



EUROPE FOR CITIZENS

Democratic engagement and civic participation sub-programme

FINAL REPORT form

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Dates and Beneficiaries

Dates

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Project Summary

Short description of the project's results in English, French or German

English - 1	<p>It is a project that establishes a network of 8 cities from different EU countries: Mislata (Spain), Kocevje (Slovenia), Agii Anargiri (Greece), Balbriggan (Ireland), Lecce (Italy), Sofia (Bulgaria), Warsaw (Poland) and Budapest (Hungary). In each city, an event will be held, where each partner will address a specific topic with the aim of engaging young people in their city to contribute ideas on how to improve their cities and the EU in relation to the subject matter.</p> <p>The transnational events focus on the following axes: training opportunities, local EU policies for transfer of good practices, youth, social inclusion and practical examples for developing a team project. Each event is preceded by a local thematic design phase, based on new experiences and skills of the local team participants that they will put into practice and show to the rest of the network members during the transnational event.</p> <p>The final event, to be held in Warsaw, will also allow each partner to present its proposal for sustainable regeneration and youth integration as a conclusion of the programme. The best project selected during the competition will be presented by each partner to the respective local authorities and will be submitted to the Committee of the Regions for their consideration.</p> <p>The project aims to engage young people (in particular those at risk of social exclusion), showing them that EU programmes offer them a wide range of opportunities for personal growth and skills training based on digitalisation, inclusion, urbanism, tourism, art, innovation, fundamental rights, climate change and the EU green deal. The project aims to turn young people into actors in their society by actively involving them in a challenge called "Create your Europe". Participants have decided how to stage their cities to make them attractive and inclusive from a youth perspective. This project aims to be a tool to promote European citizenship, allowing young people to understand the different opportunities offered by the EU for their inclusion and, in turn, to discuss the roadmap of the institutions and become a relevant actor from the local level. Each project organisation has organised local debates with young people on the rise of Euroscepticism and its consequences for the future of the European Union. The debates or activities have allowed young people to deepen their knowledge of EU institutions and policies, while understanding the need and purpose of European projects, as well as their potential individual and collective benefits. This will foster democratic and civic participation, by developing citizens' understanding of the Union's policy-making process and promoting opportunities for social and intercultural engagement and volunteering at Union level, as the EU is implementing many initiatives for youth, such as the European Service Corps, Youth on the Move, Youth Guarantee, European Solidarity Corps, Odyssey or Erasmus+ among others.</p> <p>The methodologies for working in these groups will be innovative, dynamic, reflexive and plural, adapting in each case to the personal and group characteristics. Each entity is free to organise the work and the elaboration of proposals as they see fit. Each entity should submit a minimum of 5 proposals and a maximum of 10. The proposals are presented in English, so that young participants from different countries increase their linguistic knowledge and EU skills.</p>
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Description

Impact and Citizen Involvement

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The project aims to turn young people into actors in their society by actively involving them in a challenge called "Create your Europe". The participants have decided how to stage their cities to make them attractive and inclusive from a youth point of view. This project aims to be a tool that will European citizenship, enabling young people to understand the different opportunities that the EU offers by the EU for their inclusion and, at the same time, to discuss the roadmap of the institutions and to become a relevant actor at the local level. Each project organisation has organised local debates with young people about the rise of Euroscepticism and its consequences for the future of the European Union. The debates or activities have allowed young people to deepen their knowledge of EU institutions and policies, to understand EU institutions and policies, while understanding the need and purpose of European projects, as well as their potential benefits and collective benefits. This will foster democratic and civic participation, by developing citizens' understanding of the EU process of the Union's policy-making process and promoting opportunities for social and intercultural engagement and volunteering at Union level, as well as the EU is implementing many initiatives for youth, such as the Youth Corps initiatives for youth, Youth on the Move, Youth Guarantee, European Solidarity Corps, Odyssey or Erasmus+ among others.

Each entity has to structure a stable group of YOUTHXEUROPE and this group will be the natural, although not exclusive, space to elaborate proposals for the regeneration of the European Union project.

A selection committee is set up consisting of one person from each entity, who has not been involved in the preparation of the proposals.

Proposals will be judged on the basis of:

- Innovation and originality
- Feasibility
- Replicability

The 10 best proposals will be selected from all the proposals submitted. These proposals may come from different entities and countries. In addition to the 10 winners, the selection committee may select all those it considers interesting. The selection work will be done at the last transnational meeting planned in Warsaw in February 2023.

The results of the project are useful as a basis for future activities and decisions on proven Euroscepticism, channelling criticism of the EU into a useful, constructive and positive driver for European integration in the long term and for helping the EU to come closer to its citizens .

Participation in events and citizen involvement in each territory has fostered intercultural debate and mutual understanding, contributing to the long-term development of a more inclusive, participatory and democratic Europe. TIME4EU project has had a great impact, especially for the young people of the the young people. The dynamizing effect of the project is one of the most important points that TIME4EU has helped to spread among the young people. Through continuous meetings as a result of the project's impact over time, it has been possible to project, it has been possible to create a dynamic group of young people, who have been involved in the project. But not only in TIME4EU, but, from this, in the future, these young people will be able to participate in future European projects.

Direct testimonies/stories from participants collected during the events.

MISLATA

- For the participants from Mislata, the TIME4EU project has meant meeting people of different ages and cultures, thanks to the fact that it has allowed them to travel to different parts of Europe. Thanks to this, the project has served to share ideas as a result of teamwork and the main areas of content have been inclusion, democracy, equality and citizen participation. These ideas that have emerged throughout the different events will be fundamental in order to build an alternative way of working in the future by establishing new consortiums for the implementation of projects. It has also been possible to see, thanks to the teamwork, the different ways in which other people work and to share the main ideas of functioning in participatory group work areas.

