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EDS – Event Description Sheet

07-08.02.2023

Italy

Gambassi Terme

1. Participating countries

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

The 3rd meeting – workshop of the project “Active EU citizens: Think Global, Act Local” was held in Gambassi Terme (Italy) between 07-08/02/2023.

The meeting was attended by the whole partnership as indicated below and also by the citizens as required:

- *Municipality of Agii Anargiri-Kamatero (AAK), Greece (5 participants)*
- *National Association of Spa and Balneoclimatic Resorts, Romania (4 participants)*
- *Association of Polish Communes Euroregion Baltic, Poland (6 participants)*
- *Municipality of Mislata, Spain (5 participants)*
- *Comune di Gambassi Terme, Italy (10 participants)*
- *Citizens from Gambassi Terme, Italy (21 participants)*

Representatives from different sectors: politicians, public servants, experts, volunteers

Total number of participants: 51 participants from 5 European countries



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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

The 3rd meeting of the partners of the European project "Active EUcitizens: Think Global, Act Local" was held at the Municipality of Gambassi Terme in Italy on 07-08/02/2023. All the activities organized within the project took place in the Municipality of Gambassi Terme. Furthermore, 30 participants from 5 European countries attended the first day meeting and 51 participants, including citizens' representatives, attended the second day meeting.

The aim of the second event in Italy was to start drafting the document "strategy proposal for enhancing cultural heritage at local level through eu level cooperation", as well as to involve citizens in an active discussion that would generate a fruitful exchange of ideas. The document produced in Italy (to be finalized during the next workshop) is attached to this document.

During the first day, 07/02/2023, a welcome session was held at the Town Hall of Gambassi Terme. The Mayor of the Municipality of Gambassi Terme and the representatives of the host organization welcomed all the participants expressing their gratitude for having participated in this project and their availability for future collaborations. This was followed by the presentation of the territory with the projection of videos and the intervention of two important realities in terms of local promotion. This was followed by a visit to the Glass Museum and a greeting to the Local School, where the children welcomed the guests with material prepared by them specifically for the event. For the children this was very important not only to reinforce the concept of hospitality but also to get to know new European countries.

Afterwards, the participants in the event had lunch at the local school.

In the afternoon, the workshop continued with the processing of the document "strategy proposal for enhancing cultural heritage at local level through eu level cooperation" in which each partner was able to report their own reality and proposals for improvement for themselves and for the other partner countries.

After that, the guests were able to relax in the Thermal Baths of Gambassi Terme and have dinner in company.

During the second day, 08/02/2023, of the project meeting, a workshop was held with the citizens in the Municipal Gym of the municipality of Gambassi Terme.

For the first part of the event, the partners discussed what each of them wrote in the document "strategy proposal for enhancing cultural heritage at local level through eu level cooperation", exchanging ideas and suggestions.

Upon the citizens' arrival, the workshop continued, becoming a constructive debate between the project participants and the citizens' representatives, which highlighted not only local problems but also possible solutions and food for thought for all those present.

Subsequently, after a quick lunch, important places for the Gambassi Terme area were visited, such as the historical centre, the Pieve di Santa Maria a Chianni, the hostel for pilgrims and then continued in the Tuscan countryside.

The participants then took part in a convivial dinner where they were able to say goodbye while waiting for the next event.



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It is worth remembering that through all the activities that took place during the second project meeting in Italy, the fact was highlighted that even a small town like Gambassi Terme, with the right promotion and self-awareness on the part of citizens, can have a lot to tell.

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: 51 persons from 5 countries involved

- *Total number of women: 31*
- *Total number of men: 20*

- 1. Greece: 5 persons*
- 2. Romania: 4 persons*
- 3. Poland: 6 persons*
- 4. Italy: 31 persons*
- 5. Spain: 5 persons*

Participation in the event organized by the Municipality of Gambassi Terme was significant, especially by citizens.

It was very appreciated that citizens did not just listen but actively took part in the debate by presenting their observations and reality to the members of the partner countries.



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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 two-days event on the Facebook pages of the mayor and the main realities of the territory of Gambassi Terme.

Link:

https://m.facebook.com/story.php?story_fbid=pfbid02Qx2vQXWr3EPE3rCXhftXuoQ85KtkJoG9UCJdaFT5w5cdqkRZD13tnPvGzZT5KmoFl&id=1150448566

https://m.facebook.com/story.php?story_fbid=pfbid023qu17b3x725eymhkhowTZJjErJa2YnQJQq3wr3vhZ8PhXHonP92GTmhrqDpveT3l&id=1150448566

https://m.facebook.com/story.php?story_fbid=pfbid02NtLdRAgkhxfzNKMTHM3fbtkgfGuw1yph3VKrjuYgfcLspnPemrEipRrjuAG5zvKI&id=100063680915481

- Promotion on the Instagram page of the Municipality of the main realities of the territory of Gambassi Terme..

Link:

<https://www.instagram.com/p/CocV71YMNML/?igshid=YmMyMTA2M2Y=>

<https://www.instagram.com/p/CodSdmclCCq/?igshid=YmMyMTA2M2Y=>

- Promotion on the newspaper “La Nazione”.

Link:

<https://www.lanazione.it/empoli/cronaca/gambassi-una- vetrina-europea-per-il-turismo-6fe94951>

- Visibility and promotion on the project website

<https://activeeucitizens.eu/activities/activity-3-in-italy/>

5. Annexes

- List of participants at the event
- Agenda of the event
- Photos/videos carried out during the event
- Results obtained
- The information on the event will be published on the beneficiary(ies) website(s).

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