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Mathitiada is an educational event which assembles Junior High School students from all prefectures of Greece and abroad in a common place every two years in May. It is a simulation of the Olympic Games for students who do not have to be athletes. For five days they take part in all the Olympic and Paralympic sports as well as in several cultural, environmental and scientific activities. Hundreds of volunteers support Mathitiada.



The main purpose of Mathitiada is to activate students so that they struggle and this way they are turned from passive recipients into protagonists. Via sports and culture and through personal experience Mathitiada aims at helping children overcome their fear of whatever is new and accept the different. The message that Mathitiada conveys is its central motto:

“free from the fear of failure and the pressure of win”



G. Gallos organises the 'Students Events Proti 2002' along with local authorities.

'Students Events Proti 2003'. Motto: 'Free from the fear of failure and the pressure of win'

3rd event called 'Panhellenic Mathitiada'. The whole of Greece is represented

4th Mathitiada. Participation of Greeks from abroad
Logo of Mathitiada

5th Mathitiada

6th Mathitiada

2002



2003



2004



2005

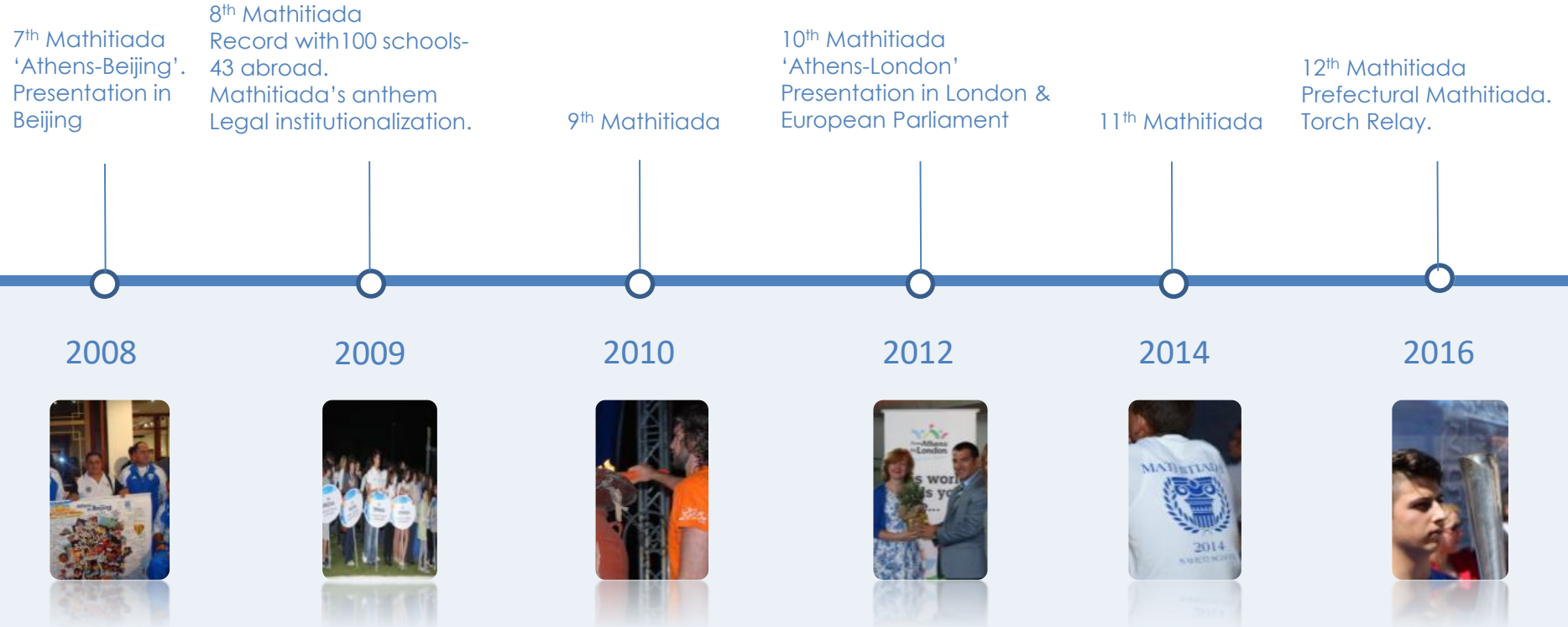


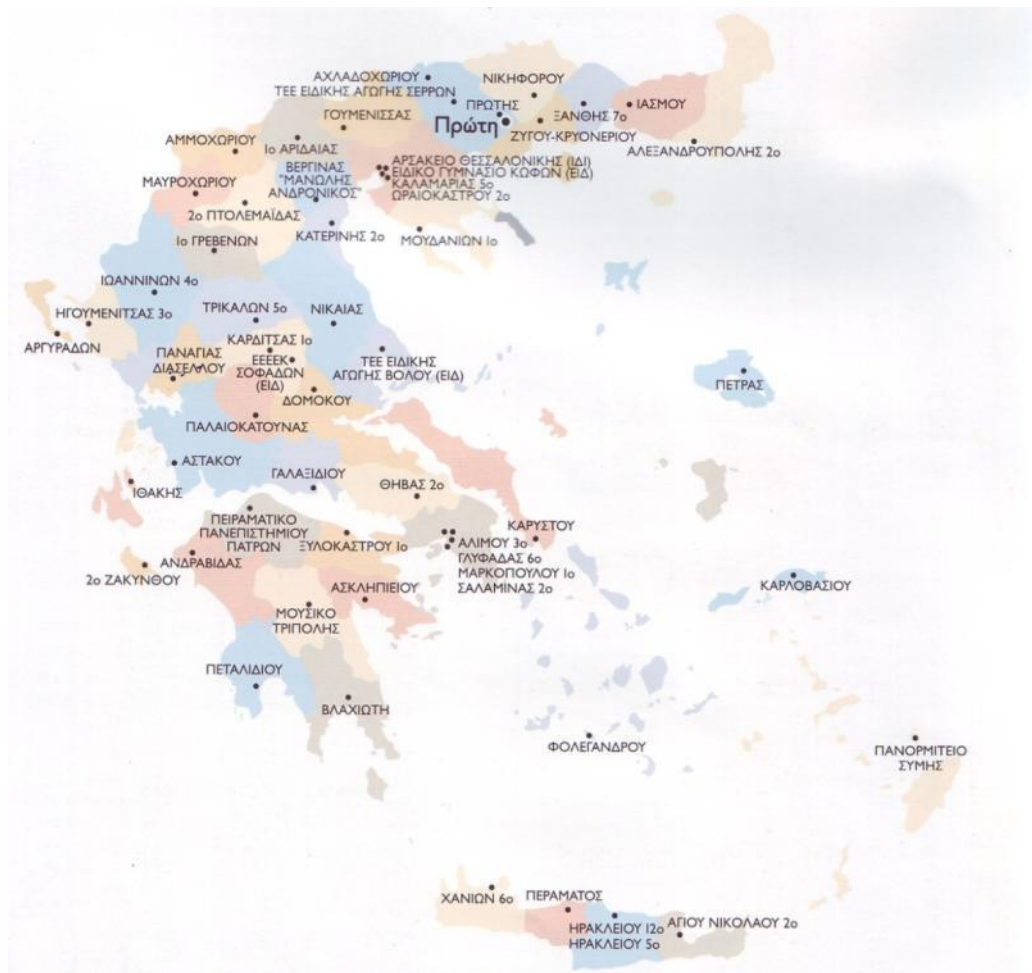
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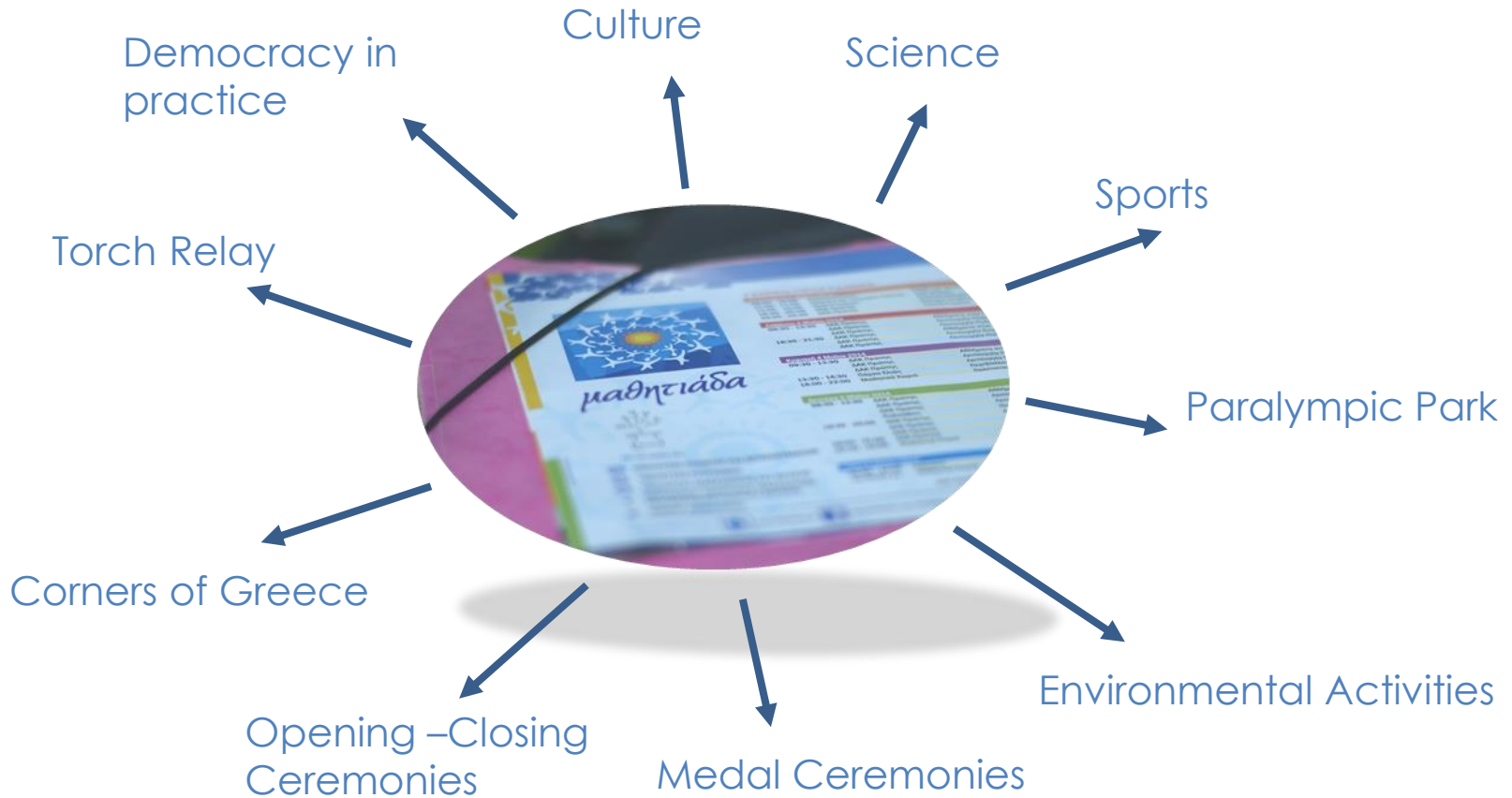
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10.000 students
600 high-schools
52 prefectures

