**Success story of Community-based Action for a GREEN transition (CO-GREEN)**

**Introduction and summary**

Write a short, half-page “story” of the case study, making sure to include the following information in the story:

* The local community characteristics, e.g. size, rural or mixed, agricultural of commuter-village etc
* The main issues faced by the community, e.g. depopulation, migration of young people, lack of community spirit, reluctance to face green challenges etc
* The initiative on which the success story is based, and the issue it tried to solve.
* Who took the initiative
* How public participatory helped
* Lessons learnt

In every case: get the agreement of the stakeholders to be placed on the website of co-Green, and present it as a success-story. Without agreement, they cannot be shared.

**Keywords**: add here a couple (3-4 keywords) that can be used as a “search-term” for the library. **Please select from the followings the most suitable:** public participation, green deal, community engagement, green activators, green motivators, participatory processes, community activators, green transition, rural communities

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**Name of Community: members of toev tayropoy karditsas**

**General information**



| Community Information | Write here |
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| Population | 8.000 |
| Main occupation of inhabitants (e.g. agriculture, services, industry, mixed) | Agriculture |
| What is the main comparative advantage / strength of the community? | The knowledge of cultivation and production, agricultural land products. |
| What is the main disadvantage/weakness of the community | Their reluctance to adopt practices that lead to the green transition. |
| Has the community a history of public participation and engagement? | In recent years, updates and programs for good practices in green development have increased. |

| Description of initiative | Write here |
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| Objectives – main issue addressed | Change of irrigation mode, from open channels to modern underground irrigation systems. |
| Achievements- related to green transition | Circular economy, green practices in crops, closed irrigation systems. |
| Achievements- related to community participation and engagement | Continuous updates at general assemblies, local councils and workshops. |
| Who were the actors involved in implementing or animating the initiative? E.g. Local NGO, group of citizens, members of the local a local municipality, other | Local NGO, group of citizens, farmers, members of the local municipality. |
| How was the community motivated and inspired to take part? What methods were used? | Continuous information on the necessity of changing the irrigation method and the four-star water saving. |
| What kind of resources were used? E.g. expert knowledge, financial support etc | Specialized knowledge in irrigation systems, European funded programs, public-private partnerships. |
| Has the initiative been sustained? How? | The initiative is in the process of being implemented. |
| Any other information you consider important for the successful completion of the initiative | Public-private collaboration and the belief of the community for the transition to green practices. |

**OBSTACLES AND CHALLENGES FOR Community ENGAGEMENT**

| **Description of challenge** | **Write here** |
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| What were the main challenges / obstacles for the successful conduct of this initiative? | There weren’t any serious difficulties. |
| How were they overcome? All or some of them? | - |
| Who had a prime role in helping overcome the obstacles/challenges? | - |
| Any other information you consider important regarding the local community’s attitude towards the initiative | We believe that the community and the farmers-members of the organization are ready to adopt practices that leads to the green transition. |