

Gender related issues in the Nestos River Basin, Maggana, Greece

- 60% (almost 1260 people) of the local population are involved in the particular land uses.
- 139 women headed households for 525 men headed households.
- Task Division (M)en or (W)omen: Field tasks (m), animal herding(m), book keeping(m), kale yard care (w), parenting (w), domestic animal herding (w)
- There isn't any change in roles during special seasons.
- Domestic duties and kale yard care belong exclusively to women. It's a matter of culture.
- Field tasks are done almost exclusively by men.
- Both gender have access to stakeholder meetings, to credits and to agricultural

- Local inhabitants see the matter of degradation in true perspective, knowing that it will keep getting worse, unless a new conservation strategy is implemented.
- The impact of a potential change in land management is more than promising. Both men and women will be benefitted from direct net income increase and improvement of livelihood.

Impact of DESIRE Workshops

In the 1st Workshop both men and women were present but with men outnumbered women (only 3 of the 38 participants were women).
In the 2nd Workshop only one participant was a woman (total workshop participants 8).

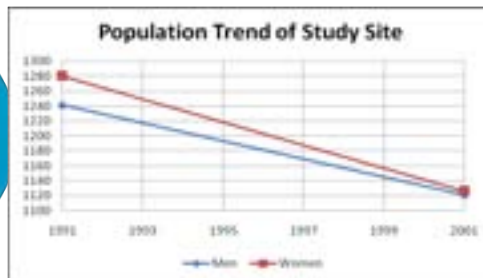
Unfortunately none of the women have remained involved in some way.

Hopefully, with land remediation in the study area to be occurred after the implementation of the selected strategy, there will be a crop rise which requires more labour and therefore the involvement of women. This will lead to a direct net income increase of local families.

General remark on gender policy

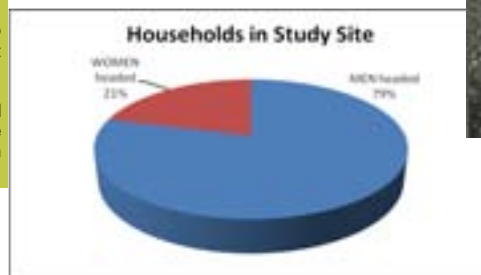
Elimination of negative stereotypes concerning the role of men and women in society and the family, due to educational process and sensitization of parents and particular fathers.

9,7% Men Population decrease
12,4% Women Population decrease



About new land management strategies:

- Both men and women have access to information of potential land management strategies which are disseminated through local press.
- Additionally, the workshops organized within the DESIRE project provide qualitative information concerning such strategies.



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