Participants



45 nations - 138 schools



Facilities



All the activities take place in the facilities in Proti, Serres and in the seaside area of Kariani, Kavala.



Students participate in all 35 Olympic Sports (142 finals)





16 paralympic sports take place with demonstrations from paralympic champions and with students and visitors' participation. The purpose of all these is the acceptance of and their familiarization with the different. The activities take place in the especially formed 'Paralympic Park', where the students get to know the paralympic sports and 'play' in the especially designed educational programs.



38 activities concerning the whole of arts take place in the 'Cultural Village'. Students participate in cultural workshops, exhibitions and performances.



7 environmental activities take place. Top-ranking activity is the 'Olive tree Park', during which the students take care of the olive tree representing their region.



Opening-Closing Ceremonies

The ceremonies begin and end according to the Olympic Games model.

Corners of Greece

The delegations have Tourist Stands where the schools present the beauties of their land.



Science

Activities promoting the value of science take place with students participating in interactive games.

Democracy in practice

Through this activity the students express freely their opinion on issues of their choice.





The torch relay of Mathitiada begins in Proti, Serres, and travels throughout Greece carrying its message. On foot, by fishing boats, rowing boats, bicycles and whatever means of transport available, the torch of Mathitiada has travelled from Alexandroupoli to Igoumenitsa and from Florina to Crete.



Nearly 1,000 medals are awarded to the sports winners in every Mathitiada, rewarding the students who tried and achieved to put into action the motto for effort and participation 'free from the fear of failure and the pressure of win'. All participants are given Certificates of Participation.



Volunteering is the cornerstone of the 'Mathitiada world'. Volunteers of different age and from various professional fields take an active part in the organization.

More than 3,000 volunteers have participated so far always having the same passion for offering to the youth.

Supporters (over the years)



- Greek Parliament
- Ministry of National Education and Religion
- Ministry of Economics
- Ministry of Culture and Sports
- Ministry of Macedonia-Thrace
- Ministry of Domestic Affairs
- Ministry of Foreign Affairs, GS of Greeks Abroad
- Ministry of Tourism
- Ministry of Health
- Ministry of Transports and Telecommunications
- Ministry of Environment
- Ministry of Agriculture
- World Council of Hellenes Abroad
- Hellenic Olympic Committee
- Hellenic Paralympics Committee
- Office of the European Commission in Athens
- National Committee of UNESCO
- Region of Central Makedonia, Prefecture of Serres
- Regional Union of Municipalities of Central Makedonia
- Municipality of Amphipolis
- Physical Education Department, Serres, of Aristotle University



Supporters (over the years)



Petros Galaktopoulos
Olympic champion



Tasoula Kelesidou
Olympic champion



Pyrros Dimas
Olympic champion



Fragiskos Alvertis
International
basketball player



Kahi Kahiasvili
Olympic champion

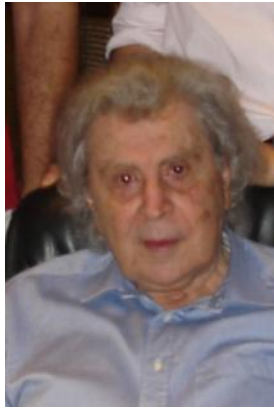


Charalampos Taganidis
Paralympic champion

Supporters (over the years)



Grigoris Valtinos



Mikis Theodorakis



Alexis Kostalas



Pemi Zouni



Vasilis Lekas



Con. Palatsaras



Dionysis Tsaknis



Giorgos Chatzinasios



Evi Fraggaki



Petros Gaitanos



Giannis Mamouzelos

Mathitiada is held uninterruptedly due to the efforts of a lot of people trying to see a better world, offering children a unique educational experience of creating active people who will fight 'free from the fear of failure and the pressure of win'.

We thank them.



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