

Relationship number: RLT 239136

Period of Exchange: From 22/04/2024 to 06/09/24 (5 months)

Brief introduction (max. 1000 characters):

Giuseppe Sannicandro, born in Puglia, is passionate about Regenerative Agriculture, Water Management, and Permaculture. He teaches Permaculture Design across Italy and Europe and is the co-founder of the Regen Association.

Ioannis Athinaios is the founder of GEA Architecture, a firm focused on transforming rural architecture in Greece through natural construction and historic conservation.

They discovered the EYE program through connections in the Erasmus community. They decided to participate to deepen their knowledge of sustainable construction and regenerative agriculture. The EYE program provided them with practical entrepreneurial experiences and opportunities for future collaborations centered on sustainability.



Activities undertaken (max. 1000 characters):

Giuseppe and Ioannis collaborated closely, with Giuseppe bringing his expertise in regenerative agriculture, permaculture, and agroforestry, while Ioannis contributed his knowledge of sustainable construction and rural architecture. Together, they worked on integrating green building techniques into rural development projects. Giuseppe introduced regenerative agricultural practices, while Ioannis applied sustainable building methods.

Their relationship was rooted in mutual learning, with Giuseppe mentoring Ioannis on ecological design principles, and Ioannis sharing insights on architectural sustainability. This collaboration helped them implement projects that combined natural construction with innovative agricultural techniques, fostering a shared vision of green-social sustainability.

Benefits achieved (max. 1000 characters):

The collaboration between Giuseppe and Ioannis brought significant benefits to both. Giuseppe's expertise in regenerative agriculture, permaculture, and agroforestry greatly enhanced Ioannis's approach to sustainable building. This synergy led to the creation of advanced sustainable food production systems and improvements in soil health and biodiversity in their projects.

In turn, Ioannis's focus on green building techniques and natural construction methods enriched Giuseppe's application of permaculture principles within architectural projects. Their partnership fostered a culture of knowledge sharing and capacity building, establishing both as leaders in sustainable development within their communities.

Their joint efforts also facilitated valuable networking opportunities, strengthening partnerships and advancing green building and innovative agriculture initiatives. This collaboration set the foundation for continued cooperation and the exchange of best practices in sustainability.

New Entrepreneur:

Name & surname: Ioannis Athinaios

Country: Greece

Age: 47

Status: Would-be entrepreneur/Start-up

Sector: Architecture

Name of business: GEA Architecture

Host Entrepreneur:

Name & surname: Giuseppe Sannicandro

Country: Italy

Age: 37

Experience (years): 5

Sector: Agriculture

Name of business: Regen Association

Website:

<https://www.regenhabitat.com/>

Quotation regarding the experience:



“Collaborating with Giuseppe was transformative. His expertise in regenerative agriculture and permaculture deepened my understanding of sustainable practices, leading to innovative green building solutions and significant benefits for our projects and professional growth.”

Ioannis Athinaios, New Entrepreneur



“We both gained from the experience. Ioannis engaged with our complex organization, showcasing his professionalism and creativity. His contributions enabled us to explore new green building possibilities and enhance our training programs in this field.”

Giuseppe Sannicandro, Host Entrepreneur

For further information about the exchange:

- NIO/HIO, ____, ____: ____
- HIO/NIO, ____: ____

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