



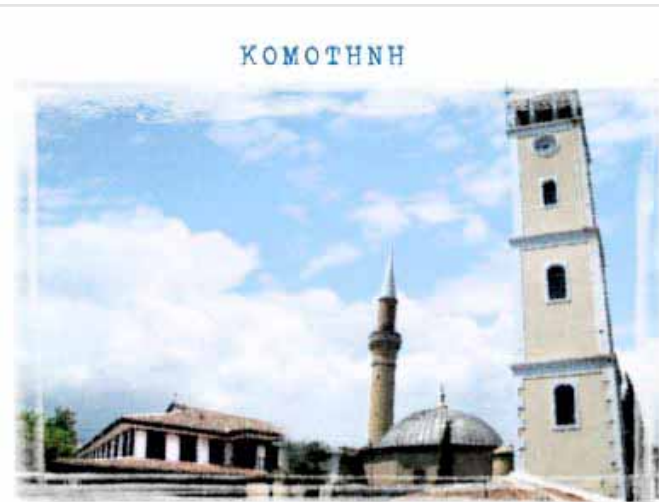
Presentation of Komotini's Urban II Project

*'Sustainable City for All'
2000-2006*

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Greece- Rodopi Region



The city of Komotini is the historical product of a complex co function of geopolitical, ethnic, economic, social and cultural factors.

Greek Christians and Muslims, Roma and Greek re-settlers from ex- Soviet Union form a mosaic of people living together.

Urban II : The program



“KOMOTINI Sustainable city for all”

Total budget:	12,39 million euro.
The Public Expenditure :	10,86 million euro.
ERDF:	8,10 million euro.
Public Sector:	2,70 million euro.

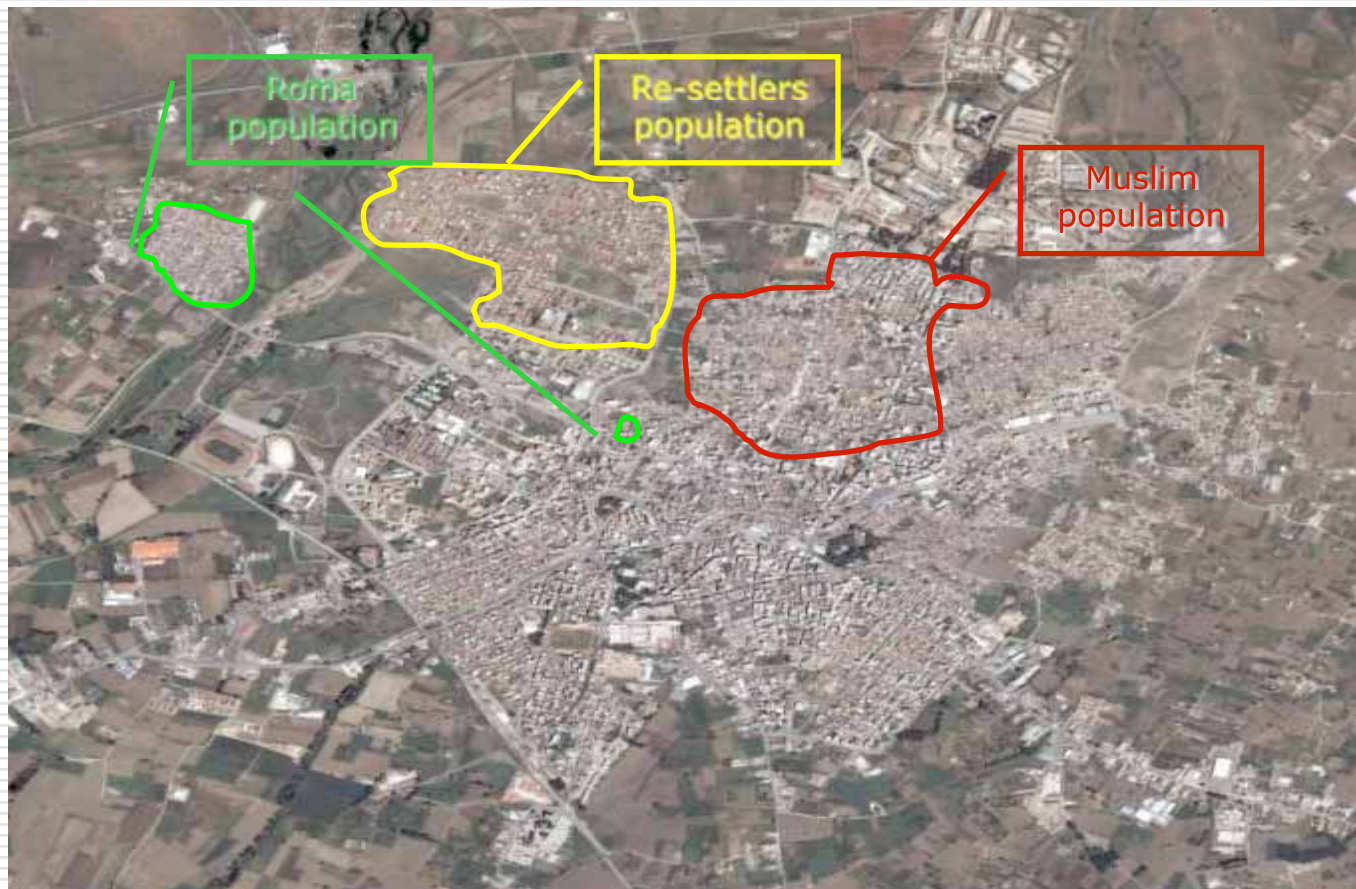
Private Attendance was also foreseen.



