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

The project «**From I'Mmigration to INtegration**», Strand 2 – Measure 2.2 "Networks of Towns", has carried out 5 events as follows:

### ***Venues of the activities:***

**Event 1.-** Venue of Activities: Gondomar/Porto (Portugal) from 17<sup>th</sup> to 20<sup>th</sup> June 2019

**Event 2.-** Venue of Activities: Tar/Budapest (Hungary) from 16<sup>th</sup> to 19<sup>th</sup> September 2019

**Event 3.-** Venue of Activities: Safi/Valletta (Malta) from 2<sup>nd</sup> to 5<sup>th</sup> December 2019

**Event 4.-** Venue of Activities: Moletai/Vilna (Lithuania) from 2<sup>nd</sup> to 5<sup>th</sup> February 2020

**Event 5.-** Venue of Activities: Curtis/Santiago de Compostela (Spain) from 22<sup>nd</sup> to 25<sup>th</sup> August 2021

### **EVENT 1**

**Participation:** The event involved 145 citizens, including 115 local Portuguese participants from the Municipality of Gondomar (Portugal) and 30 International participants as following:

2 participants from the Municipality of Safi (Malta)

2 participants from the Municipality Batka (Slovakia)

2 participants from the Municipality of Tar (Hungary)

2 participants from the city of Albesii de Arges Sud Muntenia (Romania)

2 participants from the Social Welfare Centre of Central Macedonia / Thessaloniki (Greece)

2 participants from the Municipality of Moletu Rajono Savivaldybes Administracija (Lithuania)

2 participants from the city of Association One Terrene International/ Nicosia (Cyprus)

2 participants from the Municipality of Raunas Novada Dome (Latvia)

2 participants from the city of Association SocioCultural Luenda /Santiago de Compostela (Spain)

2 participants from the city of Haus der Jugend-Fuchsbau/ Berlin (Germany)

2 participants from the city of Association Amitiés Crillonaises (France)

3 participants from the Municipality of Curtis (Spain)

5 participants from the Municipality of Valdina (Italy)

**Location / Dates:** The event took place in Gondomar/Porto (Portugal) from 17<sup>th</sup> to 20<sup>th</sup> June 2019.

**Short description:** The first event, held in the Municipality of Gondomar (Portugal), was the Official Opening of the Project and had the aim of creating interest around the initiative through advertising amplified by the presence of local and regional media. The main thematic of this event was to raise awareness about actual matters and create discussions and debates, specifically around the topics: "Migration from a political perspective", "Migrations and women" and "Migrants rights in the European Union".

One of the objectives, in line with the priorities of Europe for Citizens program, was also to create a strong and long-term transnational network open to the values of friendship, solidarity, intercultural dialogue and interaction between citizens with a bottom-up approach to the European Agenda.

Activities, using ICT tools, were scheduled, such as conferences, roundtables, case studies, question time, interactive workshop, project work and cultural visits, requiring the active participation of citizens with attention to migrants, associations, NGO's, politicians, experts, public administrations, cultural, social, and economic actors, and citizens never involved in this kind of projects. In addition, a working group was created to create new ideas for European projects, as well as other actions of the program for the integration of immigrants and the management of the migratory flow. The program was an opportunity for a greater exchange of methodologies, interaction between representatives and citizens, to have cooperation in sustainable perspective. The project encouraged citizens to reflect what type of society they want, while they strengthened their sense of belonging to the EU.

To ensure the widest possible public impact it was organized several events of dissemination and visibility of the project and the program "Europe for Citizens", as information material was provided with the logos of the program, EACEA and the European Union, such as information brochures, posters, banners...

Finally, at the end of the event, an evaluation questionnaire was carried out, especially to analyse the level of interest, participation, commitment, and impact among the participants, where new ideas and suggestions for future projects were also collected.

### **Monday, 17<sup>th</sup> June 2019**

Arrival of foreign Participants in Gondomar (Portugal).

Welcome of foreign delegations in presence of the civil and political society and media.

Accommodation in Hotel Douro and Hotel Vicerei.

Welcome dinner.

### **Tuesday, 18<sup>th</sup> June 2019**

10.00-13:00: Presentation of the project, topics and events to be held. Presentation of the Europe for Citizens Program.

Round table: "Migrations from the political perspective" in the City Hall.

