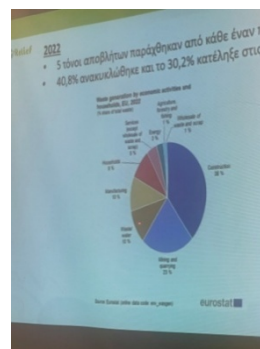
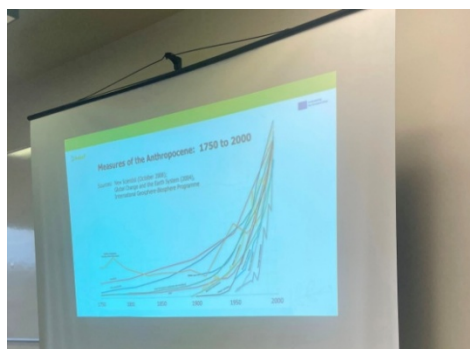


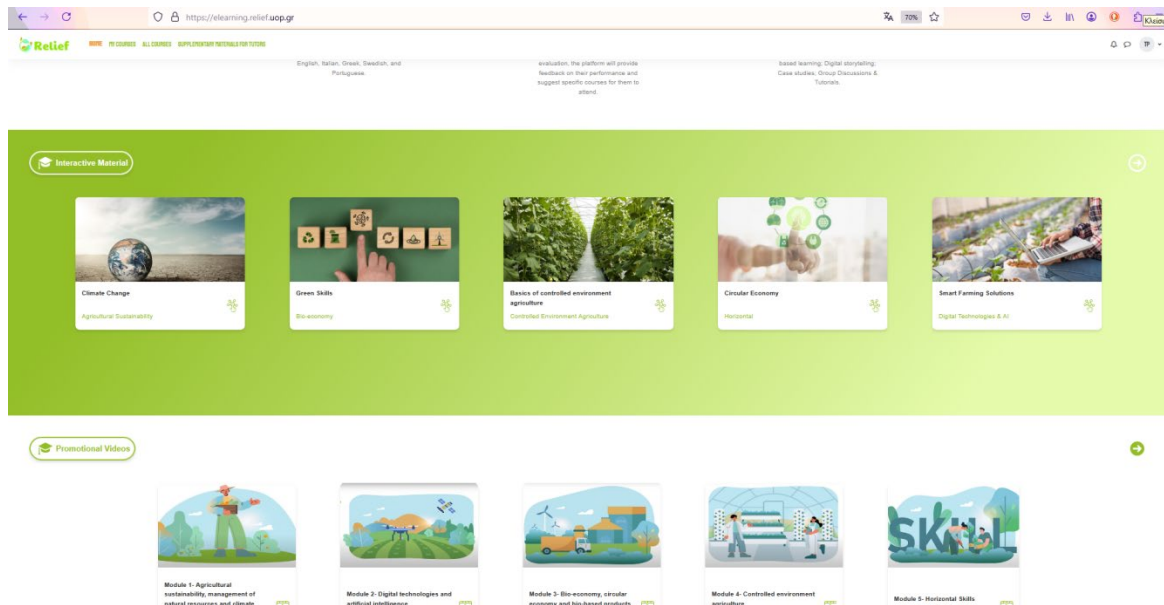
RELIEF - Circular Economy training wrap-up with GeoSolution study visit in Greece

In Greece, a group of 15 trainees, including professional farmers, agronomists, agricultural advisors, and other professionals, had the opportunity to participate in all the training activities of the Training Module "Circular Economy" designed under the European project RELIEF, from 5 December 2024 to 15 February 2025.

Aiming to deepen the knowledge and understanding of the circular economy, the educational action started with the face-to-face training in Bioeconomy, circular economy and products of organic origin, under the guidance of Mr. Nassos Makios, who is a Physicist MSc, [Ambassador of the European Climate Pact](#) and member of the [HSCE - Hellenic Society for Circular Economy](#).



To achieve the training's objective, which was none other than to guide the participants in integrating green, creative and circular processes evaluation for sustainable management of natural resources and waste minimization, while proposing natural ways to reduce the carbon footprint of the primary sector, in addition to the classroom training, access was given to the educational platform of the [RELIEF](https://elearning.relief.uop.gr) project where participants could run the educational content at their own pace.



Finally, on 29/01/2025, when all participants had gone through sufficient educational content on the platform, a study visit to the GEO.Solution composting centre was organised. (<https://geosolution.com.gr>).



This choice was made as composting is taking a leading position in sustainable waste management, emerging as an effective tool for protecting the environment, promoting social cohesion and enhancing economic efficiency.

For GEO.Solution, sustainability is a necessity rather than a simple choice, and the implementation of composting is one of the company's activities that offers ideal solutions to critical environmental and social problems.

During their visit to the site, the participants of the VET module VET - C1 "Circular Economy", had the opportunity to observe the composting process and the use of the final product as a means for:

1. Strengthening agricultural production
2. Preventing desertification
3. Managing plant pathogens
4. Management of natural resources, including water
5. Reducing carbon dioxide emissions



The trainees gained an in-depth understanding of the benefits of a circular economic process in agriculture, which, by using affordable technologies, can be:

- Economically sustainable
- Environmentally friendly
- Socially acceptable.