

Evaluation Letter

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Project Title: *Culture and Creative Arts as Tools in Non-Formal Education for Inclusion (CACAT-NFE-FORI)*

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Hosting Country: Greece

Applicant Organisation: Youth Navis (Greece)

As a partner organisation in the Erasmus+ project “**Culture and Creative Arts as Tools in Non-Formal Education for Inclusion (CACAT-NFE-FORI)**”, **Polychoros Voroklinis** is proud to present its evaluation and reflections on the project’s implementation, coordination, management, and impact.

This youth exchange was a truly transformative experience for both our participants and our organisation. The project’s vision — using **culture and creative arts as tools for inclusion, learning, and cooperation** — was implemented with outstanding professionalism and care. The coordination by **Youth Navis (Greece)** ensured a high level of organisation throughout all phases, from preparation and logistics to activity management and final evaluation. Their structured communication, timely updates, and openness to partner input created a strong foundation for effective cooperation.

Our collaboration with **Youth Navis** was exceptionally smooth and productive. The Greek hosting team showed exemplary dedication, ensuring that every detail — accommodation, learning sessions, cultural events, and logistics — was managed with precision. Their supportive attitude, flexibility, and inclusiveness fostered an environment where every participant felt valued and engaged. The **facilitators from Cyprus**, representing **Polychoros Voroklinis**, contributed significantly to the project’s educational and creative direction. Through innovative workshops, experiential learning, and artistic expression, they guided participants in exploring topics of inclusion, identity, and intercultural dialogue.

The **implementation phase** in Kato Alissos, Patra, was characterized by a perfect balance between structured learning and creative freedom. Workshops in theatre, dance, and visual arts allowed participants to express themselves while building empathy, teamwork, and confidence. The facilitators ensured that all activities aligned with non-formal education principles and that participants were encouraged to co-create and reflect on their learning journey. The energy, creativity, and emotional connection experienced during the youth exchange exceeded our expectations.

After returning to Cyprus, our organisation implemented **local follow-up activities** in Pissouri and Limassol, where participants shared their experiences, presented project results, and engaged local youth in discussions about Erasmus+, inclusion, and creative learning. These dissemination actions extended the project’s impact and encouraged new young people to get involved in international opportunities. The visibility of the project was also strengthened through social media, the Polychoros website, and community engagement activities.

From an **organisational perspective**, CACAT-NFE-FORI was an invaluable opportunity for growth. It allowed **Polychoros Voroklinis** to strengthen its capacity in managing European projects, deepen expertise in non-formal educational methodologies, and build long-term partnerships with international organisations. The collaboration reinforced our ability to coordinate with institutions abroad and gave us new tools to integrate arts and culture into our youth work practices.

For our **participants**, the project had a profound personal and educational impact. They developed communication and leadership skills, intercultural awareness, and emotional intelligence through artistic collaboration. Many described the project as “life-changing,” as it gave them confidence to express themselves, work in diverse groups, and view inclusion through a creative lens. Several participants have since become active volunteers in our local activities, eager to share the values of empathy, equality, and creativity they learned during CACAT-NFE-FORI.

In summary, the **CACAT-NFE-FORI project** was an exemplary Erasmus+ experience that combined strong management, meaningful content, and impactful dissemination. The cooperation between **Youth Navis** and **Polychoros Voroklinis** was built on mutual respect, professionalism, and shared passion for youth empowerment. We are deeply grateful for the partnership and proud to have contributed to a project that continues to inspire inclusion and creativity across Europe.

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