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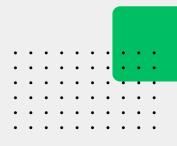
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### PROJECT 01 DESCRIPTION



The project 'Eco-Entrepreneurship & Circular Economy: On the Path to Sustainable Changes' set the focus on the priorities of the Erasmus+ Programme and the general objectives of the call.

The project is based on the need to increase the capacities of 6 youth organisations representing the Programme (North Macedonia, Serbia and Cyprus) and Partner countries of the Western Balkans (Bosnia and Herzegovina, Kosovo and Montenegro) to work with the concepts of ecoentrepreneurship and circular economy.

Furthermore, this project aims the goals of, f. e. supporting the development of youth work in Partner countries in the Western Balkan and their active participation in their communities and societies.

# TESTIMONIALS

#### Meï-Li

"This is my first Study Visit and I have enjoyed meeting new people, discovering country and culture. Beside study part, we managed to make strong connections with our colleagues. I liked the visit to the organic hazalnuts factory which showed a good eco bussines model for sustaining enviroment. Discovering beautiful cities as Struga and Ohrid was an amazing exerience."

#### Ajna

"The most amazing part of this project was hiking." Macedonia has an amazing nature. Flora and fauna of this place is diverse and unique we learnt that they are protecting the endangered lynx of the region. One whole day we spent hiking in the "republic" of Vevčan. As a huge fan of nature and insects that was a special experience. We even saw the stuzibug!"

#### Berkan



"Unique personal experience. Thanks to this program I learned more about this topic. In future I will implement practise of this project in my bussines and every day life. Activities were very informative and diverse. We had energizers, sessions, visits to factories and beautiful cities. I am really greatful to organizators. They prepared my birthday party- meaning they care for participants."

#### Esma

"Visits in this project occupied so many diffrent fields." Even though I am a nutricionist I found so much useful information not only for eco-bussines, but for my field as well. I gained professional contacts that can be used for faculty in my city. Accomodation was great altogether with food. Service was kind. Colleagues and roommates were amazing."

#### Vukajlo

"I'm really happy with people i met on the project I found them to be very inspiring full of new advanced ideas. They are people who care about others, ecology and surrounding. And I really hope we made some long lasting friendships and relationships that will make long lasting impact. The project itself was really eyeopening to see how the passion of a few people can bring long- lasting changes in the society, and inspire others."

# 03 ENVIRONMENT & SOCIAL IMPACT

ENVIRONMENT IMPACT

To avoid waste and being more eco-friendly, participants of the project were motivated, for example to do recycling with suitable things. Moreover, participants were requested to use their own mugs to avoid plastic cups and during group works, it was intended to use digital tools instead of paper to avoid paper waste.

#### SOCIAL IMPACT

During the project, participants had the opportunity to visit local, eco-friendly companies and learn more about sustainable businesses. Furthermore, a lot of group activities and -works were offered to socialize and get to know each other better.



Some of the activities organised for the participants were the visits to environmentally friendly companies, where the focus was mainly on the sustainable production and manufacturing of goods, such as hazelnuts but also boats. These visits were rounded off by various group activities, in which energisers were of course an important component.





## 05 ECO COMPANIES







EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTE





YOUTH WORKERS ALLIANCE



- Youth Council Next Generation
  Skopje
  - **DOREA Educational Institute**
- Spin-okret
- Center for Education and Training Prizren
- Youth Workers Alliance Vranje
- NVO GLAS

#### 07 USEFUL RESOURCES



https://pjp-eu.coe.int/en/web/youth-partnership/t-kit-13sustainability-and-youth-work

https://participationpool.eu/resource/how-can-youth-work-respondsuccessfully-to-the-climate-and-environmental-crises/

https://www.eesc.europa.eu/en/agenda/ourevents/events/empowering-youth-achieve-sustainable-developmentthrough-education

https://www.conservation.org/act/sustainable-living-tips

https://www.careelite.de/en/sustainable-living-tips-everyday-life/

https://climeco.com/esg-advisory/?gclid=CjwKCAjwkeqkBhAnEiwA5UuMwJqAf5LWISmKjD9Q1IWdjk9tBqifel7S6RwhYOSarR4Cd9hsfOHvho C9ocQAvD\_BwE

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