## About us:



## NLUK (NAOM Landesgruppe Umwelt Kreta) e.V.

The NLUK e.V. is a subsidiary association of the NAOM e.V. which is active in Germany since about 35 years in the range of environment and nature conservation and has been distinguished several times for its non-profit work; e.g. 1984: Ecological awardees of district Offenbach a.M.; 1987 certified with European Ecological Award. The NAOM is also active within the geological-paleontological area.

Since there is no uniform European law for associations and to become active on the isle of Crete, the NLUK was founded as a subsidiary association. In 2007 the NLUK has been registered as the first, non-profit, acknowledged environmental association for and on Crete with the district court in Irakleio in the manner of Greek law [therefore see at: <u>http://www.kreta-umweltforum.de/Merkblaetter\_en/NLUK\_association\_registration.pdf</u>]

The local activities of the NLUK are similar to the work scope of the NAOM. Environmental and nature protection, ecological fair waste management, protection of biotope and species, animal welfare as well as public information are in focus. The NLUK Homepage (www.kretaumweltform.de) is the main board of public information about the different activities. Here you will find information sheets / leaflets (http://www.kreta-umweltforum.de/NLUK\_en.htm: currently 215 therefore translated pdf files: see at: [http://www.kretaumweltforum.de/en/uebersicht\_NLUK\_en.htm]) in different topics: History of Crete / Archaeology - Monasteries / Churches - Geology / Paleontology - Fossils / Place of finding - Caves - Gorges -Botanical – Animals – Ecological- / Nature conservancy – Country and People – Tours / Excursions - and last but not least http://www.kreta-umweltforum.de/en/buergerinfo\_en.htm

The webpage of the NLUK (where all information's, including the leaflets, are free of charge and possible to be downloaded and printed) is at the same time a publication organ for project results and offers also a forum [http://www.kreta-umweltforum.de/wbb2/] for the exchange of information. There are currently 245 users registered to this forum where 4 new contributions are posted averagely per day. There are currently more than 11.900 contributions about something more than 8.000 topics.

Details about work projects, goals and purposes of the NLUK e.V. are fixed within the preamble and the statute of the association; there see at: [http://www.kreta-umweltforum.de/Merkblaetter\_en/Statute.pdf]

In early 2015 the NLUK counted **200 members from 16 nations**; the association federation NAOM/NLUK counted 271 members; they are regularly informed about the activities of the association particularly by info mails and newsletters (bilingual).

Our homepage (including our sub domain <u>www.naom.de</u>) listed a daily average of more than 2.000 visitors over the last couple of years; more than 600.000 per year

Our slogan: "We want to preserve Crete and its people from harm; therefore we protect Crete's environment and nature."

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