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"Greek Society for the Protection of Indigenous Animal Breeds (agricultural and domestic)"

- "AMALTHIA" is a non-profitable NGO, founded in 2006.
- It is an association of individuals and legal bodies.
- Main objective is the protection of biodiversity and the natural environment.
- It operates in accordance to Greek State, and European Union laws.
- Today 11 Associations and Societies together with many individuals and are members of "Amaltheia".



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The Bovine Breed of Kea

During the years "AMALTHIA" has been engaged in more than 20 projects for which "We" are proud of.



A herd of 21 was discovered on the remote island of Makronisos in 2012.

Today, "Amaltheia" has established 2 breeding groups on the island of Kea. The search continues in other parts of Greece for other Kea animals.

One of the most important projects is the "rediscovery" of a recognised bovine breed thought to be extinct more than 4 decades ago.

The KEA is the only milk producing Greek breed and was used also for agricultural activities.





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NEEDS & PROBLEMS

Funding is the biggest obstacle that “We” face in order to achieve our goals, especially during the current recession.

Legislation & bureaucracy consists a major obstacle, since it favors modern breeds and does not allow changes.

Ignorance from a big part of the farmers / breeders about the value of their breeds and the way to preserve / improve them.



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NEEDS & PROBLEMS

Providing coordination and support on European and other programs.

Representing Our (Amaltheia) interests at the European decision making centres.

Supporting the collaboration between partners for potential common project