

**2023 Eleusis European Capital of Culture**  
**Pupils' Conference "Transition to a climate-neutral future"**

Dear pupils, we, the Centre for Renewable Energy Sources and Saving, Mrs Evi Tzanakaki, Architect and architect of this Mystery, and myself, are very happy, and proud, and honored, to be with you, and together to be part of 2023 Eleusis European Capital of Culture.

Thank you Eleusis for including our Mystery, the Mystery of Transition to Climate Neutrality, in your programme of modern Mysteries!

This is a visioning Mystery and the ability to envision is the most important human intellectual ability, however, the most often suppressed. It is this capacity for vision that we ask you pupils to free up.

35 years ago, when our Center was founded, a similar vision was needed, in order for RES to come out of a cultural "island" and enter the real economy, and indeed some economies, such as the Greek one, have already achieved some days in 2022 100% coverage of electricity needs with RES.

In the meantime, however, we lost the beauty of the small, which was pushed aside by the economy of the large scale. You pupils, please, bring us back the small and beautiful, starting here, today, from Eleusis.

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We deeply appreciate the experience, energy and inspiration given to us by the educational team of Environmental Coordinators from Eleusina/West Attica, A and C Athens and Thessaloniki. As a matter of fact, all this was an idea of a team of 4 dedicated educators, Alexandra Tsigou, Maria Dimopoulou, Eleni Niarchou, Antonia Dardioti (officially supported by the Primary Education Director of West Attica Mr Ioannis Kappos). We also extend our appreciation to all teachers that have completed the preparation of Transition to Eleusis, as we see in the posters presenting each school's vision to climate neutrality, teachers from Eleusis and Attica region, as well as our guests from Thessaloniki, Berlin, Bals (Albania), Srebrenica (Bosnia and Hherzegovina), Pristina (Kosovo), Bitola (North Macedonia), and Petrovaradin (Serbia).

I return to you pupils. Live the opportunity now. Experience now the mystery of envisioning a beautiful future, a beautiful world that is round and not flat, and take us with you. We thank you pupils.