Pupil's Conference: Transition to a Climate-Neutral-Future in Elefsina 2023 **VISION WORKSHOP AND SCHOOL ROAD MAP 2023**

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Brief description of the process of the vision workshop and the design of the roadmap for climate neutrality)

Our vision is about how to achieve a climate-neutral neighborhood! Our school is located in the center of Kalamaria, near the seafront, favored by natural beauty. The seafront area is convenient for recreation and sports. There are some parks and public places. For the time being, there are packaging recycling bins in every block and some clothes and shoes donation bins.

On the other hand, there are not enough trees, green areas, walkways, not at all cycle paths, nor compost bins. Furthermore, the use of cars and motorcycles is excessive.

Therefore, our pupils' group visioned a neighborhood with cycle paths, walkways, more trees and green spaces, compost bins and separate bins for different materials. So, they wrote a letter to the mayor demanding the construction of a cycle paths net throughout the town and a bicycle parking for their school. They are also ready to organize a march in order to spread their vision of a climate-neutral neighborhood.

Fields to which the vision is dedicated (e.g. energy, school garden, education, schools meals, waste ...)

Proposals put forward by the students by field

Nutrition - Agriculture: Ban on overfishing and on killing young animals, reduce meat consumption, encourage biological products consumption, preserve traditional seeds, create our own vegetable gardens.

Waste treatment: reusable bags and bottles, cloths/shoes donation, swapping, compost bins and separate bins for different materials.

Water: Turn off the water tap while brushing our teeth, take a shower (not a bath). Public taps in order to avoid plastic bottles.

Energy – Buildings: Eco-friendly renovations, exploiting natural lighting by larger windows, use of solar energy, wind generators, energy-efficient appliances, smart technology for saving energy (led). Green roofs, walls and balconies. Hospitals and public buildings nearby.

Mobility: Cycle paths and walkways troughout the city, use of public tranport / subway, carpooling, electromobility, avoid air travel, vehicles and airplanes using water or solar energy, eco-friendly flying cars.

Public spaces: More green spaces for walking, recreation and sports, keeping them clean and safe.

Education: Inform pupils about the ecological footprint, embed environmental sustainability activities and actions.











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Description of a climate neutrality roadmap, prioritization of ideas:

- Short-term actions: walking and cycling, use public transport or carpooling, prefer electromobility, use reusable bags and bottles, swapping, reduce meat consumption, prefer vegetarian diet, exploitation of natural lighting in buildings, encourage biological products consumption, use energy saving lamps, save water and energy in every day activities, inform and mobilise classmates and citizens.
- Medium-term actions: prefer smart technology for saving energy, composting, green roofs, plant • more trees in public areas, green methods in material production, continue to inform and mobilize classmates and citizens, organize marches for climate action.
- Long-term actions adopted for immediate implementation: Cycle paths throughout the city, subway, . lighting using solar energy, more parks and gardens. Vehicles and airplanes using water or solar energy, eco-friendly flying cars.

Teacher's comments

Our pupils – the "environmental group" of ten members, this year – are sensitive, spontaneous and enthusiastic. During our first meeting, sharing their dreams and goals, they suggested the vision! Before starting with the Eleusis project, we did some team building and active listening activities in order to help our group feel more connected and able to collaborate more effectively.

During our discussions they were very concerned about nutrition, meat production, food waste, alternative forms of transport, green and clean cities, the current situation of seas and oceans, the forests and urban trees, the climate crisis, the animals in danger (wild life) and the stray animals.

During the vision workshop and road map training they collaborated with attention, maturity and determination! They responded to every step of the procedure!

Just after the vision workshop their reflection words were: "collaboration, group spirit, tranquility, inspired by other members, imagination, ideas, enthusiasm, thoughts, interaction, marches, we put the first seed of a climate-neutral future"!

It is a group ready to fight for a climate-neutral future and spread their ideas! They look forward a march and have created their slogans, such as: "Act now! Together we can!"

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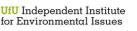


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