Official reception by **Marco Martins**, Mayor of Gondomar (Portugal).

### **Opening of the Network of Towns**

**This first session was dedicated to present the project, its topics, activities, objectives of the Network of Towns. Knowledge of the territory of Gondomar and all partners entities.**

**Intervention of politicians, civil society, local associations, and NGOs.**

Moderator: **Fernando Rodríguez**, European Project Manager (Spain)

Speakers:

- **Aurora Vieira**, Councilwoman of the Municipality of Gondomar (Portugal)
- **Zsolt Turopoli**, Mayor of Municipality of Tar (Hungary)
- **Javier Caínzos**, Mayor of Municipality of Curtis (Spain)
- **Isolde Scheffel**, Social Worker at the Berlin District in Haus der Jugend-Fuchsbau (Germany)
- **Adao Moreira**, Psychologist and focal point for the refugee's reception in Portuguese Red Cross
- **Nataliya Kemil**, Head of Amizade-Associação de Imigrantes de Portugal (Friendship Association of Inmigrants in Portugal)

Conclusion of the daily Session by **Mario Tavares**, *Councillor on the Municipality of Gondomar (Portugal)*

Question time/public Debate, questions about the issues under discussion with local associations, NGOs, and civil society of Gondomar.

16:00-20:00: *Tender Point: "Migrations and women"*. Documentary projection about migrant women and the impact on the society in which they are integrated. Intervention of local authorities, academics, and ordinary citizens.

*Discovering the history and culture of Gondomar*: Museum Casa Branca, "Filigrana" Traditional Jewelry Art Craft-Office and Exposition.

### **Wednesday, 19<sup>th</sup> June 2019**

10.00 to 13.00: Opening of the European Conference.

Masterclass: "Migrants rights in the European Union", lecture by Elisabete Pinto da Costa, Prorektor of Lusófona University and teacher of European Studies.

Direct testimonies from Portuguese migrants.

Institutional Greetings by **Marco Martins**, Mayor of Gondomar (Portugal) and **Javier Caínzos**, Mayor of Municipality of Curtis (Spain)

#### ***European Conference*** ***"Migrants Rights in the EU"***

Session dedicated to the participation and rights of migrants within the European Union. Right to represent immigrants in institutions and politics. Evolution of the local community in migratory aspects.

Moderator: **Fernando Rodríguez**, European Project Manager (Spain)

- **Adelaide Silva**, Social Worker in Portuguese Red Cross, of Gondomar (Portugal)
- **Natalia Vázquez Pita**, Director of the Women Information Centre in Curtis (Spain)

Question time / public debate, questions about the issues under discussion.

Conclusion of the daily Session by **Mario Tavares**, *Councillor on Social rights* of Municipality of Gondomar (Portugal)

#### Afternoon:

*Sicilian Study Case by Beatrice Briguglio, expert in youth policies and Italian migration, from Italy. First Event monitoring and evaluation activities, to receive feedback from the participants on the implemented activities.*

*Planning of the 2nd Meeting in Tar, Hungary, and Farewell greetings.*

### **Thursday, 20<sup>th</sup> June 2019**

Departures of International Participants

## EVENT 2

**Participation:** The event involved 87 citizens, including 55 local Hungarian participants from the Municipality of Tar (Hungary) and 32 International participants as following:

- 2 participants from the Municipality of Safi (Malta)
- 2 participants from the Municipality Batka (Slovakia)
- 4 participants from the Municipality of Curtis (Spain)
- 2 participants from the city of Albesii de Arges Sud Muntenia (Romania)
- 2 participants from the Social Welfare Centre of Central Macedonia / Thessaloniki (Greece)
- 2 participants from the Municipality of Moletu Rajono Savivaldybes Administracija (Lithuania)
- 2 participants from the city of Association One Terrene International/ Nicosia (Cyprus)
- 2 participants from the Municipality of Raunas Novada Dome (Latvia)

2 participants from the city of Association Socio Cultural Luenda /Santiago de Compostela (Spain)  
2 participants from the city of Haus der Jugend-Fuchsbau/ Berlin (Germany)  
2 participants from the city of Association Amitiés Crillonnaises (France)  
2 participants from the Municipality of Gondomar (Portugal)  
4 participants from the Municipality of Valdina (Italy)

**Location / Dates:** The event took place in Tar/Budapest (Hungary) from 16<sup>th</sup> to 19<sup>th</sup> September 2019.

