

NISYRIAN STUDIES' SOCIETY



SCIENTIFIC NON FOR PROFIT SOCIETY

UNDER THE PATRONSHIP OF HIS HOLINESS THE ECUMENICAL PATRIARCH BARTHOLOMEW

AWARDED BY THE ACADEMY OF ATHENS

Athens, November 16, 2021

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN

Nisyrian Studies' Society is a scientific, non for profit Society, aiming to protect and promote the cultural heritage of island of Nisyros and to raise public awareness regarding the protection of the environment, and the preservation of the ecological harmony of the island.

In this context, we are fully collaborating with the municipality of Nisyros whilst our Society, is acting as the Municipality's cultural arm.

We have published 38 volumes up to this present time (uploaded in our website), being characterized as the cultural ark of Nisyros, as emphasized by the Ecumenical Patriarch Bartholomew, who was named our honorary president. At the same time we have established a web site, www.nisyriakesmeletes.gr both in Greek and English, with nisyrian musical background.

On the issue of environmental protection, we have undertaken a leading role in actions organized for that purpose, since we believe that the future of Nisyros and its urban development is based on the uniqueness of its volcano and its natural landscape in general.

In view of the above, we fully support municipality's effort in including the island of Nisyros in the list of Global Geoparks of UNESCO and we will undertake every effort successfully concluding this project, since we believe that the volcano of unique beauty and scientific interest, combined with the cultural heritage, (the excellently preserved castle of the 4th century BC with its observatory on the islet of Pyrgousa, the castle of the Knights, the richness of the Byzantine monuments, the exhibits of the archeological museum), its peaceful and immaculate nature and the crystalline seas, its picturesque villages with their characteristic architecture, meets all criteria for successfully complete this said project.

Within the context of the society's involvement in cooperating adequately with the municipality, we have appointed as our representative in the Committee for the promotion of the candidacy, our President, Mr. Konstantinos Chartofylis and Mr. Giannis Nikolopoulos as his substitute.

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