

I.D.E.A. Transparency guide, in English

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**A GUIDE TO ORGANIZE COMMUNITY ACTIONS
WITH TRANSPARENCY**

I.D.E.A. TRANSPARENCY METHOD

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I.Δ.E.A.'s goals

-  We only implement community actions when we can guarantee the transparency, regarding both money and organization. Our bank accounts are accessible to anyone by showing them at our website and we welcome any audit.
-  We urge our donors to DEMAND a full report of how their donation was spent.
-  We encourage people to organize their own actions and we mentor them in doing so.
-  Our implement actions helping the people, the animals and the environment.
-  With regards to people in need, we focus on, but not limit ourselves to, covering basic needs such as food, water, clothing, housing, education and health services. We always welcome any other kind of event that supports the community.
-  We never give money to the people we help, we provide goods and services.
-  To assure transparency, we do not use intermediates but we address directly those in need.
-  We are not related to any violent act.
-  We are not related to any political party.
-  We are not related to any religion groups.
-  We operate in a democratic manner, without leaders!
-  All correspondence regarding I.Δ.E.A. actions is conducted through our [facebook](#) wall or on the wall of each event, so that everyone can have access to all related information.

Why we insist on transparency .

Two are the main problems of today's society. The first and most important one is individualism. Not having realized that, it is by helping others that we help ourselves, each one of us shutters to himself and his immediate family and friends, which results to the prevalence of the “divide and conquer” way of living. I.Δ.E.A. and other groups' aim is to change this, by offering to “unknown friends”.

The second major problem is the lack of transparency in most of our every day dealings, mainly in the financial ones. As we all know by now, our politicians defraud and consequently many of us defraud from the state, that is from ourselves. This is a loop, the results of which we experience these days.

I.Δ.E.A. is the first Non-Profit Organisation, which, since 2007, aims to enhance the benefits of transparency in our society, by applying a pioneering method of donation management. The transparency method of I.Δ.E.A. (M.Δ.I.) is much more transparent than the mechanism used by the state for the NGO audit and that all other mechanisms used by audit firms. It is common knowledge that with the ongoing auditing regulations, many NGOs operate in an illicit manner while presenting a lawful operation to the state.

To achieve transparency, we need to work harder and more organized. The high levels of transparency that we present, serves as a magnet to all self conscious people who wish to change society. At the same time, transparency is a shield against all slanderous accusations towards us, giving us the opportunity to focus on our work.

Who can organize actions through I.Δ.E.A.

-  Each and everyone who is willing to organize a transparent beneficial action, can do so through I.Δ.E.A.
-  The organizer should be in a position to fill in an action report form, with guidance from a senior IDEATIS. It is very easy to complete the form!

Limitations to the I.Δ.E.A. actions

-  Actions where the transparency cannot be proven, both in financial and management level, cannot take place.
-  Actions that include any kind of violence cannot take place
-  Actions that imply political party involvement or politics cannot take place

What kind of help we provide to the action organizers - IDEATES.

-  We provide guidance to IDEATI for the necessary steps for the organization of their event.
-  We provide volunteers and donations from the I.Δ.E.A. friends' network.
-  We make sure that an experienced volunteer is always present in the form of an assistant in every event, so that the organizer feels confident all the way through their action.
-  This assistance is in a consultational level so that the organizer of the action is empowered to implement their action.

How do I suggest a new action

-  The first step is to fill in the action form. This can be found in our page on Facebook, under the label Archives ([ΦΟΡΜΑ ΔΡΑΣΗΣ Ι.Δ.Ε.Α.](#)), as well as in our website, www.idea.org.gr
-  The new IDEATIS fills in the form, as fully as he can and emails it to Theodossis Tzanos [boudisimo@idea.org.gr] **AND** to Dimitroula Psimouli [dpsimouli@gmail.com]. He is then guided through the remaining Event Form.

Communication and action coordination.

-  Our main communication instrument so far is our [facebook](#) page. To organize an action, one needs to have a profile in Facebook or to find a volunteer with a Facebook profile to assist him in organizing the action..
-  Each comment, question or suggestion should be made on each event's wall or on the I.Δ.E.A. wall, if it concerns the whole group. If the comment needs to be answered by a specific person, the the person's name should be tagged for notification reasons. If you cannot use the different features of Facebook and you would like to start an event, one of our volunteers will help you learn.
-  The reason for the above procedure is that we want everyone to be able to read comments and to learn how an event is organized. This is the only way to achieve transparency in the organization of events, by giving access to all information and therefore the opportunity for people to contribute in every topic.

