Dr Pyrgiotis Ms Tzanakaki Ms Dimopoulou Ms Niarchou Ms Tsigou Ms Dardioti Ladies and Gentlemen, Dear Students,

I welcome the proceedings of the three-day pupils' conference on the Transition to a Climate Neutral Future which is also the MYSTERY 149 of the Capital of Culture programme.

We have the pleasure of having with us pupils not only from Greece but also from abroad and we welcome you all with great joy to Elefsina.

The new generation, its fresh ideas, spontaneity and the image you envision are always the motivation to become better and fill us with strong will to succeed in creating a better environment for your future.

The issue of climate change is a global phenomenon and concerns us all.

In this, the Local Government must play its own role, through the adoption of actions and initiatives, for the protection of the Environment.

The Municipality of Elefsina has promoted practices related to recycling, waste management, accessibility and walkability, energy saving and many other actions.

In fact, the retrofitting of street lighting with LED lamps was recently completed, which will have multiple benefits, both for the environment and for the economy of our Municipality.

We await with great interest your suggestions and ideas and I want to thank you all for your participation in this three-day conference.

Both you pupils and the entire project team!

Thank you