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The Municipality of Alimos, Lead Partner in the project entitled "Encouraging young people to build a better Europe – IN NEET" at the 8th meeting in Santa Pola, Spain.

The Municipality of Alimos, Lead Beneficiary of the European project "IN NEET: Encouraging young people to build a better Europe", participated in the eighth and last meeting of the project in Santa Pola, Spain during the period of 5th – 8th June 2023.

The project is implemented within the framework of the "Europe for Citizens" Programme and its main objective is to combat unemployment faced by the young generation, promote the active participation of young people in social activities and strengthen their role in European society.

This meeting was organized by our Spanish partners and was entitled "NEETs and Young Social Inclusion: Final local event" during which the representatives of the Municipality of Alimos, Georgia Papa, Municipal Councilor, the Special Advisor of the Mayor, Dimitrios Drakos, the Executive Municipal Councilor, Ioannis Vergis, the Municipal Councilor Danae Nikolatou, the Head of the Independent Department of European Programmes, Anastasios Karakostas, responsible for this European Project and Anna Ambelioti, employee of the Municipality, attended informative presentations, visited interesting places of the city and exchanged their experiences.

The second day began with a welcoming of the attending partners by the Mayor of Santa Pola, Loreto Serrano, at the City Hall, who expressed her joy for the successful implementation of the project and her willingness for future collaborations.

This was followed by a further presentation of the internship and employment programmes for young people where they developed their skills in finding a job.

Then, participants visited the shipyard of the Astondoa company which repairs luxury yachts and which provides a new practice centre in boat repair.

Afterwards, Managers of various companies presented the challenges faced by young entrepreneurs in the scientific, sports and educational sectors as well as in portfolio companies.

Then, an exchange of views took place among participants, the final conclusions were presented and positive thoughts for the future were expressed.

During the third day, the challenges and opportunities in the field of green employment were discussed and later a visit to "The Salt Pans of Santa Pola" as well as in the lighthouse of the city were organized.

Participants, also, discussed about the promotion and management of Santa Pola's historical heritage and how the historic Villa Adelahia was transformed into an exhibition center by young people.



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Then, a tour took place at "The Fish Auction" of the city where participants had the chance to get to know the operation of the fish stock market and, specifically, the distribution and purchase of fish.

After the impressive and very interesting acquaintance with the Fish Market, the afternoon ended with a visit to the beautiful Castle of Santa Pola.

Finally, Mrs. Georgia Pappa, representative of the Lead Partner – Municipality of Alimos, presented the results and conclusions on the benefits of this project at European, regional and local level, successfully closing the cycle of project meetings.





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