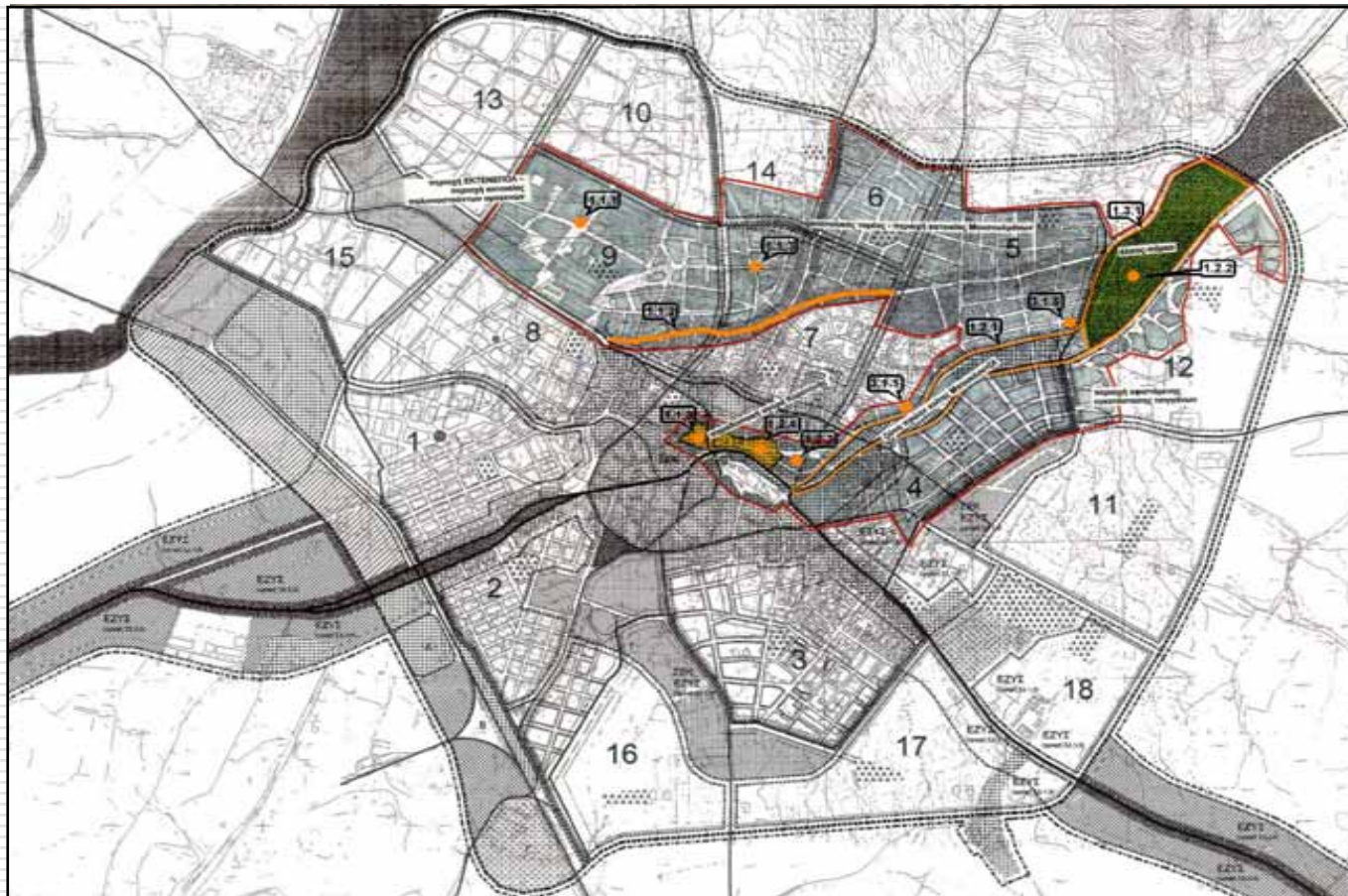
Aim of the project

- Restore the social cohesion with the restriction of exclusion and marginalization of the **members of the social groups** simultaneously
 - Preservation of the **cultural particular characteristics** that distinguish each group
 - Positive effect of **multiplicity and tolerance** in society for development instead of deficiency and social frictions phenomena.
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Komotini's various population groups



