

Europe Direct North Aegean



Europe Direct Information Center of North Aegean (EDIC Of North Aegean) was established in January 2013 and operates under the auspice of the European Commission where its office is hosted by the Aegean University, located in the city of Mytilene.

Scientific Director of Europe Direct of North Aegean is Professor of Aegean University, Panos Grigoriou and holder of European Chair Jean Monnet.

It is part of a pan-European network of approximately 500 centers in 28 Member States out of which 18 are located in Greece. Europe Directs are under the General Management of the European Union Communication Department (EU) and under the coordination and supervision of the delegated European Commission in each Member State.



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Europe Direct North Aegean is one of the three European Information Centers across Greece (out of a total of 18), commissioned by the European Commission, to promote the **InvestEU** in the North Aegean Islands.

Our goal is to inform and raise awareness amongst authorized official bodies (national, public and private authorities) as well as citizens about European funding opportunities for development actions, training and development opportunities in a European region. As part of the public awareness campaign, conferences, informational meetings, excursions to major development projects as well as radio or television broadcasts are organized.

The top priority of the European Commission is to bring Europe back on track and to increase jobs without creating new debt.

The Investment Plan for Europe has three objectives: eliminating barriers to investment, visibility and technical support for investment projects and more efficient use of financial resources. It therefore consists of three pillars

- **The European Strategic Investment Fund (ETSF)** with an initial capital of 21 billion, which provides a guarantee, thus enabling the European Investment Bank to invest in more, sometimes, higher-risk projects and to invest more quickly than without the guarantee.

- **The European Investment Advisory Center and the European Investment Portal**, providing technical assistance and increasing visibility of investment opportunities.



- Improving the business environment by removing regulatory barriers to investment at both national and EU level.

Expansion of the Juncker Investment Plan

Expanding the Juncker Investment Plan by 2020 and raising the investment target by 315 billion euro to at least 500 billion euro was voted in favor by the plenary of European Parliament in Strasbourg.

Specifically, the ETSC Regulation 2.0 will come into force on 1st of January 2018 and in its new form will have significant improvements, such as increased transparency, a greater proportion of sustainable projects, greater focus on small projects and more technical support at local level.

It is worth noting that **Greece** is in the three countries that have benefited most from the Juncker package

For more information on the European Investment Plan https://europa.eu/investeu/home_en

"The Investment Plan works and refutes pessimists. The **ERC creates jobs** and mobilizes investments. That's why we recommend that it should continue to operate after 2018. Let's have ambitious targets for restarting investments in Europe. **“Jean-Claude Juncker”**

Sofia Sotiriou, Project Manager InvestEU –Europe Direct North Aegean

Indicative Events



8th of June, 2013. Hall of Business Events by Chamber Commerce of Lesvos: *«German War Compensations and Greece»*



Monday 18th of May, 2015. *Special Informative Action addressed to teachers of Lesvos of Primary Education.*



15th of March, 2016. Open European Course "European Citizenship and Fundamen





9th of July, 2016. International Symposium on "*Influences of Aristotelian Thought in Europe*"



21st of November, 2016. Pre-session Reflection Meeting under the auspices of the Hellenic Parliament for Democracy and Parliamentarism, on "*Participation, Networks, Decentralization*"



19th of February, 2017. Training for Democracy in the North Aegean - European Commission





9th of May, 2017. Open discussion on the occasion of Europe Day on "*The course of the European Integration Process 60 years after the signature of the EEC Treaty in Rome*»



From 10 to 20 of July, 2017. Summer School, on «*European Economic and Social Governance*»



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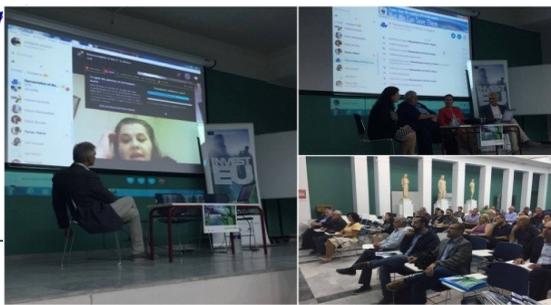
28th of July, 2017. First Meeting of Lesvos Cultural Institutions. "*The Contribution of Culture to the Development of Lesvos*»



15-17 of September, 2017. «European Film Days». In a period, of 60 years since the signing of the Treaty of Rome, the three-day movie screening took place in order to meet the public of Lesvos with the European cinema.



5th of October, 2017. Informative Meeting under the European Juncker Investment Plan - Karlovasi, Samos "*Opportunities - exploitation of European fun*





6th of October, 2017. Informative Meeting «**Acquaintance with Europe in School Programs. 60 years after the Treaty of Rome**»



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