



PIF / ERASMUS+ PARTNER IDENTIFICATION

<b>A. PARTNER ORGANISATION</b>	
PIC	911411516
Full legal name (National Language)	ΚΗΠΟΣ ΑΜΚΕ
Full legal name (Latin characters)	KIPOS AMKE
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Type of Organisation	Non-governmental organisation
Is the partner organisation a public body?	No
Is the partner organisation a non-profit?	Yes
<b>B. ACCREDITATION</b>	
Has the organisation received any type of accreditation before submitting this application?	NO
Has the organisation received/applied for any EU grants?	NO

## C. BACKGROUND AND EXPERIENCE

Please briefly present the partner organisation.

KIPOS is a space for free circulation of ideas and knowledge, existing since 2014 in Thessaloniki, Greece.

Following the principles of non-formal education and life-long learning, KIPOS supports the development of adults and youth's potential, creativity, talents, initiative and social responsibility, through the acquisition of related knowledge, skills, attitudes and values.

Providing a complementarity with formal learning educational institutions, KIPOS offers a variety of different topics in seminars and workshops for children and adults and has a long list of hosted activities and creative collaborations.

In KIPOS, we bring the opportunity to learn about anything with joy, socialize with people with the same interests, among a variety of ages or background. KIPOS empowers individuals to be actors of their own development and to participate actively in community life.

What are the activities and experience of the organisation in the areas relevant for this application?

KIPOS successfully organises seminars, workshops, and events for six years, and became the most important and most well-known venue of the city to learn in a non-formal way and be creative.

The seminars are covering a wide spectrum of subjects like history of art, philosophy, politics, history, theater, cinema, psychology, astronomy, geography, or even around life skills and digital skills. KIPOS provides creative workshops like sculpting, creative writing, sewing, poetry, painting, documentary, cinema acting, book binding, and many more. The Youth Theater program is also worth mentioning as it offers young people the opportunity to publicly present the final play.

KIPOS is also organizing a diversity of cultural events every month, mostly reflecting on the city's history, art, and multiculturalism.

In the context of the Covid-19, KIPOS managed to adapt its activities, proposing online seminars and always aiming to improve on its practice by focusing on interactivity and engagement. This experience and critical practice is a great asset for the planning of future project with a European scale.

KIPOS has been welcoming international young people through Erasmus+ Young Entrepreneur the last years, and has collaborated with many international NGOs. It has hosted seminars, training sessions, and meetings for the human rights organisation ActionAid, Refugee Trauma, and Terre des Hommes. It has collaborated with British Institutions to host a project on Greek culture and Greek Crisis, and has collaborated as well with the Timeless Impact Academy in Germany to offer the training course « Mindfulness and Meditation ».

What are the skills and expertise of key staff/persons involved in this application?

KIPOS team has a rich experience in project management, collaborative work and finance management. It is qualified to carry international cooperation projects during all phases thanks to the professional and personal experience they built over the years.

The staff is in constant contact with the field and values the exchange with its target groups in order to create projects that meet their real needs. Driven by the wish to offer, develop and promote non-formal education, they acquired a strong expertise in this field.

**Maria Megalopoulou** is the General Manager of KIPOS since 2016. She has developed KIPOS consequently through the years, passionately transforming it into the multi-purpose space for cultural education that it is today.

She is a graduate of the Department of Balkan Studies (University of Western Macedonia) and postgraduate from MA in Comparative Business Economics (UCL, London, UK). Her education and experience are great assets for any phases of project management, intercultural communication, and finances management and follow up. She is participating as speaker in talks to share good practices in her field.

**Maelle Julou** is a European Project Manager from France, currently based in Greece. Maelle has experience of working as a project manager, volunteer coordinator or EU funding proposal writer and manager in different NGOs (ArtBOX Creative Arts Management, United Societies of Balkans, Rencart, Action Art, Kipos), and has been involved in a variety of European programs, whether as a participant or as organiser in France, Poland, Sweden, Norway, Lithuania, and Greece.

She has been a volunteer for the European Capital of Culture Kaunas 2022 (Lithuania), for the Ecovillage of Baskemolla (Sweden), and for the organization of the Thessaloniki Queer Arts Festival 2019 (Greece). She holds a Master in Development of International Cultural and Artistic Projects (Lyon II, France) and a Bachelor degree in Literature, Civilization, and Language specializing in sociolinguistics and intercultural communication.

**Theodosia Konstantinidou** is the founder of KIPOS. She holds degrees in sociology and education from Aristotle University. She has more than 30 years' experience of teaching (public and private) and was involved for the last 20 years in various non-formal education projects and programs. She is also specialized in environmental awareness, drug prevention and sexual education programs, and youth theater.

**Maria Arapi -Fragkou** is the Marketing and Communication Manager in KIPOS. She is responsible for the general administration, the sales, and the social media management and development. She holds a degree in Advertising and Commerce.

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