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During the period 18 - 23 March 2025, members of the scientific team of the project "Kastoria Stations¹: Water monitoring for risk management due to natural and anthropogenic catastrophes with the use of automatic stations", visited Kastoria in order to carry out educational activities with schools located around the lake.

16 teachers and 150 students of primary education participated in total. The aim of the activities was to raise the awareness of the school community on issues of water quality and sustainable management of water ecosystems.

During the activities that took place in the areas of Plaz, Mavrochori pier and Swan avenue park, on 19, 20 and 21 March respectively, teachers and students had the opportunity to observe measurements of physicochemical parameters, to get familiar with aquatic ecosystem organisms that are indicators of water quality, such as benthic macroinvertebrates and diatoms, as well as to understand the value of water resources. In addition, during these days the team members carried out inspections for the installation of automatic monitoring stations at appropriate sites.

Finally, on March 22, the scientists of HCMR had the opportunity to enjoy a unique lake tour on the boat "OLYMPIA", which was kindly offered by the municipal company "Makednos SA", with the participation of amateur fishermen of Kastoria. Fishermen were informed about the automatic monitoring stations that will be installed in the area, and watched with great interest the educational activities presented to them, by the members of the team.

Many thanks to the company SPRING GRAMMOS WATER SA, for offering 216 small bottles of ARRENA water to teachers and students who joined us.

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