**Short description:** The second event, held in the Municipality of Tar (Hungary), had the aim of give importance to new media and useful tools for the reaction of a truly intercultural society and identify and trace the lines of intervention of a Europe attentive to the needs of the future, as well as having the objective of increasing public awareness about the value of multiculturalism and active citizenship. The main thematic of this event was to raise awareness about actual matters and create discussions and debates, specifically around the topics: “Immigration and inclusivity”, “Euroscepticism and racism” and “Laboral Market for immigrants”.

One of the objectives, in line with the priorities of Europe for Citizens program, was also to create a strong and long-term transnational network open to the values of friendship, solidarity, intercultural dialogue and interaction between citizens with a bottom-up approach to the European Agenda.

Activities, using ICT tools, were scheduled, such as conferences, roundtables, case studies, question time, interactive workshop, project work and cultural visits, requiring the active participation of citizens with attention to migrants, associations, NGO's, politicians, experts, public administrations, cultural, social, and economic actors, and citizens never involved in this kind of projects. In addition, a working group was created to create new ideas for European projects, as well as other actions of the program for the integration of immigrants and the management of the migratory flow. The program was an opportunity for a greater exchange of methodologies, interaction between representatives and citizens, to have cooperation in sustainable perspective. The project encouraged citizens to reflect what type of society they want, while they strengthened their sense of belonging to the EU.

To ensure the widest possible public impact it was organized several events of dissemination and visibility of the project and the program "Europe for Citizens", as information material was provided with the logos of the program, EACEA and the European Union, such as information brochures, posters, banners...

Finally, at the end of the event, an evaluation questionnaire was carried out, especially to analyze the level of interest, participation, commitment, and impact among the participants, where new ideas and suggestions for future projects were also collected.

### **Monday, 16<sup>th</sup> September 2019**

Arrival of foreign Participants in Tar (Hungary).

Welcome of foreign delegations in presence of the civil and political society and media.

Accommodation in Hotel.

Welcome dinner.

### **Tuesday, 17<sup>th</sup> September 2019**

10.00 to 13.00: Official reception and institutional greetings by **Zsolt Tupoli**, Mayor of Tar (Hungary) and **Javier Caínzos**, Mayor of Curtis (Spain).

Opening of the Conference and second Event by the political representatives:

#### **Conference**

***“+Diversity +Integration= European Commitment”***

Moderator: **Fernando Rodríguez**, European Project Manager (Spain)

Speakers:

- **Marco Martins**, Mayor of the Municipality of Gondomar (Portugal)
- **Zsolt Turopoli**, Mayor of Municipality of Tar (Hungary)
- **Javier Caínzos**, Mayor of Municipality of Curtis (Spain)
- **Gabriel Popa**, Mayor of Albestii (Romania)

Question time / public Debate, questions about the issues under discussion

#### **Round table**

#### **“Laboral Market for immigrants, is it open?”**

Moderator: **Fernando Rodríguez**, European Project Manager (Spain)

Speakers:

- **Khaled Bakar**, Testimony of a story of migration, football as a power inclusion tool
- **Johan Mula**, Mayor of Safi –Detention centre for migrants in Malta

Question time / public Debate, questions about the issues under discussion

#### Afternoon:

*Euroscepticism and racism study cases:* Aimed at activating the discussion on modern multicultural societies and the sense of brotherhood between European peoples and the integration policies adopted. **The border Slovak and Hungarian, by Anna Bobaly**

*Visit to Höllöko, World Heritage by UNESCO:* Moment of Coexistence and meeting with the local Hungarian community, immigrants, and participants, to get to know the territory, culture, and common values.

#### **Wednesday, 18<sup>th</sup> September 2019**

10.00 to 13.00: Transfer to Kobányai László Gimnázium. Welcome by the Head of the Center.

Visit the facilities and classrooms of the school building.

Conference starting with institutional Greetings by **Zsolt Tupoli**, Mayor of Tar (Hungary) and **Javier Caínzos**, Mayor of Curtis (Spain).

#### **Conference**

#### **“From I’Mmigration to Inclusivity”**

Opening of the Conference.