Intervention Area



Priority actions



1. Multifunctional and ecological urban rehabilitation
 2. Encouragement of entrepreneurship
 5. Civil Society
 6. IT Networking
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Priority Action 1: MULTIFUNCTIONAL AND ECOLOGICAL URBAN REHABILITATION

Rehabilitation of public spaces in the EKTENEPOL area



Budget: 299.942,00 €

Contracted amount: 199.252,24 €

Rehabilitation of public spaces in the EKTENEPOL area between 22 & 26 building blocks



Budget: 200.000,00 €
Contracted amount: 119.326,53€

Interventions to rehabilitate and integrate public space in the northern Muslim neighbourhood



Budget: 600.000,00€

Contracted amount: 562.869,06€

Traffic amelioration measures (1st Phase)



Budget: 200.000,00 €

Contracted amount: 109.631,90€

Traffic amelioration measures (2nd phase)



Budget: 170.000,00 €
Contracted amount: 156.017,42 €

Restructuring of the area of the former Boukloutza torrent-bed



Budget: 600.000,00 €
Contracted amount: 362.194,56€

Reconstructing of the area of the former Boukloutza torrent-bed (2nd phase)



Budget: 510.000,00 €
Contracted amount: 376.775,86 €

Restoration of notable buildings in the historic traditional market area



Budget: 300.000,00 €
Contracted amount: 280.218,56€

Ecological conversion of the former garbage dump into an urban park and restoration/rehabilitation of common utility areas



Budget: 350.000,00 €
Contracted amount: 252.000,00€

Reformation of Communal spaces (Thicket of Agia Paraskeve)



Budget: 3.570.000,00€ (1.412.760 € from URBAN II & 2.157.240€ from national funds)
Contracted amount: 2.363.903,12€

Bus line to serve the intervention area



Budget: 400.000,00 €
Contracted amount: 400.000,00 €

Priority Action 2: ENCOURAGEMENT OF ENTREPRENEURSHIP

Observatory of socio-economic and Habitat urban indicators



Budget: 120.000,00 €
Contracted amount: 108.385,2€

Gypsy entrepreneurship - Provision of seed capital to unemployed people for business creation



Budget: 800.000,00 €

Vocational training program for youth



Action 1: Cutting-technique, welding, assembling and treatment for metals

Budget:40.000,00 €

Action 2: IT packages use, vocational training

Budget:50.000,00 €

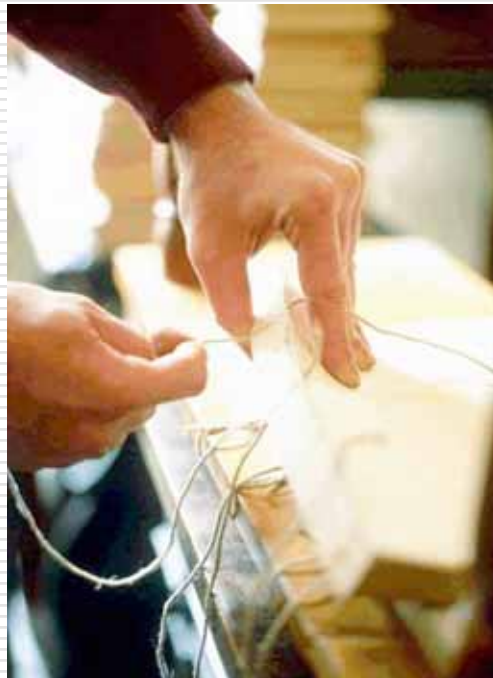
Personality development, vocational guidance and training programmes for the female population



Action 1: Vocational training for female entrepreneurship
:40.000,00€ **Action 2: Vocational training for office automations**
:50.000,00 €

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Training of craftsmen/artisans in techniques for urban rehabilitation works



Budget: 30.000,00 €
Contracted amount: 25.608,00 €

Creation of Entrepreneurship Supporting Entity



Budget: 65.000,00 € (48.333€ from Urban & 16.667 municipal co-funding)
Contracted amount: 56.049,99 €

Construction of constant infrastructure for entrepreneurship support



Budget: 350.000,00 € (300.000,00€ από το Urban – 50.000,00 από το Δήμο)
Contracted amount: 339.500,00 €

