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TO: Mayor of Vulcan
Romania

Subject: Approval of YOUTH Project "Youth Against Crisis"

Dear Mayor,

I am glad to inform you that our project "**Youth against crisis**" submitted under the YOUTH Exchange Programme, Action 1.1. on September 1st, 2011 has been approved by our National Agency on October 2011. The Contract between the Agency and the Municipality of Acharnes has been signed in December 2011. The project reference number is: 1.1/R4/2011/08-GR-11-48-2011-R4.

Within this project, the Municipality of Acharnes (Attica, Greece) will host **32 young people** from Municipalities of Dali (Cyprus), Modica (Italy), Chuprene (Bulgaria) and Vulcan (Romania) (**8 from each country**, 4 young men and 4 young women), **from 19 to 28 April 2012**, in order to exchange views, proposals, policies and good practices with 15 young in the area, and to informally learn how youth unemployment can be combated and youth entrepreneurship can be developed in times of economic crisis. Emphasis will be given to the participation and inclusion of young people with fewer opportunities. The topics that will be developed during the exchange "Youth against crisis" in the form of seminars, discussions with experts, workshops, roundtables, visits to businesses and areas of attraction are:

- Education, Training, Lifelong Learning
- Career Guidance, Employment Opportunities
- Entrepreneurship Development - Business Incubators - Entrepreneurship Clusters - Contests of youth entrepreneurship
- Entrepreneurship in the cultural sector, in the social sector, in the environmental sector (e.g. green entrepreneurship), the agricultural sector (e.g. Innovative dynamic farming), in the fields of IT and innovation

- Presentation of best practices developed through EU Programmes (EQUAL, INTERREG IV C, ...)

Each youth group will be responsible for developing and coordinating some of the above issues so that all participants can contribute actively to the preparation and conduct of the exchange. Each youth group will be accompanied by **one accompanying person** from its country during the exchange.

A 2-day preparatory visit is planned in March 2012 in order to prepare the exchange, with the participation of one responsible and one young people from each partner.

The overall budget financed by the Programme is 31.647,00 €. Only the Lead Partner will receive these funds, as all the expenses of the project will be directly covered by the Municipality of Acharnes (travel, accommodation and any other cost related to the preparatory visit, 70% of airplane tickets and full costs for accommodation, meals, local transport with municipality's bus, room for seminars, cultural visits and promotion costs concerning the exchange).

Your Municipality's **financial participation** amounts only to the **30 % of airplane tickets** for the venue of the 9 persons coming for the exchange (budgeted about 1.080 euros in the Application Form). The Municipality of Acharnes will arrange bookings and pay the airplane tickets, whereas your Municipality will have to pay back to the Municipality of Acharnes the 30% of the related cost.

In order to prepare this promising exchange, I would like to ask you to nominate one responsible person for the project on behalf of your Municipality and to communicate us his/her contact details and to start preparing for the 1st meeting by choosing the persons who will attend it.

Sincerely yours,

SOTIRIOS NTOUROS
MAYOR OF ACHARNES