



Düşler  Akademi  
Kaş



Where dreams come true!

## About AYDER & Dreams Academy

The Dreams Academy is a social entrepreneurial project funded by UNDP (United Nations Development Program) and Turkey Vodafone Foundation. Dreams Academy, since 2008 has been providing a free of charge education and volunteering based services. The founder **AYDER (Alternative Life Association)** has been playing an important role in Turkey for having a big social change on disability issue by implementing different projects such as "Diving is Freedom", "Alternative Camp", "Best Buddies" and "Reha İstanbul".

The **Dreams Academy** with its dynamic program has turned into an permanent alternative academy of arts which prepares the socially excluded youngsters to a real life.



Innovative sub-projects such as Social Inclusion Band, Dreams Campaign and Dreams Kitchen contribute to the professional development of participants and enable them to acquire vocational skills and earn money. With the educational and consulting activities it carried out, the Academy aims at transforming public perception regarding disability.

The Project which has an extensive network of volunteers at national and international level introduces a sustainable and innovative social entrepreneurship model with the knowledge and energy of its volunteers that take part in the Project in various ways and the faith and commitment of the corporate supporters and sponsors for the Project.

## Çukurbağ Primary School

- The school the construction of which started in 1940 was built by the villagers themselves and it took two years to build it.
- There was one workshop and 3 classrooms in the school which started education in 1942 as a village institute.
- The school which had almost 120 students adopted centralized curriculum later.
- Construction of the school was carried out with collective voluntary work and all its needs were met by the villagers, as well.
- Cukurbag Primary School which produced its last graduates in 1986 was closed due to the mobile education system and the students were transferred to the schools at the center of Kaş.
- In 2013 the school has been renovated by Dreams Academy in keeping its old spirit as a heritage.



## Alternative Camp



- ★ Swimming
- ★ Diving
- ★ Boat Tours
- ★ Horse Riding

- ★ Trekking
- ★ Forest Adventure
- ★ Beach Volley
- ★ Mountain Biking

- ★ Tai Chi
- ★ Yoga
- ★ Table Tennis
- ★ Archery



Inclusion

## Ecologic Living

By using the 3500 SQM farm in the academy, we strive to provide all the agricultural necessities of the academy without using any chemical substances and without consuming any industrial food. Instead of following the modern urban lifestyle, we also adopt ecological living principles, using renewable energy solutions.





Love

# Dreams Academy

- ★ Self Improvement
- ★ Scientific Thinking
- ★ Philosophy
- ★ Photography
- ★ Filming
- ★ Post Production
- ★ Universal Design
- ★ How to Approach to Disability
- ★ Foreign Language
- ★ Sign Language
- ★ Drama
- ★ Painting
- ★ Sculpture
- ★ Music
- ★ Dance
- ★ Theatre



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# *The main principle of the Dreams Academy:*

## **Volunteerism (Volunteering)**

Volunteers are the most leading and dynamic powers of social change. People who dedicate their short or long term quality time to an initiative that they believe in are the new role models and knights despite the consumption societies. The most important sustainability guarantee of the social change projects is the volunteering programs.