Moderator: **Beatrice Briguglio**, European Project Manager (Italy)

Speakers:

- Marios Efthymiou, Expert on mobility programs for inclusivity (Cyprus).
- Chantal Frament, Study Case of a Spanish Family migrating to France in the 40’s.
- Veronica Nagy, teacher at the lyceum, integrating through education

Conclusion of the daily Session by the School Director of the *Kobányai László Gimnázium*.

Question time / public Debate, questions about the issues under discussion.

#### Afternoon:

*Visit the Parliament of Hungary* Direct participation of the most relevant stakeholders around the Project initiative in the Hungarian Parliament, an institutional symbol of political participation and democracy.

Second Event monitoring and evaluation activities, to receive feedback from the participants on the implemented activities.

Planning of the 3<sup>rd</sup> Meeting in Malta and Farewell greetings.

#### **Thursday, 19<sup>th</sup> September 2019**

Departures of International Participants

### EVENT 3

**Participation:** The event involved 84 citizens, including 55 local Maltese participants from the Municipality of Safi (Malta) and 29 International participants as following:

- 3 participants from the Municipality of Curtis (Spain)
- 2 participants from the Municipality of Batka (Slovakia)
- 2 participants from the Municipality of Tar (Hungary)
- 2 participants from the city of Albesii de Arges Sud Muntenia (Romania)
- 2 participants from the Social Welfare Centre of Central Macedonia / Thessaloniki (Greece)
- 2 participants from the Municipality of Moletu Rajono Savivaldybes Administracija (Lithuania)
- 2 participants from the city of Association One Terrene International/ Nicosia (Cyprus)
- 2 participants from the Municipality of Raunas Novada Dome (Latvia)
- 3 participants from the city of Association Socio Cultural Luenda /Santiago de Compostela (Spain)
- 2 participants from the city of Haus der Jugend-Fuchsbau/ Berlin (Germany)
- 2 participants from the city of Association Amitiés Crillonnaises (France)
- 2 participants from the Municipality of Gondomar (Portugal)
- 3 participants from the Municipality of Valdina (Italy)

**Location / Dates:** The event took place in Safi/Valletta (Malta) from 2<sup>nd</sup> to 5<sup>th</sup> December 2019.

**Short description:** The third event, held in the Municipality of Safi (Malta), had the aim of interact and deepen the issues related to migratory flows and the economy in Europe, the diversity that it entails and the commitment that is needed, and particularly on the illegal phenomenon that is affecting the islands, policies, and social solidarity in the Mediterranean urgently. The main thematic of this event was to raise awareness about actual matters and create discussions and debates, specifically around the topics: “Migration y Human Rights in the European borders”, “Smuggling of immigrants and Trafficking in human beings” and “Right of Asylum, Schengen and Free Movement”.

One of the objectives, in line with the priorities of Europe for Citizens program, was also to create a strong and long-term transnational network open to the values of friendship, solidarity, intercultural dialogue and interaction between citizens with a bottom-up approach to the European Agenda.

Activities, using ICT tools, were scheduled, such as conferences, roundtables, case studies, question time, interactive workshop, project work and cultural visits, requiring the active participation of citizens with attention to migrants, associations, NGO's, politicians, experts, public administrations, cultural, social, and economic actors, and citizens never involved in this kind of projects. In addition, a working group was created to create new ideas for European projects, as well as other actions of the program for the integration of immigrants and the management of the migratory flow. The program was an opportunity for a greater exchange of methodologies, interaction between representatives and citizens, to have cooperation in sustainable perspective. The project encouraged citizens to reflect what type of society they want, while they strengthened their sense of belonging to the EU.

To ensure the widest possible public impact it was organized several events of dissemination and visibility of the project and the program "Europe for Citizens", as information material was provided with the logos of the program, EACEA and the European Union, such as information brochures, posters, banners...

Finally, at the end of the event, an evaluation questionnaire was carried out, especially to analyze the level of interest, participation, commitment, and impact among the participants, where new ideas and suggestions for future projects were also collected.



### **Monday, 2<sup>nd</sup> December 2019**

Arrival of foreign Participants in Safi (Malta).

Welcome of foreign delegations in presence of the civil and political society and media.

Accommodation in Hotel Azur ST.

Welcome dinner at Risto Café.