Priority Action 3: CIVIL SOCIETY Multi-functional social services centre



Budget: 2.372.000,00 €
Contracted amount: 1.551.412,53€

Supply of the Multi-functional social services centre



Budget: 128.000,00 €
Contracted amount: 115.825,00 €

Programme for Greek language learning and combating illiteracy



Action 1: Greek language courses, (40 persons) Budget:147.600,00 €
Action 2: Greek language courses, (15 persons) Budget: 55.350,00 €

Supply of equipment for Social support service and SOS phone line & service organization



Total Budget:82.000,00 €

Intercultural day-care centre (feasibility study & Construction)



Activity:3.1.4(a) Feasibility study

Activity:3.1.4(b) Construction

Activity:3.1.4(c) Supply of equipment

46.960,00 €



Budget: 50.000,00 €

Budget:650.000,00 €

Contracted amount: 468.780,00€

Budget: 50.000,00 €

Contracted amount:

Social support and service infrastructures



Action 1: House of independent living for disabled people

Budget: 934.850,00 €

Contracted amount: 634.005,00 €

Action 2: Hospitality and feeding of the poor and homeless

Budget: 400.000,00 €

Contracted amount: 384.000,00 €

Action 3: Equipment supply

Budget: 91.875,30 €

Contracted amount: 89.557,02 €

Mobile health care unit



Budget: 135.000.00 €
Contracted amount: 112.325,00€

Operational plan for municipal services and ISO 9001:2000 quality certification



Budget: 49.980,00 €
Contracted amount: 43.673,00 €

Staff vocational training on sustainable urban management – development, communication with the citizen and innovation



Budget: 30.900,00 €
Contracted amount: 26.265,00 €

Mobile Citizen Service Unit



Budget: 110.000,00 € (95.000,00,00€ URBAN II & 15.000,00 national funds

Contracted amount: 26.265,00 €

Contracted amount: 108.160,00 €

Priority Action 4: IT NETWORKING Provision of Internet access to schools



Budget: 200.000,00 €

Contracted amount: 178.720,00 €

Development of a database and a website for the town



Budget: 120.000,00 €
Contracted amount: 107.380,00 €

Establishment of a one-stop Citizens information and service system



Budget: 150.000,00 €
Contracted amount: 114.950,00

Targets *(indicatively)*

2nd priority axis

<i>Creation of the observatory</i>	1	1
<i>Number of Roma supported</i>	5	5
<i>New business created</i>	21	18
<i>Trained persons</i>	90	82
<i>Employment positions during program</i>	2	2
<i>New full time job positions</i>		0
30		4
<i>New part time job positions</i>	23	0,21%
<i>Unemployment and exclusion reduction</i>	0,44%	18
<i>Benefited enterprises</i>	21	44
<i>Benefited women</i>		10%
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<i>Unemployed participation in labour market</i>	20%	

Positives

- The creation of the new infrastructure and social structures- dynamic tools for future development
 - *Skills* developed in the target groups
 - Development of a *new commercial pole* for enterprise activities & upgrade of urban surroundings
 - Income increase: training reward
 - *Know-how* in project implementation, experience and added value in Komotini municipality & relevant M.A.
 - Disposal of E.R.D.F. without any problems
 - Mobilization both of the target group and the total city population in *participation* and *entrepreneurship*
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Negatives

- Training evaluation: necessity \Rightarrow Employment to training subject totally irrelevant
- Vast bureaucracy
- Distance from the initial planning of project
- Financing of private individuals \Rightarrow not within the competence of the municipal system \Rightarrow Banks \Rightarrow problem creation for excluded or marginalized groups
- No proof for Roma origin/ status
- Target group \longleftrightarrow Intervention area

Use of residuals in implementation of new actions depending on the newly created needs of the city
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complementarity with other interventions



Positive(!?)

Good practices



- Cooperation with the *Managing Authority* and close collaboration to get beyond certain problems and obstacles
 - Successful *publicity & dissemination*
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Komotini's Social Policy



- Active and preventive measures for special social groups at local level
 - Promotion of gender equality
 - Promotion of accession and fighting discrimination towards vulnerable social groups with increased sensibility
 - Fighting against inequality and poverty at local level
 - Promotion of multicultural development and construction of proper and human ribbon environment
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Comments

Social policy is formed based on the funds available/ programs announced by the E.U.

In Greece only from 2007 municipalities undertake a *more active social role* and get more *initiatives* to implement social policies instead of the previous central-governmental way these issues proceeded.

Comments

Absorption of funds usually leads to the end of the actions, programs etc

Lack of primary research studies supporting the proper use of funds and its optimization in each region

Importance of public consultation, publicity & dissemination



THANK YOU FOR YOUR ATTENTION!!
