

Terms of participation of the Design Competition

Competition Information

The Municipality of Thermi organizes the Design Competition "**Your own biodiversity plants pot**", aiming to highlight, utilize and reward innovative ideas and proposals on how cities can become greener by deploying rare species of flora in our area.

The Design Competition is implemented in the context of the project "Conse-pp", which is funded by the Interreg IPA CBC program "Greece - Republic of Northern Macedonia 2014 - 2020" from funds of the European Union and participating countries. The "Conse-pp" project includes actions for the collection, conservation and utilization of seventy (70) important priority species (rare, endemic, endangered plants) for which propagating material was collected as part of botanical expeditions in the cross-border area. The plants were reproduced according to a propagation protocol developed through a research process and some of them were planted in the "Plant Diversity Park" which was built in the heart of the Municipality of Thermi.

The project also includes public awareness actions for these valuable species. The "**Your own biodiversity plants pot**" Design Competition is one of the project's awareness actions. In particular, it aims to find innovative alternatives for the protection and mainly for the increase of small green spaces in the modern urban environment through the design of a standard "planter / biodiversity plants pot".

The "**planter / biodiversity plants pot**" should have the following characteristics:

- be able to host some of the priority plants, taking into account their particular characteristics,
- can be easily transported and placed in urban areas acting as a planting container in green areas, schoolyards, islets, etc.
- be a flexible unit but also be able to be part of a set of similar planters,
- be safe for use in a public place.

Participants are encouraged to get to know the priority plants, after learning more about their special characteristics [here](#). Then they can design their own biodiversity planter, proposing their own composition of materials and forms, taking into account their public use as well as the specificity of the plants they are going to host.

The best proposal will be created by the participant in scale 1X1 and will be displayed in an open green space that will be indicated by the Municipality, bearing the name of the creator. It will also be presented to the public in a special award ceremony, in which all the submitted proposals will be exposed (the exact date will be announced on the Municipality's website).

General Information

The "**Your own biodiversity plants pot**" Design Competition is organized by the Municipality of Thermi and participation is free. For reasons of brevity, the Municipality of Thermi is also referred to as the Municipality. For the sake of brevity, the "Design Competition" will be referred to as the Competition. For the sake of brevity where "planter / biodiversity plants pot" can be referred to as a project or action.

Terms of participation

Participation in the competition is open to all and can be attended by individuals or organized groups involved in design. Competitors have the right to participate with multiple proposals and respective applications, as well as to participate in more than one group. Only adults are allowed to participate in the competition. In case a minor artist submits his/her work, this can be done only with the written and signed consent of his/her guardians. Everyone participating in the competition should read the terms, regulations and privacy policy of the Municipality. By participating, the artist fully accepts the terms and conditions.

Submission of entries

The participants are invited to submit their proposal electronically to the e-mail address e.papanikolaou@thermi.gov.gr or m.karali@thermi.gov.gr, attaching:

(a) their proposal for their own "planter / biodiversity plants pot", in two A3 papers (29x42 cm), in jpg file, 300 dpi, cmyk. Participants are required to submit floor plan / section / scale drawings as well as at least one 3D illustration. The scale and means of representation will be chosen by the participant. To support their idea, the contestants can accompany the scale drawings with detail drawings / sketches off scale,

(b) the solemn declaration attached hereto, duly completed and signed (authentication of signature is not required).

In case the size of the files does not allow sending the email, the contestants can send the files via wetransfer at their own risk for timely delivery. Only proposals sent by 07/02/2021, time: 12:00 a.m. are accepted. The duration of the competition is specific and no new entries will be accepted after the deadline.

Selection panel - Evaluation

The selection panel will consist of Experts from the Municipality, which will be responsible for the evaluation and final selection of the three best projects.

The evaluation will be based on the following criteria:

- originality of the project

- artistic / visual quality
- contribution to the promotion of biodiversity protection.

Intellectual property

The participants must be the sole copyright holders of the works they submit. In case of appropriation of intellectual property of third parties, the participation will be canceled and the participant will be the only accountable to the real owner of the intellectual property. The participant will be excluded from any subsequent competition and will not be able to participate, while giving permission to provide his/her personal information to the real owner of the project.

In any case, the creator is responsible for his/her participation in the competition. The participants in the competition authorize the Municipality to use the projects in any way to promote the results of the competition and the project "Conse-pp" in the Municipality's media (social networks, website, google, print communication, etc.) as well as any third party partner for the advertising of the "Conse-pp" competition and project. The works will always be accompanied by the names of the artists. The participants know that they contribute free of charge in the context of the promotion for the competition and the project "Conse-pp" and will not demand any claim against the Municipality. The works should not infringe copyright, trademarks or other trademarks of third parties.

Email address

Participants' email addresses can be used by the Municipality in the context of this competition, as well as to provide information about future competitions. Participants can change their personal data at any time or remove it from the list by sending their request via email to e.papanikolaou@thermi.gov.gr or m.karali@thermi.gov.gr.

Cancellation of Competition - Other contest terms and conditions

The competition can be extended, canceled, or modified in relation to the terms at any time. Those interested can be regularly informed from the website of the Municipality of Thermi. The Municipality is not responsible for any damage or loss. It does not provide any guarantee, express or implied, for any matter that arises as well as any financial conciliation.