How do we fund an action.

-  We aim to manage all financial transactions through our bank account, so that we can upload our statement in plain view for anyone, using 'print screen'.
-  It is essential to write your name and event code you want to support in all bank deposits. Each event has its own unique code. If you wish to support an ongoing event, just insert the event title with your name. (If you wish to remain anonymous, please use a nick name in order to check that your donation has appeared in our bank account. A copy of our statement is uploaded on www.idea.org.gr and on our facebook page on a monthly basis).
-  In case someone deposits money without a name and reference, these will be used for our ongoing events FOOD FOR ALL by night and FOOD FOR ALL door to door!
-  Cash can only be given to Dimitroula Psimouli (I.Δ.E.A. Treasurer) and to Theodissis Tzanos (Founder of I.Δ.E.A.), only if they have a validated by the tax authority receipt book on them and give out the proper receipt on the spot.
-  For food and material donations, the IDEATIS must write the name of the donor and the things he donated in the wall of the action. We prefer that donors write their donations on our facebook wall on their own. In case the donor does not have a facebook profile, he should send his donation with an email at info@idea.org.gr (with subject “Event Transparency – event code”).

Suggestion of an alternative supplier

-  In order to avoid situations where an IDEATIS takes “commission” for a supplier, we welcome all suggestions for alternative suppliers for the necessary materials for our events. This suggestions should be cheaper than the ones used and must comply with all the technical specifications and time for purchase required.

When is an action completed

-  Each action is considered complete when all information related to its transparency are recorded and uploaded in plain view. These information are specified by the Founder of I.Δ.E.A. Theodossis Tzanos and the Treasurer Dimitroula Psimouli. All I.Δ.E.A. friends can suggest improvements relating to the I.Δ.E.A. Transparency Method

Consequences when not complying with the I.Δ.Ε.Α. Transparency Method

-  We all deserve the chance to organize actions and to contribute to our community, that is our Home! Giving this opportunity to everyone can be a risk, as there might be people who will try to undermine I.Δ.Ε.Α. and not to follow it. Despite this risk, the benefit for society from the existence of many organizers is so big that this risk is worth taking. In the event that an action does not comply with the I.Δ.Ε.Α. Transparency Method requirements, the IDEATIS that organized it will be denied the chance to organize actions in the future.
-  In case an action ends without transparency, it is archived as incomplete and the IDEATIS will be deprived of the opportunity to organize events.

I.Δ.E.A. Transparency Method Explained

I.Δ.E.A. has 2 e-banking accounts through which we manage all the funds available. The bank statements are published on our website www.idea.org.gr and in our page on [facebook](https://www.facebook.com/idea.org.gr), for everyone to see as they wish.

The bank statements are uploaded at least once a month, without modification using 'print screen'. If there is doubt for the authenticity of the statements, one can print them and bring them to our monthly meetings, where we can log in to our accounts and check of discrepancies. This way our transparency methods cannot be second guessed.

Administrator of the 2 bank accounts is the founder of I.Δ.E.A. Theodossis Tzanos. By having just one administrator, we know who is to blame in case of a “mistake”.

I.Δ.E.A.’s 1st expenses account

Alpha bank **IBAN GR76 0140 3630 3630 0200 2000 136**

The 1st account is for the promotion of the **I.Δ.E.A. Union**. When there are promotion expenses we make it public and people can contribute towards the payoff of this expenses (we always aim to receive promotional services for free).

I.Δ.E.A.’s 2nd events account

Alpha bank **IBAN GR54 0140 3630 3630 0200 2000 144**

Our second bank account is exclusively for our actions. In this way, those who donate to the 2nd account, know that their donation will go in full to their wished action.

By separating our expenses from our actions, we make transparency procedures and their audit much easier. For every purchase we make, we photograph the receipt and we publish it in our website so that one can easily compare the money spend with those deposited in the account. Furthermore for each actions we take many pictures and video documentation when possible, in order to prove that the actions has taken place.

Our I.Δ.E.A. Transparency Method is a procedure with continuous improvements. We welcome any observation or suggestions, so please contact us at info@idea.org.gr

Also note that we do not keep other bank accounts in other banks. If you see any requests for donations in other bank accounts by I.Δ.E.A. please contact us at info@idea.org.gr and we will proceed to legal procedures.



I.D.E.A. is a voluntary, non-governmental, non-profit union.

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I.D.E.A. belongs to those who want to offer to the community, with transparency!

*Think of ways to give back to your community and we will help you to realize
your idea! :-)*