### **MEDITERRANEAN NATURAL LIFE ASSOCIATION**

# **Project Presentation**

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## Who is NATURELDER?

NATURELDER is a civil society organization established in Mersin, Turkey in 2013. Since its foundation, NATURELDER has been working on rural development, youth, entrepreneurship, advocacy, environment, climate change, natural life, women, and human rights, and aims to reach European Union standards and higher standards with these studies. To achieve this goal, we have prepared and carried out many projects with the support of the European Union and with our own means, and we continue to work on new projects every day.

# **Citrus Farmer Education Project**

## CITRUS FARMER EDUCATION PROJECT

In 2014, we organized the Citrus Farmer Education Project in the USA. Our farmers have been trained in Citrus production in Washington D.C., California and Florida.

Our group, consisting of pioneer farmers, disseminated the techniques they learned when they returned to Turkey, enabling the development and appreciation of the region's agriculture.



### **CİTRUS FARMER EDUCATION** PROJECT





## Geographical Indication Registration for Lemas Lemon

2015

## GEOGRAPHICAL INDICATION REGISTRATION FOR LEMAS LEMON

In 2015, in cooperation with Erdemli District Directorate of Agriculture and Forestry, geographical indication registration was obtained for the Lemas lemon special for Erdemli.



#### TURK PATENT

#### COĞRAFİ İŞARET TESCİL BELGESİ

No:466 - Menşe Adı

ERDEMLİ LAMAS LİMONU

Tescil Ettren ERDEMLİ İLÇE TARIM VE ORMAN MÜDÜRLÜĞÜ

Bu coğrati işaret, 6769 sayılı Sinai Mokiyet Kanunu kapsamında 25.06.2018 tantınden itibarım korunmak üzene 21.10.2019 tantınde tescil edilmiştir.

## Project of Examining Olive Production, Harvest and Marketing Techniques in European Union Standards

2016

## PROJECT OF EXAMINING OLIVE PRODUCTION, HARVEST AND MARKETING TECHNIQUES IN EUROPEAN UNION STANDARDS

In 2016, in cooperation with the Erdemli Public Education Center and the Evening Art School Directorate and the Erdemli District Agriculture and Forestry Directorate, a team of 36 people went to Italy, Spain and Czechia for investigations.



# Rural Development with Local Products Project

## RURAL DEVELOPMENT WİTH LOCAL PRODUCTS PROJECT

With the project we carried out in 2016 -2017, we brought the prickly pear fruit, which was idle and sold in the back of trucks, to the economy. Prickly pear entered the Farmer Registration System for the first time in Turkey, its ice cream and marmalade were made and a new export item was created.

Our project was selected as the flagship project by the European Union Delegation to Turkey.



## Rural Development with Local Products Project

Press the play button to watch the video.



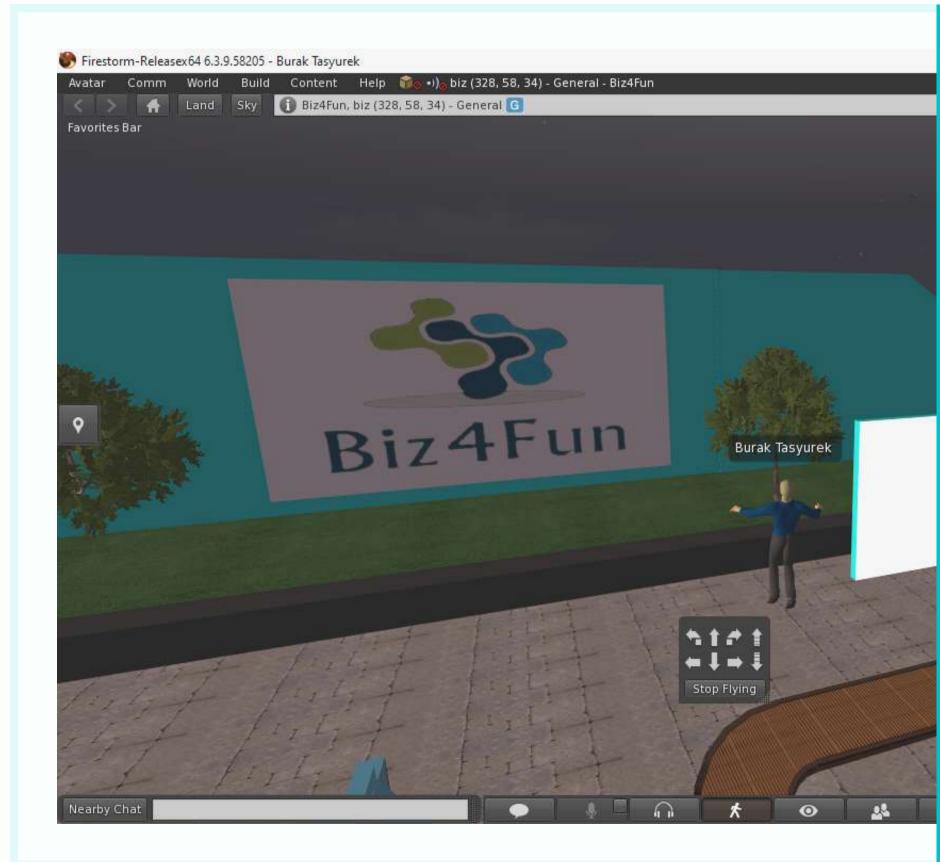
## Biz4Fun – Let's have fun with the business start-up

2018 - 2021



## BİZ4FUN – LET'S HAVE FUN WİTH THE BUSİNESS START-UP

Between 2018 and 2021, we developed a training program, training materials, and a 3D virtual training game in cooperation with Slovakia, Czechia, Italy, Greece, Romania, and Turkey to support young entrepreneurs and help them enter business life more strongly.



## GREEN GO: an educational experience through STEM disciplines and outdoor adventures

2021

## GREEN GO: AN EDUCATIONAL EXPERIENCE THROUGH STEM DISCIPLINES AND OUTDOOR ADVENTURES

In 2021, we took 10 of our young people, aged 14-16, to Italy. Our young people had scientific activities intertwined with nature and exchanged cultures with young people from other countries.



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# Civil Society Development in Rural Areas

2021 - 2022

## CIVIL SOCIETY DEVELOPMENT IN RURAL AREAS

In the project we started in April 2021, we are working to ensure more active participation of NGOs working in the field of agriculture and rural development in policy and decision-making processes. We carry out activities to improve the communication, lobbying, and advocacy competencies of relevant NGOs and to increase their institutional capacities in the fight against wrong agricultural practices.





#### **Civil Society Support Programme - III**

#### Kırsal Alanlarda Sivil Toplum Gelişimi Projesi Civil Society Development in Rural Areas Project TR2016/DG/03/A3-01/018









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