

Local Communities implemented under the ERASMUS+ programme, KA2 Capacity Building in the Field of Youth and coordinated by Europe House Slavonski Brod organisation from Croatia.

03/10/2016: Beginning of the workshops in the Youth Centre of Kalamata

**04/10/2016:** Welcoming of Mr Arthur Gallagher from France, as EVS volunteer in the framework of the ERASMUS+ programme, KA1/European Voluntary Service. The volunteer will be hosted in Kalamata for 12 months and will participate in the ARTIVISTES project.

**04/10/2016:** Welcoming of Mr Oscar Villarraso López from Spain, as EVS volunteer in the framework of the ERASMUS+ programme, KA1/European Voluntary Service. The volunteer will be hosted in Kalamata for 12 months and will support the work of the Youth Centre of Kalamata.

**04/10/2016:** Welcoming of Ms Aroa Liébana Rellán from Spain, as EVS volunteer in the framework of the ERASMUS+ programme, KA1/European Voluntary Service. The volunteer will be hosted in Kalamata for 12 months and will support the work of the KEFIAP centre of people with special needs as well as the work of the IPPOSHESI therapeutic horse riding centre.

**05/10/2016:** Welcoming of Ms Laura Gimenez from France, as EVS volunteer in the framework of the ERASMUS+ programme, KA1/European Voluntary Service. The volunteer will be hosted in Kalamata for 12 months and will support the activities of K.A.NE. organization.

**05/10/2016:** Event in the Youth Centre of Kalamata: "To Know Us Better!!!". A special night at the Youth Centre of Kalamata where the instructors of the workshops shared details and facts about their workshops. The participants also had the chance to meet and discuss with our volunteers from different countries (Austria, Netherlands, turkey, France, Spain, and Croatia).

**10/10/2016:** Welcoming of Ms Martyna Czypicka from Poland, as EVS volunteer in the framework of the ERASMUS+ programme, KA1/European Voluntary Service. The volunteer will be hosted in Kalamata for 12 months and will participate in the ARTIVISTES project.

**10/10/2016:** Publication of Part 1 of the calendar of the job shadower Nguyen Thi Thanh Vy from Vietnam (https://issuu.com/kane.kalamata/docs/diary-jobshadowing-vy\_week1)

**10/10/2016 – 14/10/2016:** 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Meeting of the MCN network in Lisbon, Portugal. K.A.NE. was represented in the meeting by Mr Filaretos Vourkos, Director.

**12/10/2016:** Event in the Youth Centre of Kalamata: CV seminar. In this seminar, our expert, Ms Vassiliki Dadavassili gave useful information, tips and good practices on writing a CV and presenting oneself during a job interview

**14/10/2016:** Event in the Youth Centre of Kalamata: Opening Party. Party to celebrate the opening of the Youth Centre of Kalamata for one more "school" period!

**15/10/2016:** Publication of LinK newsletter N. 82 (https://issuu.com/kane.kalamata/docs/link\_82)

**18/10/2016:** Introduction of the photo-competition "Zoom on Kalamata". The aim of the competition is to discover different aspects of the city and for this, there is a new theme every month. Theme for October: Autumn says goodbye to summer with the softness kiss.

**19/10/2016:** Event in the Youth Centre of Kalamata: Bring Your Needles. During the event we were introduced to the Crochet club of Kalamata and we were initiated in the art of knitting.

26/10/2016: Event in the Youth Centre of Kalamata: Halloween Make-up workshop

26/10/2016: Event in the Youth Centre of Kalamata: Capoeira Night

**26/10/2016:** Publication of Part 2 of the calendar of the job shadower Nguyen Thi Thanh Vy from Vietnam (https://issuu.com/kane.kalamata/docs/diary-jobshadowing-vy-secondweek)

## **NOVEMBER 2016**

**01/11/2016:** Publication of LinK newsletter N. 83 (https://issuu.com/kane.kalamata/docs/link\_83)

**01/11/2016:** Sending of Ms Vassiliki Tsoumpa as ERASMUS+/KA1 EVS volunteer in Marseilles, France for 10 months. Vassiliki will contribute to the activities of Pistes Solidaires Méditerranée organisation.

**01/11/2016:** Beginning of the job-shadowing activity in SJ Vietnam organization in Hanoi, Vietnam. K.A.NE. organization was represented in the activity by Mr Filaretos Vourkos, Director. This job-shadowing activity lasted 2 weeks and was implemented in the framework of the ERASMUS+/KA2 Capacity Building in the Field of Youth project titled "Seeding Social Innovation in Local Communities!".

**02/11/2016:** Event in the Youth Centre of Kalamata: The Value of Breastfeeding. In the framework of the World Breastfeeding Week, the Messinian group for the support of breast-feeding and motherhood explained the value of breastfeeding and answer to questions of the participants.

