

WE ACT – Wetlands in Europe Against Climate Change, we act Today!
Greece 7th to 11th October 2024: Wetlands & Carbon Storage, Water Management & Quality



Monday 7/10/24	Tuesday 8/10/24	Wednesday 9/10/24	Thursday 10/10/24	Friday 11/10/24
<p>9:00 Groups gather at the Hotel lobby and depart for School (transfer by small bus)</p> <p>10:00 Welcome meeting at school.</p> <p>10:45 Coffee Break</p> <p>11:15 Presentations delivered by students about some of their countries' most typical habits and customs (<i>with a focus on water traditions, if possible</i>)</p> <p>12:00 Information on the photo competition: <i>Water/Reflections</i></p>	<p>6:45 Groups meet outside Artemis Ferry Boat in Ermoupolis harbor</p> <p>7:00 Departure for Paros Island</p> <p>9:00 Arrival in Paroikia - Paros</p> <p>9:15 Visit and Discussion with the Director of DEYA Parou (Municipal Water and Sewage Company of Paros) about Water Management in a very popular Island such as Paros</p> <p>10:30 Departure for Lefkes village (transfer by bus)</p> <p>11:00-12:15 Free time to stroll through the scenic village – coffee break</p>	<p>8:30 Meeting at the Hotel</p> <p>9:00 Guided Tour of the historic center of Ermoupolis (<i>by our students</i>)</p> <p>10:45 Bus trip to Galissas Village</p> <p>11:15 Visit one of the five small Desalination Unit of DEYA Syrou</p> <p>11:45 Break - Pies offered by school</p>	<p>8:30 Meeting at the Hotel</p> <p>9:00-10:45 Visit the main Desalination Unit of Syros at St. Dimitrios – (<i>Chemical Engineer of DEYA Syrou</i>)</p> <p>11:15 Visit the Wastewater treatment Plant of Syros (<i>DEYA Syrou -Municipal Water and Sewage Company of Syros</i>) and learn about wastewater treatment and the possibilities of wastewater reuse to address water scarcity (transfer by small bus)</p>	<p>8:45 Meeting at the Hotel and departure for School (transfer by small bus)</p> <p>9:15 Student groups reconvene to finalise their answers to the preliminary questions</p> <p>10:00 – 10:30 Coffee Break</p> <p>10:30-12:00 Student groups deliver their presentations and present their findings</p>
<p>12:15-13:00 Students form 3 new culturally-mixed groups and start working on the preliminary questions assigned to their group</p> <p>13:00 Wetlands and Carbon Storage - (<i>Ira Karagianni - Dr. Biologist – Ph.D. researcher of Department of Biological Applications and Technology - University of Ioannina</i>)</p> <p>13:20 Cycladic Wetlands of Paros & Syros. The role of the small islands in Birds Migration (<i>I. Karagianni - N. Roumelis</i>)</p> <p>13:40 Old and new way of collecting water (<i>Greek students</i>)</p>	<p>12:45-14:15 Guided tour of one of the most typical Cycladic Wetlands in Paros (transfer by bus) (<i>guided tour by Paros' WWF members and researcher</i>):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Kolymphithres marsh and - Environmental Park, Ag. Ioannis <p>14:30-16:30 Visit Naousa, a lively fishing village -Free time to wander through the village</p> <p>Lunch in Naousa (not included)</p> <p>16:30 Return to Parikia (by bus)</p>	<p>12:30 Field Work and Activities on the beach, on the Wetland of Galissas (<i>organized by the Director of KEPEA Syrou Ermoupolis – Centre of Environmental Education and Sustainability - Ch. Kollias</i>):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Lost Wetland of Galissas Bay... - Where is the Water? - Activities about groundwater management and the ecosystem consequences <p>13:30 Time to “taste” the seawater Swimming break</p>	<p>12:30 Water Management in Syros - Discussion with <i>the Director of DEYA Syrou and with Dr. Vakondios D. Mechanical Engineer of DEYA</i>, about:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - <i>Desalination plants, reverse osmosis systems, energy costs, water cost/m³, water consumption on Syros Island.</i> - <i>Plans and possibilities to reduce the electrical energy consumption of desalination plants by using Renewable-Alternative Energy Source such a Photovoltaic Parks</i> - <i>Reuse of Wastewater in Agriculture</i> 	<p>12:00-13:00</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Photo Competition (winner) - Conclusion of the week (evaluation) - Certificate Award Ceremony - Farewell
<p>14:00 Lunch served at school (<i>Traditional Greek dishes: moussaka – pasticcio – stuffed tomatoes/peppers – chicken nuggets</i>)</p> <p>15:00 Field trip to Magganopigada – Cisterns – Field Water tank</p> <p>15:45 Return to the Hotel (transfer by small bus)</p> <p>Free Afternoon - Dinner (not included)</p>	<p>17:00-18:00 Walk to the historic center - visit Ekatontapiliani (the town's Cathedral)</p> <p>18:30-20:00 Free time to explore Parikia –</p> <p>Dinner – time (meal not included)</p> <p>20:30- 22:30 Return boat trip to Syros</p>	<p>14:30 Lunch in “Savvas restaurant” on the seafront of Galissas (not included)</p> <p>16:00 Return to the Hotel</p> <p>Free Afternoon (Possible tour on foot to the Medieval Settlement of Ano Syros)</p> <p>Dinner (not included)</p>	<p>13:30 Visit the “Watershop company” – <i>Learn about innovative systems for middle scale desalination through photovoltaic cells and water purification systems for houses or companies</i> (transfer by bus)</p> <p>14:30 “light” Lunch in Ermoupolis (not included)</p> <p>18:30 WeAct Teachers' Meeting to discuss the Project at the Hotel lobby</p> <p>20:00 Formal Project Dinner in Ermis Hotel Restaurant</p>	<p>13:00 Lunch served at school (<i>Greek Delicacies prepared by our students' parents</i>)</p> <p>14:15 Return to the Hotel (transfer by small bus)</p> <p>16:00 Boat trip to Piraeus or Free Afternoon</p> <p>Dinner (not included)</p>