



Zeuxis ([www.zeuxis.org.gr](http://www.zeuxis.org.gr)) was established on 29 May 2018, aiming to offer substantial support with high-quality services to a vulnerable population, such as unaccompanied minors, refugees, migrants, and asylum seekers in Greece. Having played a vital role in the management of mixed migratory flows (reception, registration, hosting and protection) as well as in the formation of the legal framework in Greece in these fields, Zeuxis' team has accumulated a vast, substantial and constructive experience in dealing with migration, asylum and human rights in Greece and abroad.

Zeuxis' primary area of work is the provision of services to Unaccompanied Migrant Children (UMCs). Zeuxis has developed a methodology based on an interdisciplinary and holistic approach to the needs of UMCs, which enables them to be fully equipped when they enter the next phase of their integration into the Greek society (or other EU countries' societies in the case of Dublin family reunification or relocation programs). Provision of mental health services forms an integral part of our intervention, as UMCs tend to suffer from stress-related conditions but also more severe conditions (i.e. victims of trafficking, victims of torture). We develop and implement projects where multi-disciplinary teams of specialists provide treatment and support to each case. The European Commission has included Zeuxis' shelter for Unaccompanied Minor Girls in the projects that stand out as "good practice" projects, thus recognizing the quality of our services and the effectiveness of our work:

<https://ec.europa.eu/migrant-integration/intrract/oikos-shelter-and-support-for-unaccompanied-minor-girls-in-greece?fbclid=IwAR0s8qeHC9mzmFkPJfdTOBcUc-BNdLVAlLeZlfv-P9qBngBuRJUXxd36fgGQ>.

#### Relevant Projects

ZEUXIS is currently implementing the following projects related to minor migrants and refugees: •

• **SHELTER** for Unaccompanied Minor Girls (refugees and migrants): We have created a shelter where UAM girls live, receiving a series of services, assistance with their asylum procedures, assistance and guidance in regard with administrative issues (such as issuing of ID, Social Security Number, Family Reunification under the Dublin regulation)

• **DAY CENTER** for the provision of Psychosocial support to minors and their families: a multi disciplinary team of experts (child-psychologist, child-psychiatrist, social worker, educator) provide services related to the mental health and creative activities for minors. We also offer non-formal education, counselling and civic education for minors and families.

• **MERIMNA PROGRAMME – Safeguarding Children at Greek border points (LEROS & KOS Safe Area)**

The "MERIMNA" project which is implemented by Zeuxis in coordination with IOM with the support of Asylum, Migration, and Integration Fund of the European Union (DG HOME), aims at providing protection and assistance services to Unaccompanied Migrant Children (UMCs) hosted in the Safe Area (SA) of **Leros** and **Kos** Reception & Identification Centers (RICs). ZEUXIS' intervention since December 2019 and November 2020 respectively, aspires to the UMCs' integration from the border and unfolds around two major axes: psychosocial support and non-formal education, through an interdisciplinary approach.

• **SMS PROGRAMME – Supporting the Greek Authorities in Managing the National Reception System for Asylum Seekers and Vulnerable Migrants**

The programme is implemented by ZEUXIS in cooperation with IOM and is funded by the Asylum, Migration and Integration Fund of the European Union (DG HOME). It aims to provide security and support services to 30 Unaccompanied Minors (UAMs) hosted in the **Safe Zone of Malakasa Open Reception Camp**. Throughout their stay in the "Safe Zone", the scientific team of ZEUXIS, consisting of a social worker, psychologist, educator, lawyer and interpreters, will provide unaccompanied minors with a personalized treatment of their needs for food, health, education, information, psychological support, socialization and social inclusion, development of interests, entertainment, sports and creative activities, through an interdisciplinary approach.