



## National Round Table

### «Active employment policies and development of the local economy»

13 December 2021, 11.00 – 13.00

Online [ZOOM]

#### About the subject of the round table

It is a common finding that the efficiency of funded programs that support new entrepreneurship and employment is often limited and does not adequately meet the real needs of the local economy (the local enterprises and the employees).

The cooperation of public and private bodies, knowledge carriers and entities of the third sector (social and solidarity economy) at local level, could highlight approaches and solutions of social innovation and co-production, based on the specific needs and priorities of the local economy, the growth assets of the area and the trends that deploy in the markets. The objective is to increase employment in the local enterprises in positions that could upgrade the provided services and/or products and enhance the local economy (e.g. through the development of tools for increment of consumption of products and services in those enterprises).

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## Agenda

11.00	Logging in of Participants
11.05	Opening, Welcome by the Chairman of Scientific Society for Social Cohesion and Development (EPEKSA), Emeritus Professor of Sociology, Panteion University (in Greek; Interpretation in English)
11.10	Welcome by the Mayor of Paggaio, Mayor of Paggaio, Head of Development and Entrepreneurship Committee of Union of Municipalities of Greece, member of the Congress of Local and Regional Authorities of the Council of Europe (in Greek; Interpretation in English)
11.15	Brief presentation of the main objectives of the project MedTOWN (in Greek)
11.20	Brief presentation of the demonstrative action of the project in Greece (in Greek)
11.30	Discussion of the participants and exchange of opinions and proposals for the utilization of funding instruments for the optimisation of the planning and effective implementation of the related programmes that support and enforce new entrepreneurship and employment, on the basis on the real needs of the local economy (in Greek)
12.50	Conclusions (in Greek; Interpretation in English)
13.00	End

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## Attendees of the National Round Table

Theodoros Sakellariopoulos

Chairman of Scientific Society for Social Cohesion and Development (EPEKSA)  
Emeritus Professor of Sociology, Panteion University

Yiannis Tsoukalidis

MEDTOWN Project Local Coordinator in Greece

Georgia Karavaggeli

MedTOWN Project Coordinator, Asamblea de Cooperación Por la Paz (ACPP)

Konstantinos Simitsis

Deputy Regional Governor for Development of the Region of Eastern Macedonia and Thrace

Filippos Anastasiadis

Mayor of Paggaio

Head of Development and Entrepreneurship Committee of Union of Municipalities of Greece

Member of the Congress of Local and Regional Authorities of the Council of Europe

Konstantinos Geormas

General Director of the Organisation of Welfare Subsidies and Social Solidarity (OPEKA) – Ministry of Labour

Efstathia Peppas

Regional Director of the Labour employment agency (OAED) of the Region of Eastern Macedonia and Thrace

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Smaragdos Kremydas

President of the Regional Federation of People with Disabilities of the Region of Eastern Macedonia and Thrace

President of the Prefectural Association of People with Disabilities of the District of Kavala

Markos Dempas

Chairman of the Chamber of Commerce of Kavala

Theodoros Hatzichristos

Chairman of the Federation of Professionals and Craftsmen (OEBES) of Kavala

Antonios Kostas

General Secretary of Social Cooperative of Limited Liability of the Prefecture of Kavala (KOISPE)

Stavriani Koutsou

Professor, Department of Agronomy of the International Hellenic University (DI.PA.E.)

Christoforos Skamnakis

Assistant Professor, Department of Social Policies, Panteion University

George Filippidis

Assistant Professor, Department of Social Work, Democritus University of Thrace

Ermioni Kotsilidou

Headmaster of the Directorate of Social Protection of the Municipality of Paggaio

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