## **Network of Solidarity Schools**

The Network of Solidarity Schools is a venture for the coordination, collaboration and co-action of structures engaged in education, struggling against any kind of exclusions. Solidarity schools addressed a spectrum of educational needs such as the preparation for national exams, extra tuition, classes of foreign languages, classes of Greek language and also art classes, in correspondance with local communities.

The Network of Solidarity School is a multiform network of learning communities, with democratic and participatory operation, which prioritize social empowerment and collective action to individualism and inertia. It consists of eight solidarity schools from Piraeus, Athens, Thessaloniki, Corfu and Chios.

The Network makes decisions through open assemblies without permanent roles or representatives. It has already organized two meetings at the School of Fine Arts in Athens with sessions about its social and pedagogical purposes. In collaboration with Efsyn (The Journalists' Journal) the network releases the journal insert "Desks of solidarity", four times a year with the participation of international collaborators such as LO i Oslo (Norway), Academics for Peace (Turkey) etc.

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