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Applicable to the Strand 2 – Measure 2.1 "Town-Twinning"

Participation: The project involved ... citizens, notably ... participants from the city of ... (**country**), ... participants from the city of ... (**country**) etc.

Location/ Dates: The event took place in ... (**city, country**), from dd/mm/yyyy to dd/mm/yyyy

Short description:

The day of dd/mm/yyyy was dedicated to ...

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Applicable to the Strand 2 – Measure 2.2 "Networks of Towns"

Measure 2.3 "Civil Society Projects"

Strand 1 – "European Remembrance"

5 events have been carried out within this project:

Event 1

Participation: The event involved 25 citizens, including 2 participants from the city of Kretinga, Lithuania, 2 participants from the city of Elbeuf, France, 2 participants from the city of Granada, Spain, 1 participant from the city of Tirana, Albania, 1 participant from the city of Liverpool, UK, 2 participants from the city of Remscheid, Germany, 2 participants from the city of Athens, Greece and 13 participants from the city of Padua, Italy

Location / Dates: The event took place in Padua, Italy, from 18/10/2017 to 20/10/2017

Short description: The aim of the event was to establish the project's pilot group in charge of project's coordination and management, both technical and administrative, sharing a partnership agreement prepared by the Applicant. Each partner introduced national situation about citizenship rights for "2nd generations" and youth participation in last European Parliament election and general engagement towards EU issues.

Partners elaborated main criteria to establish youngsters group/delegation, mixed by cultural, social, linguistic background and gender balanced, and main points to be tackled by the participatory action research that delegation has to elaborate, as well as the timetable of the activities and the dissemination plan.

Event 2

Participation: The event involved 212 citizens, including 6 participants from the city of Padua, Italy, 6 participants from the city of Kretinga, Lithuania, 10 participants from the city of Elbeuf, France, 165 participants from the city of Granada, Spain, 4 participant from the city of Tirana, Albania, 7 participant from the city of Liverpool, UK, 8 participants from the city of Athens, Greece and 6 participants from the city of Bucharest, Romania

Location / Dates: The event took place in Granada, Spain, from 17/12/2016 to 18/12/2016

Short description: The meeting was organized by the University of Granada where youth delegations and young locals from partner country met in order to discuss the results of the action researches. Germany could not attend the meeting, due to organizational difficulties of partner organization, and youngsters that were supposed to participate from Germany have been replaced by local youngsters involved by Granada University, in order to ensure the planned number of participants and foster more involvement at local level.

The meeting started by the introduction of each organization and the presentation of the national action researches on democratic and civic participation of youngsters by each Youth delegation. This was a starting point to share the main common features and issues emerged at EU level, focusing on common anti-EU topics and positive milestones, opportunities and achievements of the Union that youngsters perceive as strengths for the future of Europe. During the meeting, participants were involved in several discussions and debates on knowledge of the European institutions, political and civic participation of youngsters in Europe, citizenship rights and access to citizenship for 2nd generation immigrants. The discussions led to a proposal made by each group on the future of Europe, improving EU knowledge and active participation of European youth, access to citizenship rights. Proposals were shared between all groups.

The last activity was the simulation of EU political elections: groups were considered as "parties" that chose a representative and defined an election programme, that was presented to the audience. After that, each participant voted for the best programme and 2 representatives of the winning party were elected.

Also we have the chance to experience animation and non-formal learning activities, together with social activities (dinner, tapas, visit to the Alhambra..) which helped youngsters to build a stronger relation with their peers, confirming that non formal moments and activities are extremely relevant to this aim.

Event 3

Participation: The event involved 169 citizens, including 8 participants from the city of Padua, Italy, 5 participants from the city of Kretinga, Lithuania, 9 participants from the city of Elbeuf, France, 9 participants from the city of Granada, Spain, 115 participants from the city of Tirana, Albania, 6 participants from the city of Liverpool, UK, 10 participants from the city of Athens, Greece, 3 participants from the city of Remscheid, Germany and 9 participants from the city of Bucharest, Romania

Location / Dates: The event took place in Tirana, Albania, from 22/05/2016 to 24/05/2016

Short description: The aim of the event was The meeting were organized by the University "Marin Barleti" main topics addressed were Euroscepticism and the future of the European Union. The guests speakers were some ambassadors and some international, and national, organizations representatives. After each meeting there was a discussion between participants.

Welcome speech has been done by the Rector of Marin Barleti University of Tirana: Dr. Marenglen Spiro. Dr. Dorian Jano and Marcello Cavalcaselle (Italian embassy in Tirana representative) were the guests speakers of Monday, 23 May. After them there was a discussion about immigrants and refugees crisis, with Edlira Baka (UNHCR representative in Albania), Silvia Josepfina Martin Cortés (Spanish ambassador in Tirana), and Dewi van de Weerd (Netherlands ambassador in Tirana and representative of EU Council presidency).

