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PRESS RELEASE

On Saturday 9 December 2018 at Mouzaki, a working meeting took place, with the following subject: "Development of actions and partnerships for the management, promotion and exploitation of extensive agriculture and livestock farming in Pindos and Chasia" and it was coordinated by the Laboratory of Rural Space of the University of Thessaly.

The meeting was organized within the context of the European programme HORIZON 2020 HNV-LINK and the main purpose was to support the farmers that are involved in extensive production systems in Pindos and Chasia. Within this context a discussion was held on the possibility to create international collaborations



with bodies of the European network HNV-LINK. At the same time the local Development Agencies of Karditsa and Trikala, in cooperation with the Laboratory of Rural Space, assumed the responsibility to support the under construction informal network of farmers who work with extensive crops and breeding in an attempt to promote and support extensive agriculture and livestock farming.

The participants of the meeting:

- The mayor of Mouzaki and president of the Regional association of Thessaly municipalities Mr. G Kotsos, the mayor of Argithea Mr. L. Tsvolas, the deputy mayors of Meteora Mr. D. Vourlitsis, of Pyli Mr. N. Tolias and the Councilor of the Region Mr. Ch. Gakopoulos
- *Representatives of Pindos network, the special associate of the Municipality G. Karaiskakis Mr. G. Oikonomou*
- Representatives of management bodies of protected areas, Mr. S. Felekis President of the National park of Tzoumerka, Acheloos valley, Agrafa and Meteora and Mr. D. Michalakis from the National park of lake Karla.
- Agronomist-range scientist, Mr. I Kazoglou with a group of producers from the area of Mouzaki and Meteora
- *Development Agencies of Karditsa and Trikala*

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