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PRESS RELEASE

TEXAN and the Association of Greek Olympic Gold Medalists join forces for the environmental awareness raising of the young generation

Representatives of TEXAN together with the Olympic Gold Medalist in Weightlifting, Mr. Pyrros Dimas & the President of the Association of Greek Olympic Gold Medalists, Mrs. Voula Zygouri visited schools of Attica, in the context of informing students about the Big Educational Recycling Competition for Primary & Secondary Schools!

The importance of recycling as an integral pillar for environmental protection and sustainable development were highlighted by TEXAN executives **along with the Gold Medalist in weightlifting, Mr. Pyrros Dimas**, as well as the **President of the Association of Greek Olympic Gold Medalists, Mrs. Voula Zygouri**, during informative visits that took place in schools in Attica. The above actions are part of the **Big Educational Recycling Competition for Primary & Secondary Education students** implemented by the company jointly with the Regional Association of Attica Municipalities.

In particular, Mr. Pyrros Dimas, in the presence of 150 students of the 1th Lyceum (upper secondary education school) in Galatsi, highlighted the values of sports and how they blend with the philosophy and culture of recycling. *“The relationship between sports and the natural environment is bidirectional and this is why protecting it and conserving natural resources should be a priority for every athlete. Just as teamwork and cooperation are encouraged through sports, similarly, through this competition implemented by TEXAN, you are given the opportunity to learn about environmental management and circular economy, each one of you making his/her own contribution to the well-being of the planet,”* he said.

Similarly, Ms. Zygouri referred to the common vision of the Association of Greek Olympic Gold Medalists with TEXAN, i.e. to foster the environmental consciousness of all and especially young people, as well as to raise awareness for the active participation of students in the recycling process.

The educational visit was attended by the Mayor of Galatsi, Mr. Giorgos Markopoulos, who said the following: *“It is my great pleasure to have such initiatives carried out around critical issues, such as climate change and reducing the environmental footprint. It is important to encourage citizens to take action and to educate themselves on the importance of sustainable development. I am sure that the results to be derived from this Competition will exceed the anticipated ones.”*

The President of TEXAN, Mr. Apostolos Mourgos said the following: *“At TEXAN, we acknowledge the need for action and education in the field of recycling and we undertake initiatives that have a positive impact on the environment and society as a whole. Working with the Association of Greek Olympic Gold Medalists is an excellent example of how we can join forces to achieve common goals. Through education and active participation of young people in the recycling process, we create a culture of sustainable development and environmental awareness. Until now the participation of students has*

been really impressive throughout Attica, which gives us impetus for other even greater actions in the future."

Mr. Adam Adamopoulos, Headmaster of the 1st Lyceum in Galatsi, added: *"This visit is an excellent opportunity for our students to learn and be inspired by Mr. Dimas as role model and develop more conscious practices for recycling and environmental protection."* In addition, Mr. Vassileios Saleavourakis, Headmaster at the 2nd General Lyceum of Acharnes reported that today's visit enabled students to realize that recycling and environmental protection are in line with the principles and values embodied by sports. *"It is certain that by participating in TEXAN Recycling Educational Competition, not only do they claim lavish gifts but also reap the benefits that will accompany them in their daily lives,"* he added.

In the coming period, further visits will be held at schools in Attica, with the aim of informing more and more students about TEXAN actions.

A few words about the Competition:

The Big Educational Recycling Competition, held under the auspices of the Ministry of Education, Religious Affairs & Sports, will **last until March 31st** and the schools with the highest participation will have the opportunity to claim **unique gifts – prizes**, such as a 5-day trip to any city in Europe they choose. The competition is part of TEXAN's social and environmental awareness program, which sets as a priority the enhancement of environmental awareness, as well as the practical support to society. In this context, the company has developed the world's first **MOBILE CENTER FOR ENVIRONMENTAL EDUCATION & RECYCLING**, aiming at educating students and citizens on sustainable development and circular economy.

For **further information** about **TEXAN** and **its actions** you can visit <https://recycling-center.gr/> or call at: 2109751000 and 8011111600.

About TEXAN Environmental Management

TEXAN Environmental Management Group constitutes a leader in the construction and operation of automated high technology recycling machines. In cooperation with the American Group Envipco, TEXAN Group has created in Greece the 1st production plant of rewarding recycling machines beyond the USA borders. TEXAN carries out a significant social action and applies the only and innovative integrated Corporate Social Responsibility Program and donates € 1.000.000 to support important actions for the environment, education, health and local communities, entitled "We donate € 1.000.000 - It's up to you how to allocate it".

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