



Bottles2Boats – B2B & Blue Alonissos Pprojects

K.A.NE. Association- Greece

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#### **Project Title: The bottles2boats (2019)**

 The bottles2boats project was born as an Erasmus + short term group EVS project that aims to involve European youth and the participating organisations in order to act as multipliers in local societies but also in their wider pan-European or international network of the importance and impact that mobility programs and participation in non-formal learning processes can have as well as the need for protection and respect for our natural environment, the search for creative and innovative ways to protect it, and the need for a more active and healthy lifestyle.





### **Bottles2Boats Project Partners: 1/2**

- K.A.NE. Social Youth Development
- R.A.D.I.Kal.A., Recycling Awareness Design Innovation Kalamata Association
- Bougas Private Schools
- Nautical Club of Kalamata (NOK)
- Neotherm





### **Bottles2Boats Project Partners: 2/2**

- Messinian Boats Greece
- MUNDUS Association Spain
- VIA e.V. Germany
- YouNet Greece
- Mais Cidadania Association Portugal
- Brocēnu novada jauniešu centrs KOPĀ Latvia
- Administration for Social Welfare Sweden



























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### **Links of Bottles2Boats Project**

Web Links

https://b2b.ngokane.org/

Facebook

https://www.facebook.com/DREAMkanekalamata/

Video Links

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=IO9bPcQUM14





### « Blue Alonissos » Project

**Objective:** Enhancing conservation and environmental awareness in Alonnisos

Target Groups: Approximately 3.000 individuals, small producers' associations, ecotourism agencies

**Application Years: 2015-2016** 





#### Outputs of the « Blue Alonissos » Project -1/2

- Plastic bags need hundreds of years in order to break down and constitute a serious threat to the marine environment. Like most kinds of litter they follow waterways and end up into the sea where marine mammals, seabirds and other species often mistake them for food and die from suffocation, malnutrition or even toxicity...
- This project puts particular emphasis on the sensitization of the local community in order to reduce the use of plastic bags. Fabric bags will be distributed to all households of the island so that the use of plastic ones can be avoided.
- The project includes educational and numerous participatory activities i.e. beach cleanup trips combined with litter monitoring and recording based on scientific protocols. As a result, the local community, tourists and visitors will have the opportunity to actively participate in the mitigation of their impact on the marine ecosystem and the island will be highlighted as an environmentally friendly destination.





#### Outputs of the « Blue Alonissos » Project -2/2

- Our ambition is to make Alonissos the FIRST plastic bag free island in Greece, where the locals turn to a more balanced lifestyle in order to preserve nature.
- The Blue Alonissos project includes several conservation actions that refer to the monitoring and study of local marine mammals. Volunteers are going to play a key role in the success of this initiative and their contribution is crucial for maintaining the various projects' outcomes after their implementation period.





#### Success of the « Blue Alonissos » Project

- Dec. 2015: Alonissos: the first island without plastic bags in Greece! (Press Release)
- Apr. 2016: Formation of a Coordinating Committee by the Municipality of Alonissos
- Apr. 2016:Three-day participatory actions in Alonissos
- July 2016: Alonissos says "Yes" to actions but "No" to Plastic Bags
- Sept. 2016: Info-Day "The Plastic Bag Problem in Greece: Present Situation, Challenges and Best Practices"
- Nov. 2016: Alonissos featured in the "Good Practices Guide" by Surfrider Foundation Europe





Video Link of

### « Blue Alonissos » Project

 http://www.thalassafoundation.com/en-GB/initiatives/blue-islands-ofgreece/bluealonissos



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