Following meetings were about solidarity in Europe. The guest speaker was the deputy Minister of Foreign Affairs of Albania; she spoke about Euroscepticism and its impact on the candidate countries of the Western Balkans. On Tuesday, 24 May meetings started with Klodiana Beshku's speech (Professor of Political Science at the University of Tirana) about youth education. Meeting continued with the presentation of Lucia Cucciarelli (Italian embassy in Tirana representative) The meeting were organized by the University "Marin Barleti" main topics addressed were Euroscepticism and the future of the European Union. The guests speakers were some ambassadors and some international, and national, organizations representatives. After each meeting there was a discussion between participants.

As last activity, youth delegations of the countries attending the project, showed their presentation on the research carried out locally on the theme of Euro-skepticism in their countries: most of the participants prepared and showed interviews with local youngsters and political representatives on the main project issues, analyzing euro-skeptical opinions emerged, also showing relevant data on euro-skepticism in their respective countries. Each presentation ended up in animated and interesting debates between participants who had the chance to express their opinions on the themes addressed during the meeting.ive) about youth twinning programs between Italian and Albanian youngsters, with particular focus on education.

Event 4

Participation: The event involved 131 citizens, including 3 participants from the city of Padua, Italy, 2 participants from the city of Kretinga, Lithuania, 3 participants from the city of Elbeuf, France, 2 participants from the city of Granada, Spain, 3 participants from the city of Tirana, Albania, 4 participants from the city of Liverpool, UK, 4 participants from the city of Athens, Greece and 110 participants from the city of Bucharest, Romania

Location / Dates: The event took place in Bucharest, Romania, from 15/10/2016 to 16/10/2016

Short description: The meeting was held at Scoala Spectrum where we started with ice-breaking activities and we were introduced to the theatre group of the high-school from Alexandria, who performed for us a theatre piece on immigration in Europe. After the exhibition we had the chance to ask to the students some clarifications regarding their performance, and to discuss about it, especially on the perception of immigration by Romanian people.

Later we started working on the image theatre. Participants were divided in groups and were asked to create 3 pictures on 3 topics: Euroscepticism, Brexit and immigration, to be performed in the city centre later that night

during a flash-mob.

In the afternoon we experimented the mono-multi island game, a non-formal activity based on the experimentation of cultural conflicts. After the activity we discussed on the issues emerged during the game and we had the chance to reflect and discuss about different cultures perceptions and on the importance of intercultural dialogue.

After that we moved to the city centre where we did a flash-mob performing the image theatre in Piata Universitei, where we met the EVS volunteers. The whole performance was filmed by ACTOR's staff who edited the video later that night.

On Sunday the 18th we experimented some drawings and graphic exercises, aimed at reflecting on our cultural identities. After that the English group showed us the interviews s they made to European Citizens living in the EU after Brexit, reflecting on their perceptions and their future. It was a very interesting moment, the English participants were at our disposal answering questions and facilitating the debate.

After lunch we built together a viral Online Campaign with the Flash mob movie edited by ACTOR's staff. First we had a short introduction on what "viral" means and we saw some good examples of viral campaigns and videos. After that we uploaded the flash mob video on the New European Citizens Facebook page and shared it with our personal FB pages with the hashtag #NEC2016.

Finally we did the evaluation of the training course.

Event 5

Participation: The event involved 225 citizens, including 7 participants from the city of Padua, Italy, 8 participants from the city of Kretinga, Lithuania, 7 participants from the city of Elbeuf, France, 15 participants from the city of Granada, Spain, 14 participant from the city of Tirana, Albania, 7 participant from the city of Liverpool, UK, 158 participants from the city of Athens, Greece and 8 participants from the city of Bucharest, Romania

Location / Dates: The event took place in Athens, Greece, from 17/12/2016 to 18/12/2016

Short description: On the 16-18 December 2016 the fourth and last international meeting was held in Tirana, Albania.

The aim of the meeting was to define the final youngsters Manifesto composition, after presenting the main points emerged at national level.

The first day the meeting started with the presentation of the research on refugees and asylum seekers in the respective countries by each national group. We went through data and policies adopted by each country in order to face the growing number of arrivals. Unfortunately we didn't have enough time for a proper discussion on the topic.

After the lunch break we went through the presentation by each group of the main points for the Manifesto emerged at national level: as they were quite similar we gathered together all the common points.

On Sunday the 18th of December the morning started by further discussion on the main points emerged: each group was assigned one point and stimulated to think about more specific and practical ideas to be included in the Manifesto.

After lunch all delegations presented the group and their organisations and everyone was given the participation certificate.