### **Thursday, 3<sup>rd</sup> July 2019**

10.00 to 13.00 at the City Council of Safi: Opening of the Conference

Institutional Greetings by:

- **Mr. Johan Mula**, Mayor of Safi (Malta)
- **Mr. Antonio Fraga**, Vice Mayor of Curtis (Spain)
- **Mr. David Schembri**, Vice-President of the Southern Region (Malta)

#### ***Workshop***

#### **“Migration y Human Rights in the European borders”**

Moderator: **Fernando Rodríguez**, European Project Manager (Spain)

*Speakers:*

- **Ms. Louise Vella**, Superintendent of Immigration Section - Police Department
- **Mr. Alexander Tortell**, Head of the Integration and Anti-Racism Unit
- **Mr. Alfred Curmi**, Municipality of Safi
- **Ms. Susana Nieto**, Head of the employment service in Curtis (Galicia – Spain)
- **Ms. Eve Frament**, Former migrant in Australia

Question time / public Debate, questions about the issues under discussion

Conclusion of the morning session

#### Afternoon:

*Dissertation:* on the FSE Citizenship Program for actions to promote the principle of non-discrimination - The Asylum and Migration Fund, which aims to address aspects of migration, including political asylum, the financing of third countries in regular stay in the EU and repatriation. Dedicated to the framework of EU funds on Immigration Policy.

Lecture conducted Alfred Curmi from Municipality of Safi

### **Wednesday, 4<sup>th</sup> December 2019**

10.00 to 13.00 at St. Benedicts College – Kirkop: Opening of the Round Table.

Panel of students both Maltese and non-Maltese about their experience and views about interculturalism.

Guest teachers of Erasmus Programme explaining their points of view and challenges they face regarding interculturalism and what strategies they adopt in their schools.

Intervention by Dr. Viviana Premazzi discussing the positive impact of interculturalism on society and how this could be used as an advantage for wellbeing of the community.

Institutional Greetings by:

- **Hon. Julia Farrugia Portelli**, Parliamentary Secretary for Citizenship, Reforms & Simplification.
- **Hon. Dr. Owen Bonnici**, Minister for Justice, Culture & Local Government.
- **Hon. Dr. Edward Zammit Lewis**, Minister for European Affairs and Equality
- **Mr. Johan Mula**, Mayor of Safi Municipality
- **Mr. Antonio Fraga**, Vice Mayor of Curtis

### **Round Table**

#### ***“A Community of Cultures: To protect and To Valorize the Heritage”***

Speakers:

- **Ms. Amanda Vella**, Communications Coordinator - Agency for the Welfare of Asylum Seekers

- **Ms. Maria Rocco**, Administrative Officer - Office of the Refugee Commissioner (Immigration in Malta - Procedures and Personal Experience)

- **Ms. Joyce Camilleri**, Teacher - St. Benedicts College

- **Mr. Andre Paul Huber**, Teacher - St. Benedicts College

- **Mr. Claudio Bezzina**, Teacher - St. Benedicts College

- **Ms. Deborah Muscat, Teache - St. Benedicts College**

- **Mr. Stefan Cassar, Teacher - St. Benedicts College**

- **Ms. Ruth Cauchi**, Teacher - St. Benedicts College

- **Dr. Viviana Premazzi**, Expert on migration and interculturalism

Question time / public Debate, questions about the issues under discussion

Conclusion of the daily Session

#### Afternoon:

*Visit to the National Parliament of Malta:* meeting with Julian Azzopardi

Direct participation of the most relevant stakeholders around the Project initiative in the Maltese Parliament, an institutional symbol of political participation and democracy.

Third Event monitoring and evaluation activities, to receive feedback from the participants on the implemented activities.

Planning of the 4<sup>th</sup> Meeting in Lithuania and Farewell greetings.

#### **Thursday, 5<sup>th</sup> December 2019**

Departures of International Participants

### **EVENT 4**

**Participation:** The event involved 96 citizens, including 58 local Lithuanian participants from the Municipality of Moletu Rajono Savivaldybes Administracija (Lithuania) and 28 International participants as following:

2 participants from the Municipality of Safi (Malta)

2 participants from the Municipality of Batka (Slovakia)

2 participants from the Municipality of Tar (Hungary)

2 participants from the city of Albesii de Arges Sud Muntenia (Romania)

2 participants from the Social Welfare Centre of Central Macedonia / Thessaloniki (Greece)

3 participants from the Municipality of Curtis (Spain)

2 participants from the city of Association One Terrene International/ Nicosia (Cyprus)

2 participants from the Municipality of Raunas Novada Dome (Latvia)

2 participants from the city of Association Socio Cultural Luenda /Santiago de Compostela (Spain)

2 participants from the city of Haus der Jugend-Fuchsbau/ Berlin (Germany)

2 participants from the city of Association Amitiés Crillonnaises (France)

2 participants from the Municipality of Gondomar (Portugal)

3 participants from the Municipality of Valdina (Italy)

**Location / Dates:** The event took place in Moletai/Vilna (Lithuania) from 2<sup>nd</sup> to 5<sup>th</sup> February 2020.



