



EDS – Event Description Sheet

28-29 September 2022, Poland, Elblag

1. Participating countries

Please clearly state: i) participating countries, ii) name of each partner, iii) number of participants from each country

Information about the project and project action:

Project name: Active EU citizens: Think Global, Act Local

Project acronym: Active EU citizens

Call: CERV-2021-CITIZENS-TOWN

Date of the CERV Programme Event: Workshop in Elblag 28-29.09.2022

Predicted result of the event: The meeting is directly linked with the project objective O1. The purpose is to create a survey for local citizens from the partner's community, which will show their accessibility to get involved in the local community.

Description: The event in Poland (WP2) will be attended by a total number of 25 direct participants from 5 countries.

Effect: Initial proposal concerning the creation of questions for the CERV project TGAL questionnaire

Venue: Poland - Polish Partner Hedquter (Association of Polish Communes Euroregion Baltic) - Old Town City Hall, 82-300 Elblag

Form of The Event: Interactive Presentations & Workshops combined with study visits, two-day event

All representatives of the ActivEuCitizens: Think Global, Act Local project took part in the first project event, which was also an event to initiate partnerships and joint work.

The event took place in Poland at the premises of the Polish partner from APC ERB (28-29.09.2022):

- Participating countries: Poland, Italy, Romania, Greece, Spain
- Members of project consortia who took part in the event: Association of Polish Communes Euroregion Baltic, Comune di Gambassi Terme, Municipality of AAK, Mislata Municipality, National Association of Spa and Balneoclimatic Resorts in Romania
- Representatives from different sectors: politicians, local government, residents and experts and specialists
- Total number of participants: 30 representatives from 5 EU countries took part (Poland – 11; Italy – 5; Romania – 5; Greece – 5; Spain – 4)

2. Description of the event

Please describe: the event dates, location, number of participants, description of the event, summary of the agenda, main topic(s) discussed and conclusions, main results obtained from the event

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The event took place at 28-29.09.2022 in Poland (Elblag)
During whole event took part 30 participants.

Description: The event in Poland (WP2) will be attended by a total number of 25 direct participants from 5 countries. The aim of the September workshop in Poland - Elblag 28-29.09.2022 (and the following November workshop in Greece) was to prepare questions for a project Think Global, Act Local survey questionnaire, which we will use to collect opinions, identify areas not yet explored, analyze existing solutions and functioning proposals, and diagnose the needs of our residents formulated in relation to promotion, the image of the municipality and the creation of stronger relations and cooperation between the municipality and the citizen.

The intention of the activity is to strengthen the participatory model of municipal management. The common goal of participants was to improve the quality of public services, make municipal events more attractive and make our municipalities more welcoming to residents and visitors from home and abroad exploring this state through dedicated questions created.

The initial proposal of survey content was planned and prepared by a team of people (5 countries representatives) involved in the municipality's activities and the results will be used not only by the municipality, but also by the municipal units.

Entire survey is treated as a social research is becoming an indispensable part of joint development and constitutes a first step and a basis for the preparation of the future strategy of Promotion (is understood as building and strengthening social relations in the municipality, identification with the place of birth, place of residence etc. It is also the place of an attractive offer of cultural and entertainment events, which should aim to improve the quality of life in the municipality)

Summary of the activity:

During a two-day event in Poland (hosted by APC ERB) the group work of 30 participants from 5 countries has initiated and conducted preparations for the creation of survey questions dedicated to local citizens of the 5 partners which was aimed at:

- showing their accessibility to get involved in actions in the local community,
- the degree of interest in promoting the local community,
- the degree of interest in their desire to visit other countries for relaxation and treatment, etc.,

The group consisted not only of local politicians and selected representatives but also of local government employees, representatives of NGOs and other organisations and residents of the region.

The purpose of joint action (dedicated to preparations of these questions) was to provide relevant data and material which will be collected and analyzed after completing these questionnaires can lead to the idea of a long-term strategy for cooperation between municipalities and citizen involvement.

It was an activity that was intended to initiate, through the inspiration of local stakeholders representing both local authorities and citizens, a deeper reflection on the themes of the:

- The state of citizen knowledge and involvement,
- The state of information and cooperation with the authorities,
- The knowledge of promotional campaign of the Municipality and the level of knowledge of residents about it,
- Sense of identity with local government - State of social marketing.

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During the workshop participants discussed and decided on the structure of the questionnaire to be sent out.

Structure and form of the questionnaire

- Form: mixed version combining electronic and paper approach
- Structure: mixed structure of semi-open questions - will include both closed and open questions. Additionally, some of the questions will include an "other" answer, which would give the possibility to speak freely if a given option is not included in the proposed answer cafeteria)

In addition, it has been agreed that the questionnaire will be anonymous, but the provisions of the GDPR will nevertheless be respected.

3. Statistics on the participation

Please present:

- *total number of participants from total number of countries of residence of the participants;*
- *the sex disaggregated data on the participation i.e. total number of women, men and non-binary people*
- *number of participants per number of country of residence of the participants*

Total number of participants: 30 persons involved

Number of women 16, number of men 14, non-binary people

Poland – 11 participants representing invited guests, speakers and local specialists as well as members of the APC ERB team)

Italy – 5

Romania – 5

Greece – 5

Spain – 4

The increased number of participants (from the planned 25) was due to the need for technical support and a better understanding of the local context of the work in the field of strengthening public consultations with citizens.

4. Visibility of the project/programme and website

- *Please describe the visibility actions carried out for the event, provide links and screenshots*
- *Please provide the link for the website of the event (when available)*

Promotion of the project at Association of Polish Communes Euroregion Baltic website

General information about the project in PL: <https://eurobalt.org.pl/projekty-realizowane-w-euroregionie-baltyk/think-global-act-local/>

General information about the project in ENG:

<https://eurobalt.org.pl/en/euroregion-baltic-ongoing-projects/think-global-act-local/>

Promotion on the project official website: <https://activeecitizens.eu/activities/activity-1-in-poland/>

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Information prepared in two languages - the language of the project (English) and the national language of the organiser of the first project event (Polish):

English version

-information before the event - invitation

<https://eurobalt.org.pl/en/invitation-to-the-think-global-act-local-project-workshop-elblag-28-29-09-2022/>

- information after the event and summary of two days meeting

<https://eurobalt.org.pl/en/think-global-act-local-project-first-live-partnership-meeting-in-elblag-28-29-09-2022/>

Polish version of both information:

<https://eurobalt.org.pl/zaproszenie-na-warsztat-projektu-think-global-act-local-elblag-28-29-09-2022/>

<https://eurobalt.org.pl/projekt-think-global-act-local-pierwsze-partnerskie-spotkanie-na-zywo-w-elblagu-28-29-09-2022/>

Promotion at social media: APC ERB facebook

<https://www.facebook.com/445283945582074/posts/pfbid02jhNbzGuJXC13w3QEMQFFo6cT2AZ4TSc73k5UdaLBW5bSDrjzR8747AnywT3RWuKCl/?d=n>

https://m.facebook.com/story.php?story_fbid=pfbid02G9xThrPqFzqDTGmLpqNWqkji9cfKtBx6xvHZc5e2YdDwzFeRnNjrUuBmAgnmixMYI&id=100064713337279

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