Workshops with schools

In the 2018-2019 scholastic year PERICLES partners organised a series of workshops in collaboration with the education sector as part of the Environmental Awareness course, which is part of all schools' curriculum. In this initiative, students and their teachers were asked to act as researchers and collect data on fishing cultural heritage in their neighbourhood and through their families and acquaintances. To help achieve this, PERICLES organized two workshops for educators with the aim of providing familiarization with the main concepts of the project, education on issues of fishing cultural heritage and training in ethnographic field techniques and a final workshop that allowed students to share their findings. PERICLES partners also constructed a case study specific web site in order to support this action where all the material developed to support the training workshops and where the students' findings can be <u>accessed</u>.

- The first workshop was held on the 31st October in Kavala. The main aim was to initiate the process of collaboration and to explore the possibilities with participating educators. During this workshop participants discussed the pillars and core approaches of the Pericles project and how school children and teachers could build on these through their participation.
- 2. A second workshop was held on the 18th February 2019 and was organized as a training day. During this workshop, participating teachers had the opportunity to discuss and try ethnographic methods. This was facilitated by Pericles partners aided by Mr. Aristides Tsantiropoulos, professor of Anthropology at the University of Crete and Mr. Panagiotis Karanikola, a coastal fisherman who took the role of informer and answered the questions of participants, showing everyone a sample of the wealth of the region's fishing culture.
- 3. A third workshop was held on the 15th May 2019. The aim of this workshops was for the students to share their work. During the morning students spoke about the sea world as artistic inspiration, sensory relationship with it, fishing in the history of Kavala and the history of families and their boats. The event was attended by the teachers-coordinators of the environmental groups with more than 100 students. Representatives of the Museum of Refugee Hellenism and the Group of Oral History also participated.

This work was intended to continue in the scholastic year of 2019-2020. To this end a kickoff workshop for educators was organised on the 2nd February 2020 however this work has since been suspended because of void 19 restrictions and the series of workshops has been unable to continue this year.