**Short description:** The fourth event, held in the Municipality of Moletai (Lithuania), had the aim of interact and deepen the issues related to migratory, its purpose was to share experiences of family homes and reception centres dedicated to exposed minors and to debate various experiences on the subject, interacting and deepening good practices adopted in this area and in the rest of Europe, as well as several successful cases. The main thematic of this event was to raise awareness about actual matters and create discussions and debates, specifically around the topics: “Migration Control. Situation at the Border”, “Unaccompanied foreign minors: A solution for families?” and “Immigration at the local and regional level”.

One of the objectives, in line with the priorities of Europe for Citizens program, was also to create a strong and long-term transnational network open to the values of friendship, solidarity, intercultural dialogue and interaction between citizens with a bottom-up approach to the European Agenda.

Activities, using ICT tools, were scheduled, such as conferences, roundtables, case studies, question time, interactive workshop, project work and cultural visits, requiring the active participation of citizens with attention to migrants, associations, NGO's, politicians, experts, public administrations, cultural, social, and economic actors, and citizens never involved in this kind of projects. In addition, a working group was created to create new ideas for European projects, as well as other actions of the program for the integration of immigrants and the management of the migratory flow. The program was an opportunity for a greater exchange of methodologies, interaction between representatives and citizens, to have cooperation in sustainable perspective. The project encouraged citizens to reflect what type of society they want, while they strengthened their sense of belonging to the EU.

To ensure the widest possible public impact it was organized several events of dissemination and visibility of the project and the program "Europe for Citizens", as information material was provided with the logos of the program, EACEA and the European Union, such as information brochures, posters, banners...

Finally, at the end of the event, an evaluation questionnaire was carried out, especially to analyse the level of interest, participation, commitment, and impact among the participants, where new ideas and suggestions for future projects were also collected.

### **Sunday, 2<sup>nd</sup> February 2020**

Arrival of foreign Participants in Moletai (Lithuania).

Welcome of foreign delegations in presence of the civil and political society and media.

Accommodation in Hotel Ibis.

Welcome dinner.

### **Monday, 3<sup>rd</sup> February 2020**

10.00 to 13.00: Opening of the Workshop.

Experiences of Lithuanian migration to Ireland and remigration to Lithuania. Situation of children that are left by migrant parents.

Greeting from the participating authorities.

#### **Workshop**

#### ***“Unaccompanied foreign minors: A solution for families?”***

Moderator: **Fernando Rodriguez**, European Project Manager (Spain)

Speakers:

- **Luisa Beatriz Maceiras**, intervention at local and rural levels.
- **Vakarís Atkočiūnas**, Migrants in Molėtai district municipality administration
- **Rasa Karūžaitė**, Situation of children left by parents who work abroad
- **Povilas Jankauskas**, Experience of immigration and reemigration

Question time / public Debate, questions about the issues under discussion

Conclusion of the daily Session

Afternoon:

*Workshop:* "Racism and xenophobia in the era of globalization". Intervention of experts and organizations that operate without interest with Red Cross – Vilnius district.

*Case studies:* Direct testimonies of immigrants who suffered racist and xenophobic violence. Examples of good practices and experiences.

