

Step into the heart of TOURAL's activities and gain exclusive insights into the progress and breakthroughs that have defined our journey so far. This edition brings you closer to the activities shaping our mission, highlighting key developments and future plans.

“THALASSA 2024” CONFERENCE

The TOURAL project was showcased at the "THALASSA 2024" conference in Larnaca, Cyprus, by Angelos Manglis of Atlantis Consulting. Featured in the Marine Cultural Heritage session, focusing on the sustainable management of Underwater Cultural and Natural Heritage (UCH).



EUROPEAN MARITIME DAY 2024

We were featured at European Maritime Day 2024 in Svendborg, Denmark. Represented by Atlantis Consulting, it showcased innovative approaches to creative and cultural tourism at stand no. 20. The focus on co-creating sustainable business models and integrated value chains underscores our commitment to a sustainable blue economy.



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CHANGING CITIES CONFERENCE

The TOURAL project was presented at the "Changing Cities VI" International Conference in Rhodes, from June 24 to June 28, 2024, with the main theme "Climate Crisis: Urban Transitions to Smart and Green Growth." In a special session titled "The Landscape Project for Climate Change," together with leading experts, we explored how the integration of

urban and landscape design with sustainability practices can significantly enhance resilience in coastal areas.

1ST WORKSHOP ON AI APPLICATIONS (AI4GD)

We were showcased at the 1st AI4GD Workshop, part of the IFIP AIAI International Conference on AI Applications and Innovations, held in Corfu, Greece, from June 27 to 30, 2024. Dr. Iakovos Michailidis, Mrs. Asimina Dimara from CERTH, and Prof. Stelios Krinidis from IHU highlighted the role of AI in reaching the European Green Deal's aim for a climate-neutral EU by 2050.



11TH INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE (IACUDIT)

We were at the 11th International Conference of the International Association of Cultural and Digital Tourism (IACuDiT) in Naxos Island, Greece, by Dionisis Asimiadis from Atlantis Consulting. The presentation introduced an innovative approach to sustainable tourism in rural areas, focusing on the use of digital technologies and regional cooperation.



2ND PROJECT MEETING 30 SEPT-02 OCT



The TOURAL project's 3day meeting was successfully completed on the island of Alonissos, Greece, from September 30 to October 2, 2024. This meeting was a significant milestone for the project, bringing together partners to present the progress achieved so far and to plan the next steps and activities of the project. The final day was marked by a boat excursion to the Marine Park of Alonissos.



100% EU FUNDS EVENT

Exciting moments from the 100% EU Funds event in Zadar on October 12, 2024! The TOURAL project was featured alongside our partners from ZADRA NOVA. The event showcased the vital role of EU funding in regional development, providing an opportunity for community engagement, insight sharing, and network expansion.

ARTS, HUMANITIES, SOCIAL SCIENCES & EDUCATION

The TOURAL project was presented online by Dionysis Asimiadis from Atlantis Consulting SA at the 6th Eurasia International Conference on Arts, Humanities, Social Sciences, and Education. Held in Amsterdam on October 24-25, 2024, the conference gathered global experts to discuss the impact of cultural and creative tourism in rural EU areas.



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Arts, Humanities, Social Sciences and
Education**
**October 24 - 25, 2024 | Amsterdam,
Netherlands**



TOWARDS THE EUROPEAN RESEARCH AREA IN CLUSTER #6

On October 30, NECU Project Manager Oleh Bondarenko showcased the TOURAL project during his presentation at the informational day at Polissia National University in Zhytomyr. The event focused on the European Research Area in Cluster 6, covering Food, Bioeconomy, Natural Resources, Agriculture, and Environment.



PROJECT WORKING MEETING IN KUTSURUB COMMUNITY



On November 15, the TOURAL project held a productive meeting in Kutsurub, where key tourism development challenges and collaborative opportunities were discussed, including a community-focused survey to enhance local tourism. During this meeting, Project Manager Diana Krysynska presented the project and its progress, and Mykola Hrubyi explored potential collaborations with the NGO "Kinbur."



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On November 21, 2024, at the First Summit of the Eastern Partnership Civil Society Forum in Vienna, the TOURAL project was featured during discussions on post-war recovery and Ukraine's European integration. Nataliia Nauchu from NECU highlighted TOURAL's role in developing new tourism models for sustainable development in rural

and remote areas, specifically in the Kutsurub region. The project exemplifies how community involvement in tourism can aid economic recovery and sustainable growth in regions affected by conflict.

“WIDENING THE BIG BLUE HORIZON” CONFERENCE

At the "Widening the Big Blue Horizon" International Conference in Volos, Greece, from December 4-6, 2024, the TOURAL project was showcased by Mr. Polivios Raxis from Atlantis Consulting SA. The presentation highlighted TOURAL's innovative approach to sustainable tourism in rural and remote areas. The event attracted over 360 participants from 39 countries promoting discussions on advanced technologies, inclusive collaboration, and responsible heritage management



GOV4ALL WORKSHOP

We were at the Thyrea Living Lab in Xiropigado, Kynouria, on February 8th and 9th, as part of the GOV4ALL EU project. Project leader Angelos Manglis from Atlantis Consulting SA highlighted TOURAL's innovative sustainable tourism strategies aimed at rural development. The event brought together partners from academia, agriculture, and business to address the challenges and opportunities in Northern Kynouria, focusing on agricultural

land management and community integration with innovative ecosystems. The strategies developed aim to enhance sustainable practices across the Adriatic-Ionian and Black Seas regions.



2ND GENERAL ASSEMBLY MEETING



On February 20, 2025, the TOURAL consortium held its 2nd General Assembly Meeting online, where leaders of Work Packages and Tasks shared updates on their progress. They highlighted significant achievements, discussed ongoing challenges, and outlined key upcoming milestones.

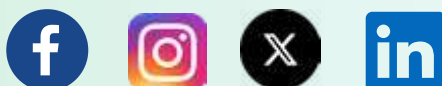
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