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#### HELLENIC GARDEN AS A TOOL OF SUSTAINABILITY IN URBAN LANDSCAPE

A LIFE project in Greece as Best future Practice



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## Worldwide tense...Common Sense Landscaping Nature in Cities

Diet / Food
Biodiversity
Natural Resources
Healing
Ecological/Recycled
Circular Economy
Climate Change

### Naturalistic Approach creates Landscapes with diversity



### We establish our own model

THE HELLENIC GARDEN...branding worldwide the Hellenic Flora as much as Horticulture, Gardening and Landscaping...

We promote this through the HEPEXIA members...in EXPOs and other activities and events.



### What is the HELLENIC GARDEN?

"Hellenic garden is a concept that became popular in recent years- an established "trend" in the worldwide gardening, a new style. In fact, this is the design, construction and management record and view –focus of our country through natural materials and plant species that characterize micro-landscapes of our country describing culture, history, science, art, and rural practice... what we call "Hellenic Aura". It is a self sufficient-sustainable garden, designed with a water wise approach, based on Hellenic Flora. It is a "brand", an extension of historical —archival records in space or modeling pictures from the Hellenic Landscape"

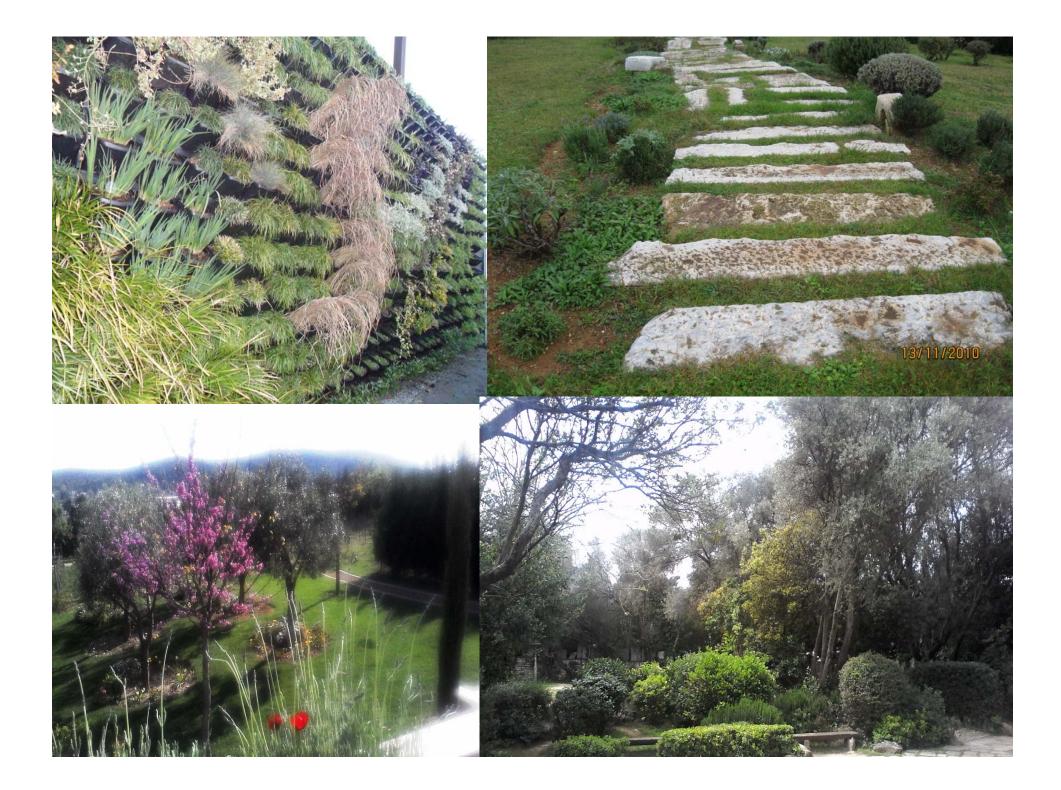
(Nikos Thymakis, Agrobusiness, 2016)



