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System entrepreneur

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Our villages are not vibrant anymore. Deserted.

No stewardship for our Mount Parnonas.

No jobs, no income for young families.





Solution

Thyrea will max opportunities and min threats by

- O: Educational projects for bio-diversity tourism
- T: Actively implementing nature-based solutions





We target and engage:

- Local organic-oriented businesses
- Digital nomads motivated to work "IN and FOR Nature"
- Leadership developers
- ESG-practitioners
- Corporate decision makers
- Service learning academic programs



MERAKI PEOPLE Ecosystem

Pilots

- Fungi (ongoing)
 - oyster mushrooms on olive clippings
- Olive Bliss (just started)
 - biodiversity and ecosystem restoration
- Biolab (future)
 - biochemistry and phytomining







Events

- The Blue Economy (2015)
- World Health Innovation Summit (2016)
- Institute Evolutionary Leadership (2017 & 2018)
- MIT Community Bio Summit Fellowship (2018 2021)

Outcomes

- Raise awareness and create co-operatives
- Municipal council synergies
- Zoom community building
- World Café harvests



We pilot solutions

- 1. Farm to fork communities
- 2. Soil regeneration for carbon sequestration
- 3. Living in harmony with nature & creating income by bio-fabrication
- 4. Inclusive innovation: female lead business



Our clients

Present:

Institute of Evolutionary Futures (California)

National Environment and Climate Change Agency (Athens)

Past: Nicosia Impact Hub

Athina Research Centre

E.R.F.C. (European Regional Framework for Cooperation)

Global Sustain S.A.



Converging

- S = MIT's Presencing Institute / InterHub (USA)
- T = Dreamscape Global Principal (USA)
- **E** = **EurAsia S.A.** (Greece/China)
- A = Archaia Orchesis (Greece)
- M = National Academy of Arts and Sciences (Greece)



Active business co-operations

- Z.E.R.I. Blue Economy (think tank)
- Climate Foundation
- Global Regeneration CoLab
- Agriculture
- Farmer's Footprint Community
- Abundanism (Olive bliss project)





Future development & Business Model

Urban-Rural Bio Lab developing to a Bio-Incubator 10 bio start ups p.a.

Income streams

- Service Learning (On- and Off-Line)
- Impact Educational Corporate Retreats



Financials

Own money €60.000
Revenue generated up to now €30.500

Future financing needs €150.000 Angel Money
BioFabrication / Lab salaries / Fixed running costs /
Digital marketing costs

Aiming at a €4.000.000 local economy in 5 years



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Thank you.

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