

Koukos de Lab (Koukoutsi eco-materials)

(Greece)

The goal of the project is to design and introduce a new material, using a source that exists abundantly on Lesvos island. Known across the globe for its mountainous olive groves, olive oil production is the main industry of the island. What is left behind, the pit and the core of the olive, can be transformed into an eco-material to be used for the production of furniture, tiles, benches, large surfaces and other useful objects.



Megalochori is a small village in the southern part of Lesvos, well known for its rugged natural beauty, surrounded by luscious green pine tree forests, one of which is located on Koukos mountain, which inspired the name of the lab.

Lesvos island has 11 million olive trees, making it the largest olive grove in the world and making olive oil production one of the most important economic activities on the island. With a population of about 90 000 people, Lesvos has by far the largest number of olive trees per capita in the world.

LOOKING TO THE FUTURE

The Research & Development laboratory is dedicated to continue searching for new materials and is ready to assist anyone that wants to experiment with new materials. One of the new challenges is the creation of materials using new resources that can be found on the Greek islands such as seaweed, ghost nets etc.

MAIN OUTCOMES OF THE PROJECT

- Renovation of the laboratory
- Promotion and publicity
- R&D for new eco-materials from seaweed and ghost nets



KOUKOS DE LAB

- Project budget: 50 000 €
- Co-finance: 42 500 € (85%)
- Beneficiary: Christos Ververis, age 28



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