## **Respecting Diversity**

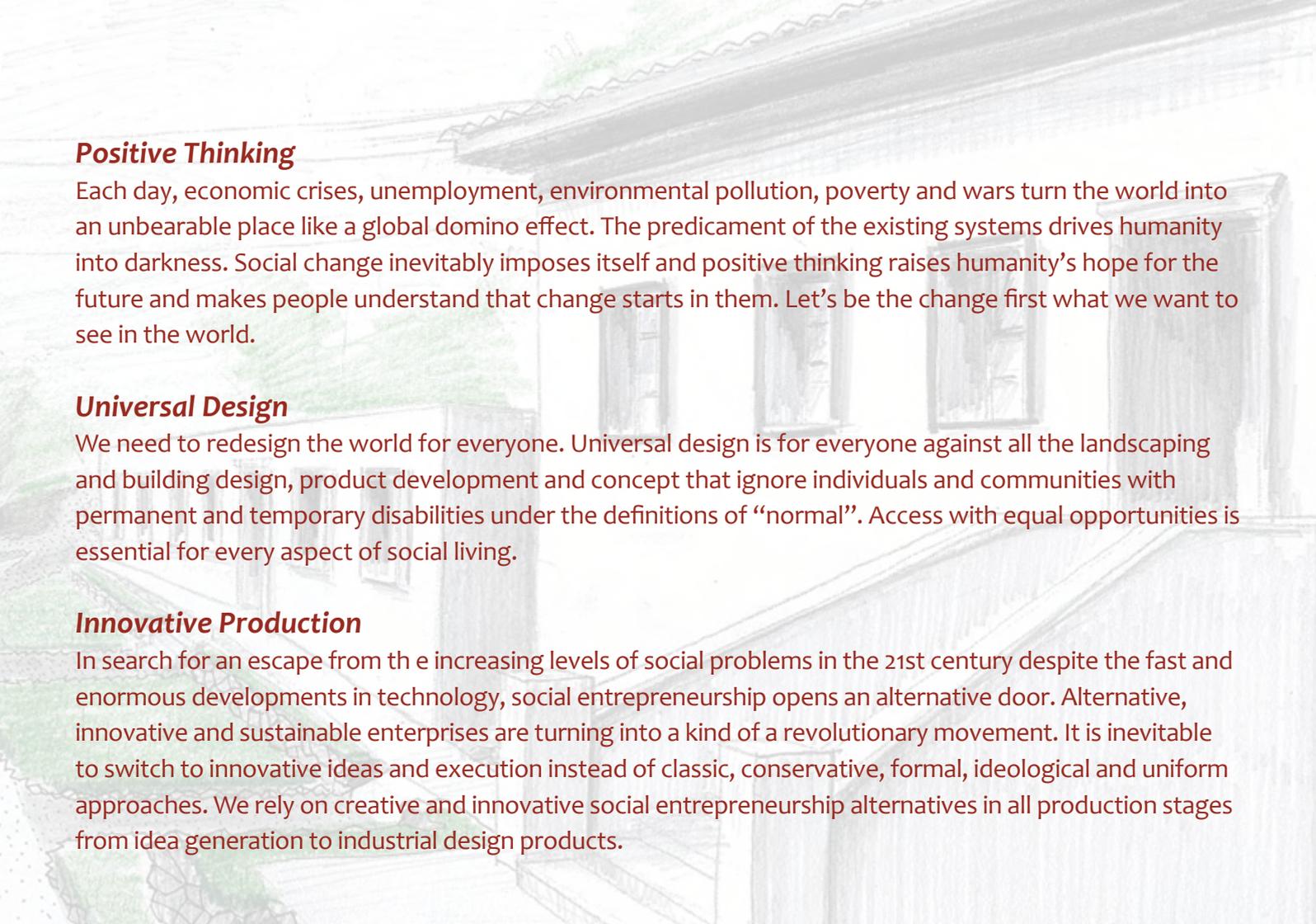
Living without distinguishing people according to their (dis)abilities, their monetary power, ethnic roots or cultural backgrounds and respecting all kinds of diversity are the main components of our united universal fraternity, equal rights and opportunities approach. Living equally without barriers is a way of existence and “nothing humanistic is unfamiliar to us”.

## **Gratuitous Sharing**

Everything is based on purchasing and consuming all the time... Yet, knowing how to give and share what is available is the true wealth. Our accumulated experience, knowledge and feelings are open for sharing without expecting anything in return.

## **Intercultural Interaction**

Technology speeds up the virtual communication. We need cross interaction without alienating from the authenticities of other cultures and geographies, shared communal spaces and dreams without borders to build bridges in between. In order to have a meaningful and productive common life cycle, an unprejudiced and unwavering acceptance filter of different cultures, local living habits and different expectations unite us. Resisting alienation!



## ***Positive Thinking***

Each day, economic crises, unemployment, environmental pollution, poverty and wars turn the world into an unbearable place like a global domino effect. The predicament of the existing systems drives humanity into darkness. Social change inevitably imposes itself and positive thinking raises humanity's hope for the future and makes people understand that change starts in them. Let's be the change first what we want to see in the world.

## ***Universal Design***

We need to redesign the world for everyone. Universal design is for everyone against all the landscaping and building design, product development and concept that ignore individuals and communities with permanent and temporary disabilities under the definitions of "normal". Access with equal opportunities is essential for every aspect of social living.

## ***Innovative Production***

In search for an escape from the increasing levels of social problems in the 21st century despite the fast and enormous developments in technology, social entrepreneurship opens an alternative door. Alternative, innovative and sustainable enterprises are turning into a kind of a revolutionary movement. It is inevitable to switch to innovative ideas and execution instead of classic, conservative, formal, ideological and uniform approaches. We rely on creative and innovative social entrepreneurship alternatives in all production stages from idea generation to industrial design products.

# Social Innovation Park

## CORPORATE TRAINING AND ACTIVITIES

- ★ Outdoor training
- ★ Challenge competition
- ★ Hiking on Lycian Way
- ★ Bike Tours
- ★ Seakayaking
- ★ Boat Safari
- ★ Horse riding
- ★ Social Entrepreneurship
- ★ Project Development
- ★ Accommodation Services
- ★ Exhibition
- ★ Software Development
- ★ Concert
- ★ Dance
- ★ Theatre
- ★ Meeting Rooms
- ★ Library
- ★ Consultancy
- ★ Music House
- ★ Agriculture
- ★ Woodwork
- ★ Artistic Products
- ★ Art Gallery
- ★ Event Management





Alternative

## Living Area





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