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**PRESS RELEASE**

Xanthi Forest Directorate according to the Action C2 "THINNING INTERVENTION" of the European Project LIFE14 CCM/IT/000905 "FoResMit": "Recovery of degraded coniferous Forests for environmental sustainability Restoration and climate change Mitigation", designed and developed a dynamic website ([www.xanthigerakas-forest.gr](http://www.xanthigerakas-forest.gr)) and a phone application, through a public tender, for viewing and getting information about the management data of the public forest "Gerakas - Xanthi - Kimmeria" study.

The screenshot shows the website interface for the Public Forest of Gerakas-Xanthi-Kimmeria. At the top, there are logos for 'FoResMit' and 'Life', along with the project title 'Recovery of degraded coniferous Forests for environmental sustainability Restoration and climate change Mitigation' and the project ID 'LIFE14 CCM/IT/000905'. Below the logos are social media icons for Facebook, Twitter, and YouTube, and a 'GET IT ON Google play' button. The main navigation menu includes 'Home', 'The Forest', 'Management plan', 'Forest management data', 'Announcements', and 'Contact'. The main content area features a large image of a forest landscape with a 'Welcome to the website of the Public Forest of "Gerakas-Xanthi-Kimmeria"' heading. Below the heading is a detailed text block describing the forest's location, administrative status, and characteristics. To the right of the text is a map showing the forest's location in the Xanthi region. The map includes a scale bar and the ESRI logo.

**Welcome to the website of the Public Forest of "Gerakas-Xanthi-Kimmeria"**

The public forest of "Gerakas-Xanthi-Kimmeria" belongs to the Greek State with an exception of certain areas in the east-north and south-west part that are private. The forest extends from the west of the county, using river Nestos as a border, in the Straits of Nestos, to the eastern boundaries of the county with the county of Rhodope, between 41° 12' 44" to 41° 05' 10" north and 01° 03' 50" to 01° 22' 35 east. Administratively it belongs to the municipality of Xanthi, municipality of Stavroupoli, municipality of Topiros and community o Selero, according to Kapodistrias plan. Forest administratively belongs to the Forest Service of Xanthi and a small part belongs to the Forest Service of Stavroupoli.

The area of the forest has an intense soil surface with many hills and gorges, with all the streams pouring into Kosynthos stream that feeds the lake Visthonida. The orientation of the forest varies, due to the hills and to the terrain with dominant the south and west slopes that face from North to South to the city of Xanthi. The altitude is 60 to 1402 meters (mean altitude 600 meters) and the slope is 5% to 80%. The forest presents special characteristics: the Straits of Nestos with the stiff cliffs and famous meandered river at the area Plagia (891 meters altitude) and the suburban forest that extends from the east to the west of the city and also the virgin forest of 7000 acres in the position Mavopedi.

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**Map**

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