



Fair Jobs and Life in Peace for All

Thessaloniki | 2–4 June 2026

 Vafopouleio Cultural Center
[Vafopoulou 5, Thessaloniki 546 46](#)

As we celebrate 10 years of NAOMI, we invite you to join us to reflect on our shared achievements, thank our supporters and renew our commitment for social inclusion and environmental protection.

Tuesday, 2 June 2026

Together We Experience Community Life at CASA BASE

 17:30–20:30

 CASA BASE, Diavata

An opening evening dedicated to community, connection, and shared experiences. In NAOMI's safe space for women and children, the CASA BASE community invites guests to participate in their various activities and share a communal meal, prepared with love by the community members.

Important Information

- Participation requires prior registration at the NAOMI office.
- A donation box will be available to support the needs of CASA BASE.

Transportation

 Chartered bus departure at 17:00

 Meeting point: Egnatia Street, Aristotelous Square, in front of Venizelos statue.

Wednesday, 3 June 2026

Together We Stand for Human Rights

Exhibition Opening: **NAOMI - Moments of Today, a Legacy for the Future**

Photography exhibition and presentation of creations from NAOMI workshops and production

 17:00–19:00  Vafopoulia Exhibition Space 5th Floor

The photographers participating are members of the UMBRA Photography Group of Thessaloniki: Vasilis Karkatselis, Katerina Batziou, Giannis Pomakis, Dimitris Symeonidis.
Exhibition Curator: Vasilis Karkatselis, visual artist.

Conference

 18:00 - 21:00  Vafopouleio Theater, 1st Floor

Researchers, civil society organizations, refugees, and international guests report on the challenges of human rights and social inclusion in Greece and beyond. Special attention is given to the situation of beneficiaries of international protection in Greece, as well as to people returned to Greece from other EU countries. These people often face homelessness and limited access to basic rights and integration support.

18:00

Welcome Remarks by the **NAOMI Board** and international guests

18:30

Human Rights at Risk: The Rule of Law in Europe and Greece

ASPASIA THEOCHARI, Lawyer, Vice President of the Hellenic League for Human Rights

(in Greek with translation)

Followed by Q&A Dimitris Angelidis, journalist at EFSYN

19:15 - 19:45

Break for refreshments  Vafopouleio Ground Floor, Foyer 2

19:45

The Situation of Beneficiaries of International Protection and Returnees to Greece

from other EU Countries: Research findings by **Michael Kientzle** (co-founder and former director of Mobile Info Team, Thessaloniki), commissioned by NAOMI *(in English)*

Followed by Q&A

20:15

Voices from the Ground on the situation

Civil society representatives, refugees, NGOs, and public service actors share experiences on rights, housing, employment, and integration pathways.

Followed by Q&A moderated by Gabriella Samsponidou

20:45

Closing Greetings by our honored guest Rafael Nikodemus, Protestant Church of Rhineland/Germany

Thursday, 4 June 2026

Together We Stand for Ethical Fashion & Fair Jobs

A full day dedicated to ethical production, sustainability, creativity, and fair employment.

 **Educational Zero-Waste Workshops** for visiting school groups.

 10:00 – 13:30  Vafopouleio, Events space – 3rd Floor

 **Exhibition NAOMI - Moments of Today, a Legacy for the Future**

Photography exhibition and creations from NAOMI workshops and production

 **10:00 – 18:00**  Vafopouleio Exhibition space 5th floor

The NAOMI Shop / Information Stands / Swap Bazaar

The NAOMI Shop offers visitors the opportunity to discover and purchase unique creations from our upcycling and zero-waste collections. Repurposed jeans, banners, bicycle tubes and production offcuts are the materials we use, along with organic fabrics.

NAOMI offers secure, legal employment in a friendly environment and our team includes refugees and asylum seekers. You will meet the team, who will present the high quality NAOMI collection and share the inspiring stories behind each piece. Every purchase of a NAOMI product supports the inclusion of our colleagues in Greek society.

Alongside NAOMI, partner organizations working in ethical fashion and social entrepreneurship will showcase their initiatives and creative projects.

Our guests are invited to explore the Swap Bazaar and visit the NAOMI information desk to learn more about volunteering opportunities and ways to support our mission.

 11:00 – 18:00  Vafopouleio Ground Floor, Foyer 2

NAOMI Shop: Accessories, T-shirts, purses, tote bags, bucket hats and more available for purchase. Some items offered at special anniversary pricing.

Partner Organization Stands, with presentation of their programs
(e.g. *Fashion Revolution*, *Wasteless Design*, *Οπάτια*, *Incommon*, *Treli Rodia*)

Swap Bazaar (bring 3 nice clothing items and select 3 new items) - organized by the *Crossroads Community*, with information about their activities <https://www.crossroadsgr.org/>

NAOMI Information & Volunteer Registration Stand



Fashion Show & Celebration of Slow Fashion



18:00 - 20:30



Vafopouleio Exhibition Space, 5th floor

18:00 – Welcome & Opening Greetings

The evening begins with welcome greetings from our Board of Directors and team, presenting members, partners and supporters who together brought NAOMI to life.

Fashion Catwalk Showcase

- **NAOMI Origins – “Remember Idomeni” Collection**
Original creations inspired by the very beginning of our journey.
- **Textile Academy**
A celebration of the creativity, talent, and innovation of our Textile Academy students.
- **Open House Sewing Workshops**
Selected pieces and highlights from our workshops in Thessaloniki and CASA BASE.
- **Swap Bazaar**
Highlight pieces from the exchange bazaar, promoting sustainability and conscious fashion through the circular fashion initiative.
- **Refugee Solidarity Initiative**
A meaningful project dedicated to creating trousers and underwear for refugees, combining craftsmanship with social impact.
- **Partner Wholesale Productions**
Professional garment creations developed for business and NGO partners.
- **The Signature Collection**
The iconic NAOMI collection, featuring our defining designs and slogan series.

20:20 - 20:30 | Closing Remarks

The day will conclude with closing greetings from our honored guests, Sabine Müller Langsdorf and Christina Schnepel of the Ecumenical Center of Frankfurt.

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