**03/11/2016** - **10/11/2016**: Sending of 3 participants to the training course "Leadership+", that took place in Oeiras, Portugal, implemented in the framework of the ERASMUS+ programme/KA1 Mobility of Youth Workers.

**04/11/2016:** Beginning of the job-shadowing activity in YOUNET organization in Bologna, Italy. K.A.NE. organization was represented in the activity by Mr Vyron Giannakopoulos, external collaborator. This job-shadowing activity lasted 2 weeks and was implemented in the framework of the ERASMUS+/KA2 Capacity Building in the Field of Youth project titled "BEE- Building Empowering Environment for Youth Employability".

**07/11/2016** - **09/11/2016**: Sending of Ms Nantiana Koutiva, EVS support person to participate in the Advanced Planning Visit for the ERASMUS+/KA1 European Voluntary Service project titled "G.I.V.E.," that took place in Lisbon, Portugal.

**09/11/2016:** Event in the Youth Centre of Kalamata: Fun and games night. Started with a stand-up comedy performance and moved on to board games and karaoke. A perfect opportunity for socializing and meeting between the members of the Youth Centre of Kalamata.

**15/11/2016** – **16/12/2016**: Implementation of the ERASMUS+/KA1 short-term European Voluntary service project with the title "OLIVE(S) vol.2" in the village of Kompoi in the region of Messinia, Greece. "OLIVE(S) vol.2" was a well-structured EVS project, with the aim, to bring the volunteers closer to nature and a more natural and healthier way of life, through educational, ecological and cultural activities, and combining tradition and history with the modern way of life. In the project participated 11 young people from Spain, Italy, France, Sweden and Poland.

**16/11/2016:** Event in the Youth Centre of Kalamata: Creating using old clothes and fabrics

**16/11/2016:** Publication of LinK newsletter N. 84 (https://issuu.com/kane.kalamata/docs/link\_84)

**18/11/2016:** Event in the Youth Centre of Kalamata: Intercultural night. EVS volunteers hosted in Kalamata presented elements of their culture (music, dances, food) to the local people, and also discovered elements of the Greek culture (presented to them by the local people).

**21/11/2016:** Publication on the K.A.NE. TV Youtube channel of the short video "How to Eat Cheap in Kalamata" created by our EVS volunteers. (https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=qq\_HAvbjNo4)

**23/11/2016:** Event in the Youth Centre of Kalamata: Stress-management seminar led by expert psychologist Mr Pantelis Antonopoulos

**30/11/2016:** Event in the Youth Centre of Kalamata: CV seminar. In this seminar, our expert, Ms Vassiliki Dadavassili gave useful information, tips and good practices on writing a CV and presenting oneself during a job interview

## DECEMBER 2016

**01/12/2016:** Publication of LinK newsletter N. 85 (https://issuu.com/kane.kalamata/docs/link\_85)

**01/12/2016** - **06/12/2016**: Participation of EVS volunteers hosted by K.A.NE. in the on-arrival seminar organized in Athens by the Greek ERASMUS+ youth National Agency.

**02/12/2016:** Event in the Youth Centre of Kalamata: Dance Groove Party. Before the party, the instructors of the dance workshops of the Youth Centre of Kalamata taught the participants the basic steps in Salsa, Bachata, Forro, Tango, and several Greek Traditional Dances

**07/12/2016** - **11/12/2016**: Participation of EVS volunteers hosted by K.A.NE. in the mid-term evaluation seminar organized in Athens by the Greek ERASMUS+ youth National Agency.

**07/12/2016:** Event in the Youth Centre of Kalamata: Let's talk about Art. A seminar on art history.

**10/12/2016 – 11/12/2016:** 2-day seminar on implementing engagement mentoring programmes for young migrants implemented in the Youth Centre of Kalamata, in the framework of the MentorPower ERASMUS+ KA2 strategic partnership in the field of youth project.

The objectives of the seminar were:

- To present the MentorPower engagement mentoring programme for young migrants
- To exchange good practices and tools that can be used during an engagement mentoring programme
- To train participants on how to design and implement similar mentoring programmes

**11/12/2016 - 19/12/2016:** Sending of 3 participants to the seminar "SAfe spaces for Inclusion of Lgbt+ youth", that took place in Torino, Italy, implemented in the framework of the ERASMUS+ programme/KA1 Mobility of Youth Workers.

**14/12/2016:** Event in the Youth Centre of Kalamata: Christmas for our little friends. A Christmas creative occupation workshop for children involving the creation of Christmas decorations and the presentation of the fairytale "Maxilaroulis and little Sergio" written by Ms Ioulia Stergiou

16/12/2016: Publication of LinK newsletter N. 86

(https://issuu.com/kane.kalamata/docs/link\_86)

**17/12/2016 – 18/12/2016:** Activities for children in the Christmas Houses on the central square of Kalamata

**21/12/2016:** Event in the Youth Centre of Kalamata: Human Library. For the very first time in Kalamata ordinary people shared their personal experiences as "Human books", talking with people and answering their questions.