## Homer, Odyssey, H,112-119, Reference to the Garden of Alkinoous, first time in Ancient Greek text.

"Here luxuriant trees are always in their prime pomegranates and pears, and apples glowing red, succulent figs and olives swelling sleek and dark. And the yield of all these trees will never flag or die, neither in winter nor in summer, a harvest all year round





## Hellenic Garden is a whole story of how senses acts in everyday life, a healing garden indeed...

### MOTO OF HELLENIC GARDEN

TO SMELL

TO "ROUND"

TO "WISTLE"

# Inspiration of the first Greek Landscape Architect, Demetrios Pikionis...



# Basic Element the Monumental Olive Tree

These beautiful and living millennial creatures, living sculptures of God, run through times of dream to us...

They accompany people from generation to generation, they live through wars, cataclysms, joeys, births, deaths, they bring to us their blessed olives, that unite thousands of years in a unique, amazing, simple gift to Man.





# HELLENIC GARDEN as Touristic Attraction

we would like to use more of these plants as "Touristic" attraction also...





### So, a LIFE proposal came out.



Municipality of Amaroussion is partner to a EU Program to create Hellenic Garden in an old Park and other green places in the City.

The proposal is LIFEGrIn (LIFE17GIC GR 000029)

### www.lifegrin.gr

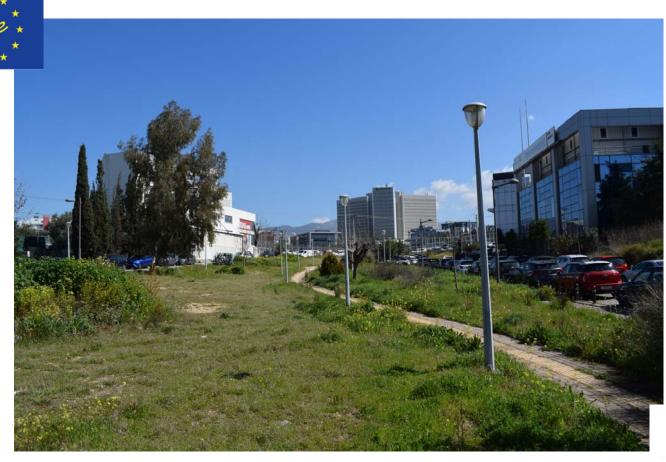
#### The other partners

- -Institute of Mediterranean Forest Ecosystems
- -HOMEOTECH Co (Environmental Management Company)
- -Municipality of Heraklion
- -Central Union of Greek Municipalities

#### What we are planning to do:

- Promoting Urban Integration of Green Infrastructure to improve climate governance in cities
- We will create a Hellenic Garden in Agios Thomas (Amaroussionnear to Olympic Stadium complex, next to a creek) rejuvenating an old park

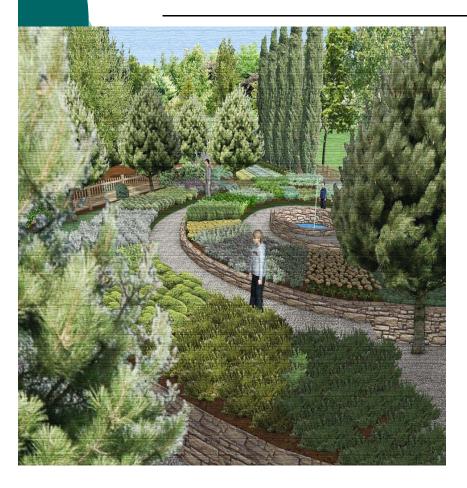
## This is the place... (around 1,5 ha)





# Hope we will present it in next EXPOs and especially FLORIADE 2022 Almere

### We want to be a part of GREEN CITY in the future





### Thank you for your attendance!

"In Greece, you can find everything ....."



Elia (Olea), Pyxos (Buxus), Rodo (Rose), Proteas (Protea), Faskomilo (Salvia), Athanato (Agave), Gardenia (Gardenia), Daphni Apollonos (Laurel), Kyparisi (Cupressus), Kedros (Cedrus), Myrtia (Myrtus), Fragosukia (Oppuntia), Pikrodafni (Nerium), Foinikas (Phoenix)...