Museum of Ancient Greek Technology
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VISION OF THE MUSEUM IS TO PROMOTE THE TECHNOLOGICAL MIRACLE OF THE GREEK ANTIQUITY.

ROBOTICS AND COMPUTERS, STEAM-DRIVEN AND GAS PROPULSION, AUTOMOTIVE AND AUTOMATIC NAVIGATION, AUTOMATION AND AUTOMATION PROGRAMMING, TELECOMMUNICATIONS AND ENCRYPTION, GEODESY AND MAPPING, UTILIZATION OF HYDRAULIC AND WIND ENERGY, THE APPLICATION OF BELT CONVEYANCE, GEAR PAIR AND CHAIN DRIVE AND MANY OTHER SCIENCES AND TECHNIQUES HAVE BEEN DEVISED IN ANCIENT GREECE.

THE MUSEUM STUDIES, HIGHLIGHTS AND PRESENTS TO THE GREEK AND FOREIGN VISITORS THE TECHNOLOGY OF ANCIENT GREEKS, AN EXTREMELY IMPORTANT BUT RELATIVELY UNKNOWN ASPECT OF THE ANCIENT GREEK CULTURE.

TECHNOLOGY'S ROLE IS INDISPUTABLE IN THE DEVELOPMENT AND BLOOMING OF ANY CIVILIZATION, LET ALONE THE ANCIENT GREEK ONE, WHICH GAVE TO MANKIND UNRIVALED CREATIONS THAT WE KNOW AND ADMIRE — FROM THE ANTIKYTHERA CALCULATING MECHANISM TO THE ACROPOLIS AND THE PARTHENON.

The Creator
Kostas Kotsanas was born in 1963 in Ageira-Seliana, Achaia. He studied in the Department of Mechanical Engineering at the Polytechnic University of Patras (Greece). He has dedicated his life to the study of ancient Greek culture, particularly in the field of ancient Greek technology.

A lot of his research, studies and reconstructions that concern Ancient Greek Technology, have been presented at International Conferences, either as a guest lecturer in Greece and abroad (university of KAN, International Conference “ISSM”, National Library of France, National Museum of Music of Corea) either as a conventioneer (National Conference of Ancient Greek Technology, National Conference: Ancient Greece and the Modern World, University of Patras).

He has created, at his own expenses the 500 that form the exhibition today. Many of the exhibits have been presented in various periodic exhibitions in Greece and abroad (Europe, Asia, USA, and Australia). This effort has not been funded so far by any public or private organization. Kostas Kotsanas has written six books concerning Ancient Greek Technology and he is the inspirational of all three Museums of Ancient Greek Technology in Athens, Katakolo and Ancient Olympia.
The aim of the museum is to demonstrate with absolute validity and credibility that the technology of the ancient Greeks, just before the end of the Ancient Greek world, was very similar to the beginnings of our modern technology.

For example, bolts and nuts, gears and rules, pulleys and belts, sprockets and chains, pistons and cylinders, hydraulic controllers and valves, programmers and automatic navigators (all parts of the machine of a modern car) are just some of the inventions of the ancient Greeks that formed the foundation blocks of their complex technology.

These legacies, the same and irreplaceable, are still today the bedrock of our modern technology, the development of which would be dubious without their inexpensive and uncompromising adoption.

It just took over a millennium of maturity to regain humanity this remarkable forgotten technology. The exploration of this era, where state-of-the-art technology was not guaranteed, demonstrates how much more (than we think) owes contemporary Technology to the Greeks.
Discover how ancient Greek technology, shortly before the end of the ancient Greek world, was extremely similar to the beginnings of our modern technology.

All the engine components of a modern car are just some of the inventions of the ancient Greeks that formed the cornerstones of their complex technology.
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Kotsanas Museum
A unique experience...

- A unique opportunity to fully understand the origins of our modern technology
- Organized guided tours with visual and audio material
- Interactive exhibits
- Exhibit guides (Greek, English, German, French, Italian, Spanish and Russian)
- Shop with precise handmade replicas of the inventions
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