*Situation of children left by parents who work abroad – Rasa Karūžaitė, Molėtai district municipality administration*

*Experience of immigration and reemigration – Povilas Jančiauskas*

**Thursday, 4<sup>th</sup> February 2020**

10.00 to 13.00: Opening of the Conference

Official reception at the Parliament of Lithuania. Institutional Greetings by:

- **Marta Belén Méndez Barreiro**, Vicemayor of Curtis (Spain)
- **Aurora Vieira**, Vicemayor of Gondomar (Portugal)
- **Nino di Stefano**, Mayor of Valdina (Italy)

***Round Table***

*“Immigration at the local and regional level”*

**Speakers:**

Migration control. Situation at the border - Julija Ziminska, State border guard service

Migration situation in Lithuania. Evelina Gudzinskaitė, Migration department

Migrant integration in Lithuania - Dr. Karolis Žibas, Institute of ethnic studies

Short discussion on migration - Audronis Ažubalis, member of the Lithuanian parliament

Question time / public Debate, questions about the issues under discussion

Conclusion of the daily Session

Afternoon:

*Workshop:* "Challenges of Europe for the future". Creation of debate and support for EU initiatives, participatory democracy, and gender equality. Publicize new methods of citizen participation. Reflection on European citizenship, EU democracy, EU Charter of Fundamental Rights.

4<sup>th</sup> Event monitoring and evaluation activities, to receive feedback from the participants on the implemented activities.

Planning of the 5<sup>th</sup> Meeting in Curtis (Spain) and Farewell greetings.

**Wednesday, 5<sup>th</sup> February 2020**

Departures of International Participants

**EVENT 5**

**Participation:** The event involved 91 citizens, including 60 local Spanish participants from the Municipality of Curtis (Spain) and 31 International participants as following:

2 participants from the Municipality of Safi (Malta)

2 participants from the Municipality Batka (Slovakia)

2 participants from the Municipality of Tar (Hungary)

2 participants from the city of Albesii de Arges Sud Muntenia (Romania)

2 participants from the Social Welfare Centre of Central Macedonia / Thessaloniki (Greece)

2 participants from the Municipality of Moletu Rajono Savivaldybes Administracija (Lithuania)

2 participants from the city of Association One Terrene International/ Nicosia (Cyprus)

2 participants from the Municipality of Raunas Novada Dome (Latvia)  
3 participants from the city of Association Socio Cultural Luenda /Santiago de Compostela (Spain)  
2 participants from the city of Haus der Jugend-Fuchsbau/ Berlin (Germany)  
2 participants from the city of Association Amitiés Crillonnaises (France)  
5 participants from the Municipality of Gondomar (Portugal)  
3 participants from the Municipality of Valdina (Italy)

**Location / Dates:** The last event took place in Curtis/Santiago de Compostela (Spain) from 22<sup>nd</sup> to 25<sup>th</sup> August 2021.

**Short description:** The aim of the last event aimed to receive feedback from the direct voice of citizens, gather moods and motivations, explore the terrain, and understand why citizens do not feel represented and see the EU so distant, in addition to exploring the issue of current racism in depth. One of the objectives, in line with the priorities of Europe for Citizens program, was also to create a strong and long-term transnational network open to the values of friendship, solidarity, intercultural dialogue and interaction between citizens with a bottom-up approach to the European Agenda.

Activities, using ICT tools, were scheduled, such as conferences, roundtables, case studies, question time, interactive workshop, project work and cultural visits, requiring the active participation of citizens with attention to migrants, associations, NGO's, politicians, experts, public administrations, cultural, social, and economic actors, and citizens never involved in this kind of projects. In addition, a working group was created to create new ideas for European projects, as well as other actions of the program for the integration of immigrants and the management of the migratory flow. The program was an opportunity for a greater exchange of methodologies, interaction between representatives and citizens, to have cooperation in sustainable perspective. The project encouraged citizens to reflect what type of society they want, while they strengthened their sense of belonging to the EU.

To ensure the widest possible public impact it was organized several events of dissemination and visibility of the project and the program "Europe for Citizens", as information material was provided with the logos of the program, EACEA and the European Union, such as information brochures, posters, banners...

Finally, at the end of the event, an evaluation questionnaire was carried out, especially to analyse the level of interest, participation, commitment, and impact among the participants, where new ideas and suggestions for future projects were also collected.

### **Sunday, 22<sup>nd</sup> August 2021**

Arrival of foreign Participants in Curtis (Spain).

Welcome of foreign delegations in presence of the civil and political society and media.

Accommodation in Hotel Xelmírez.

Welcome dinner.

### **Monday, 23<sup>rd</sup> August 2021**

10:00-13:00: Opening of the Town Twinning Ceremony: Signature of the Brotherhood Agreement- Execution of National and European Anthems, in presence of the civil society and media.