#### **Collaborations 2016**

#### National stakeholders:

- Region of the Peloponnese Regional Unit of Messinia
- Municipality of Kalamata
- Municipality of Pylos-Nestoros
- Tourism office of Kalamata
- Alexandrakeio nursing home
- Association of Friends of the Network of Solidarity Hospitals of Kalamata
- KEFIAP centre for people with special needs in Kalamata
- Day care centre for children and teenagers with Autism in Kalamata
- RE:THINK
- Natural Farming project
- Kallitexniko Steki
- Second Chance school of Kalamata
- Centre for environmental education of Kalamata
- Miden Festival
- Association of Friends of People with Special Needs
- Let's do it Greece
- Europe Direct Kalamata
- KETHEA-KYTTARO support centre for people with substance abuse problems
- SOS children's villages department of Kalamata
- KALAMATA:21
- TEDx KALAMATA
- Animal Rescue group of Kalamata
- Thessaloniki European Youth Capital 2014
- Bibliopolis bookshop
- Mataroa
- International Documentary Festival of the Peloponnese
- "8th Artfools video festival Larissa"
- Filmhouse (New Kalamata Cinema Club)
- "Athlos" Gymnastics Association
- Greek Mountaineering club of Kalamata,
- Photography club of Kalamata
- Samareites volunteers of the Kalamata Red Cross
- Association of Cretans "Psiloritis"
- Darknet Promotion Agency
- 3P Lab
- Captain Vassilis and Carmen Constantakopoulos Foundation
- Foundation for Youth and Lifelong Learning
- Crochet club of Kalamata
- Messinian group for the support of breast-feeding and motherhood
- Thessaloniki European Youth Capital 2014
- University of the Peloponnese

- Association of primary school educators of Messinia
- Alumni Association of the Music High school of Kalamata Maria Callas.

#### International organisations:

Jugend:info NÖ - Youth Information Centre Lower Austria
Etica da Terra
International Initiatives for Cooperation
Association Focus-European center for development
CANGO
Europe House Slavonski Brod
POLITISTIKO ERGASTIRI AGION OMOLOYITON
KEY - Innovation in Culture Education and Youth
Evyouth
C.I.P Citizens In Power
Brno for you, z.s.
Egypt Foundation for Youth and Development
Anna Lindh Foundation
EstYes
Konnevesi 4H Association
Pistes Solidaires
Pistes Solidaires Méditerranée
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Maison de l'Europe de Nîmes
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Open Door International e.V.
Loesje Berlin
JANUN e.V. Region Hannover
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, Japan	Never-ending International Work Camps Exchange
Kenya	International Transformation Foundation
Latvia	European Association "World-Our Home"
Latvia	Saldus jauniesu dome "Es un mes"
Lithuania	VsI Socialiniu inovaciju centras
Luxemburg	Amitié Portugal-Luxemburg
Malta	Prisms
Netherlands	Rock Solid Foundation for international Youthwork
Netherlands	YES!
Norway	Kvalifiseringstjenesten
Norway	Narviksenteret
Peru	Brigada de Voluntarios Bolivarianos del Peru
Philippines	YSDA
Poland	Semper Avanti
Poland	Bona Fides
Poland	Internationaler Bund Polska
Poland	Warmińsko-Mazurska Wojewódzka Komenda OHP
Portugal	Associação Mais Cidadania
Portugal	ProAtlantico
Portugal	ASSOCIAÇÃO DE PARALISIA CEREBRAL DE COIMBRA – APCC
Romania	ASOCIATIA DE TINERET ONIX
Romania	ASOCIATIA NEVO PARUDIMOS
Romania	ASOCIATIA EUROPANET
Romania	Onestin Youth Association
Slovenia	KUD Plac
Slovenia	Zavod Apis
Slovenia	Zavod Anima Vita
South Africa	The Volunteer Centre
Spain	ASSOCIACION CENTRE FOR EDUCATION
Spain	Ayuntamiento de Ribadavia ES
Spain	ASOCIACION CAZALLA-INTERCULTURAL
Spain	Asociación TRANS
Spain	Abertal
Spain	Asociación Juvenil Intercambia
Spain	Asociación Building Bridges
Spain	TACC

Sweden	City of Gothenburg
Sweden	Ung i Kungsbacka
Switzerland	Verein MUNTERwegs
Thailand	Volunteer Spirit Association
Tunisia	ONET / BRCV SOUSSE
Turkey	Sariyer Municipality
UK	Scottish Wildlife Trust
Vietnam	SJ Vietnam

The General Assembly approves unanimously the activities report for the year 2016.

The president

The vice-president