

EVENT DESCRIPTION SHEET

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PROJECT	
Participant:	No 3 - ACTIONAID HELLAS ASTIKI MI KERDOSKOPIKI ETAIRIA (AAH)
PIC number:	931941954
Project name and acronym:	YOULEAD - Youth Leaders advocates for Greener Europe

EVENT DESCRIPTION	
Event number:	WP4
Event name:	Local meeting to launch the debate contest for schools in Greece
Type:	Presentation Meeting
In situ/online:	in-situ
Location:	Greece: Athens and Rethymno
Date(s):	Date(s) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Athens: 16th January 2023 • Rethymno (Crete): 4th February 2023
Website(s) (if any):	https://www.actionaid.gr/ta-nea-mas/youlead-oi-neoi-sto-epikentro-toy-eyropaikoy-dialogoy
Participants	
Female:	47
Male:	9
Non-binary:	0
From country 1 [Greece]:	Greece
Total number of participants:	56
From total number of countries:	1
Description	
<i>Provide a short description of the event and its activities.</i>	

For the promotion of the YOULEAD project and the debate contests in secondary education in Greece, AAH organized 2 in-situ meetings: the first on Monday 16th January in ActionAid Hellas office and the second on Saturday 4th February in the 2nd Gymnasium (middle school) of Rethymno. An invitation was sent to educators who have been involved in school debates in the past but also to educators who are planning to participate in debate contests for the first time. In total, **56 persons** participated with physical presence. In the meeting of 16th January 6 men and 34 women, and in the meeting of 4th February 3 men and 13 women. In both meetings 49 women and 9 men participated. Out of the 56 participants, 46 were educators in Secondary Schools, 7 members of the Debate Union of National Kapodistrian University and 3 from other non formal education settings.

Since AAH is planning to involve in the debates schools outside Athens and more specifically from the following 3 parts of Greece: Crete, Peloponnese and Attica, we organized the meeting of 16th January in a hybrid format in order to offer an opportunity to all interested educators and stakeholders from across the country to participate. As a result, more than 70 educators also participated online.

During the Local meetings, the YOULEAD project was presented through a presentation. After the initial presentation the educators were trained by our guest Miha Andric on “Quality Argumentation and Evaluation principles”. In the last part of the meeting examples of topics related to climate justice and democratic participation were discussed with educators along with the methodology of the debates that will be used for the Debate Contests. During the meetings workshop we collected feedback from educators regarding the topics in order to be integrated in the best way within the formal curriculum. Climate change and democratic participation was assessed as very important and relevant topics both for educators and students.

Moreover, the educators were invited to commit and participate in the next phases of the project (national and European training, local debates contests, national contests). For the smooth integration of the YOULEAD project within the existing «Debate clubs» that are existing in schools in the above areas, we are cooperating with the Hellenic Association for the Promotion of Rhetoric in Education, a scientific non-profit association officially recognized in 2009. Its 700 members include academics, educators at all levels, professionals of various disciplines, students and several former student-members of rhetorical clubs. Through our cooperation in the local debate contests that are going to be conducted in 3 areas of Greece ActionAid Hellas will train educators on climate change and democratic participation and share learning materials on the above themes in order to help educators raise awareness among their students.

Attached to the present Event Description Sheet are the Agendas for the 2 in situ events and the following papers regarding the preparation for the debates contests: “**YOULEAD Brief description_Debate and Topics_GR**” and “**YOULEAD_Debate methodology and regulations_GR**”. Both papers are uploaded in the file **WP4_Preparation Debates**.

Finally, AAH maintains signed participant lists from both events, to be shared with the European Commission, if needed. These participant lists are not shared publicly in line with relevant GDPR restrictions.

