

## Organosi 2.0 (Organization 2.0) a platform for self-organized networks of social solidarity



The Organosi 2.0 (Organization 2.0) research initiative aims at developing an online-accessible database for the grassroots social movements of mutual aid and solidarity organized by citizens in Greece. This database can be used for disseminating information about these movements, whereas one more objective is to support collective discussion and interaction for creating new ideas, as well as assessing the use of social media as a platform for developing self-organized movements.

The Organosi 2.0 initiative was launched in December 2011 as part of the research effort of Mrs. Eleni-Revekka Staiou, member of the Digital Media for Participation research group of the Laboratory of New Technologies in Communication, Education and the Mass Media, with a view to collecting information about as many as possible self-organized grassroots movements on an accessible website, providing the opportunity for information, communication, collaboration as well as new ideas for social solidarity and mutual support.

In order for self-organized grassroots movements to be listed on the Organosi 2.0 platform, they need to comply to the following criteria:

- cover a sector where the care of the state is missing namely, provide services which in principle, and under better circumstances, could be provided, or at least enabled, by public agencies
- realize concrete activities, going beyond protest to action namely, organize events, offer services and have a tangible and practical contribution to meeting social needs
- do not make discriminations of any kind the Organosi 2.0 platform does not list social movements that proclaim political, religious or any other sort of discriminations.

Self-organized movements are grouped in different categories, depending on their exact topics of reference (human rights, healthcare, drugs and vaccines, food and groceries, clothes, producer-to-consumer trading, alternative currencies, stuff exchange, service exchange, course offers, time banks, carpooling, biking, art and culture, care about the city, care about nature, other topics) as well as their geographical region, and can be searched in the corresponding categories and maps of the <u>http://organosi20.gr</u> webpage.





The Organosi 2.0 initiative does not adopt, neither criticize, the views of the self-organized movements listed. A mechanism for rating and moderated comments is available to all visitors of the Organosi 2.0 website.

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