#### **Town Twinning Oath signing Ceremony**

Institutional Speeches of the Mayors of the Municipalities involved, at the presence of several Mayors of the Galician Region, Civil and Military Authorities:

- **Johan Mula**, Mayor of Municipality of Safi (Malta)
- **Stefan Pónya**, Municipality Batka (Slovakia)
- **Zsolt Turopoli**, Mayor of Municipality of Tar (Hungary)

- **Gabriel Popa**, from Albesii de Arges Sud Muntenia (Romania)
- **Ifigeneia Tsira**, Social Worker from Social Welfare Centre of Central Macedonia / Thessaloniki (Greece)
- **Vaida Sauguniene**, from Municipality of Moletu Rajono Savivaldybes Administracija (Lithuania)
- **Marios Efthymiou**, from Association One Terrene International/ Nicosia (Cyprus)
- **Linda Zudina**, from Municipality of Raunas Novada Dome (Latvia)
- **Andrea Neira Ferreira**, from Association Socio Cultural Luenda (Spain)
- **Bakar Khaled**, from Haus der Jugend-Fuchsbau/ Berlin (Germany)
- **Joelle Perault**, from Association Amitiés Crillonaises (France)
- **Mario Tavares**, Municipality of Gondomar (Portugal)
- **Angelo Pirri**, Vice president of Municipality of Valdina (Italy)

***“Interculturality and multiculturalism in times of Euroscepticism”***

Speakers:

- **Diego Tavares**, Municipality of Gondomar (Portugal)
- **Charles Decorzent**, from Association Amitiés Crillonaises (France)
- **Mitchell Colin-Seán**, from Haus der Jugend-Fuchsbau/ Berlin (Germany)
- **Theo Mavrosavvra**, from Association One Terrene International/ Nicosia (Cyprus)
- **Doris Baldacchino**, Secretary of Municipality of Safi (Malta)

Question time / public Debate, questions about the issues under discussion

Conclusion of the daily Session

Afternoon:

*Testimonies of women migrant in Curtis: Cases from Colombian, Portuguese and Swedish women who had migrated to Curtis (Spain).*

*Visit to the city of Santiago de Compostela: This visit has favoured the knowledge of the cultural and social heritage and the territory of Santiago de Compostela, where its historical and architectural part is a UNESCO World Heritage.*

**Tuesday, 24<sup>th</sup> August 2021**

10,00 to 13,00: Opening of the Conference

Institutional Greetings in the Parliament of Galicia by:

- Diego Calvo Pouso, Vice-president of Galician Parliament (Spain)
- Javier Caínzos Vázquez, Mayor of Curtis (Spain)
- Rubén Lorenzo Gómez, Diputy Galician Parliament (Spain)

***Workshop***

***“Combating prejudices and stereotypes towards migrants”***

Moderator: **Fernando Rodríguez**, European Project Manager (Spain)

Speakers:

- **Meropi Chatziioannou**, Social Worker from Social Welfare Centre of Central Macedonia / Thessaloniki (Greece)
- **Veronika Rita Valastyanne Nagy**, Municipality of Tar (Hungary)
- **Nicolae Dragos Boncea**, from Albesii de Arges Sud Muntenia (Romania)
- **Beatrice Briguglio**, Municipality of Valdina (Italy)
- **Andrea Papp**, from Municipality Batka (Slovakia)

Question time / public Debate, questions about the issues under discussion

Conclusion of the daily Session

***Conclusion of the Project***

**Diego Calvo Pouso**, Vice-president of Galician Parliament (Spain)

**Javier Caínzos Vázquez, Mayor of Curtis (Spain)**  
**Natalia Vázquez Pita, Director of CIM Curtis (Spain)**

Afternoon: Final Event monitoring and evaluation activities, to receive feedback from the participants on the implemented activities. Questionnaire of Final Evaluation. Presentation of Joint Projects for the Future- Discussion in Plenary and Approval of the Network's guidelines. New Ideas Proposal, a space dedicated to the development of new ideas, to develop new proposals for the future and strengthen the European cooperation network. Future of the Networks. Dissemination and visibility plan to develop a wide, realistic, and planned action of Communication, Valorization of results in the respective areas of competence, to reach the widest possible audience. Farewell greetings.

**Wednesday, 25<sup>th</sup> August 2021**

Departures of International Participants