GREECE

- For the Greek partners, the most important highlights of the TIME4EU project have been the effective collaboration at the working level in each of the organised events. As well as the excellent relationship between all partners at all levels. There were also honest discussions that further enriched the work and the final conclusions of the project. It was possible to realise a great work between all partners. On the other hand, thanks to the ideas that came out of the workshops at the event, it has been possible to carry out in a prone to innovation environment in order to elaborate future project ideas along the lines of the previous one. Finally, being able to participate in this project has been a unique experience for the participants, as these opportunities are essential for the development of professional, professional and human competences and skills.

HUNGARY

-For the Hungarian participants, being part of the TIME4EU project has been an opportunity to establish bonds with citizens of different nationalities. The community that has been created with all the participants in the events has created a very active and interesting intercultural friendship. This has been possible thanks to the diversity and cooperation resulting from the transmission of European values and the creation of a network.

Thanks to this project, which has allowed the exploration of different places throughout the European Union, a point of contact with other cultures has been established. For this reason, the project will have a durability in time that will allow new ideas and proposals for future collaborations in the development of new projects to be born from it.

IRELAND

-For the Irish partners the TIME4EU project has meant building a better community of people across Europe. It has given us a better understanding of how our European neighbours support young people to reach their potential and ultimately it has also helped us a lot to be able to have a potential future at partner level to build future projects.

POLAND

- From Polish people TIME4EU means Solidarity and mutual support are essential in times of crisis. Through their engagement in the project TIME4EU, I have emphasized the importance of coming together and supporting one another. It's crucial to know other people's way of thinking and also the way of managing cities as this initiative was a network of the people that have an impact on cities' communities. I learn the importance of empowering and supporting young people to become leaders and agents of change in their communities. I as a participant highlighted the role that networking and creativity can play in promoting solidarity and unity, and encouraged others to use their talents to inspire and uplift those around them.

Key message(s) of citizens involved in the project

It's our time, it's time for Europe. Europe is art, Europe is innovation, Europe is opportunities, Europe is tasty, Europe is tourism, Europe is our hometown, Europe is nature!

Description of implemented activities

MISLATA (SPAIN)

-Hackathon "Marathon of ideas. A digital city innovative digital city for young people". The workshop was attended by about 30 young people from Mislata together with the participants of the project. The awards ceremony for the most innovative ideas was held at the end of the workshop.

BUDAPEST (HUNGARY)

- "Europe is ART!" Art and culture in mobilising youth participation. Aimed at youth participation in the EU, community actions, community spaces, social participation, active citizenship, cooperation.
-"Coffee culture in Europe". Activity aimed at dealing with issues related to literature, the international aspect of literature, architecture, community actions, community building.
- Workshop aimed at fostering and promoting youth theatre interactions.
-Workshop aimed at making known through music the connection between Hungarian and Balkan culture through the use of musical instruments, musical traditions in Europe, and world music. musical instruments, musical traditions in Europe, and world music, with a performance by with a performance by Pengetős Trió, Bence Babcsán.

SOFIA (BULGARY)

- Workshop entitled "A better Europe better Europe for youth" and talked about what social change is and how to achieve it from a youth mobilisation perspective. Emphasis was put on youth rights and empowerment.
- Visit to a class of students from a rural school for international children's day. Opportunities were discussed through the prism of green entrepreneurship, to emphasise practices related to environmental care and carbon footprint reduction.

LECCE (ITALY)

-Europa is tasty! Food as a cultural identity" c/o Laboratorio Artigianale di A.Pi.Sa. - Association of Pizza Makers of Salento- of Confartigianato Imprese Lecce (association of entrepreneurs). This activity was in charge of a vocational training workshop where, through Italian cuisine, young people at risk of exclusion and with functional diversity are given the opportunity to increase their individual and work skills in order to enter the labour market by providing them with the necessary tools and knowledge. The activity consisted of attending the demonstration and carrying out of the culinary process of pizza making by the teacher and his students.
- During the day, a coordination meeting was also held, which was concluded with the visit of the Councillor for Training and Work of the Puglia Region ended with the visit of the Councillor for Training and Employment of the Puglia Region: Sebastiano Leo. During this intervention, the importance of the continuous improvement of vocational training in order to meet the demands of an increasingly global, technological and digital employment.

AGII ANARGIRI (GREECE)

-Europe is tourism! Visit to a recycling plant in the centre of the municipality of Agii Anargiri and an experimental workshop focused on the exchange of best practices through experiences and emotions in travel.
-A guided tour of the city explained the strengths of Athens and its promotion of tourism, as well as its main weaknesses.

KOCEJVE (SLOVENIA)

- Europe is nature! The event focused on youth, technology and nature.
- Workshop on nature and technology in a business incubator in Kočevje.

BALBRIGGAN (IRLANDA)

-Europe is our hometown! Activities focused on encouraging citizen participation, specifically that of young people through storytelling and the creation of public spaces.

WARSAW (POLAND)

-It's our time, it's time for Europe! Closing event of the project. Multiplier event to bring the TIME4EU project to an end. Ideas competition to lay the ideological foundations for future European projects and to generate a long-term impact.

Changes in relation of the original application

During the course of the project, a document had to be created to restructure the initial plan. This document has been created due to the need to restructure the calendar of international meetings. In the different online meetings, various partners showed their inability to hold the meetings according to the dates assigned in the "Cooperation Agreement" Due to this fact, it was agreed between the leader and the partners, to allow each partner to express their compatibility and willingness to organize their event.

Another change that has arisen during the course of the project is that a website has been set up. This website has given a great boost to the visibility and dissemination of the events held and the results of the project. The website is in English and all the partners have their own section where their organisations and their participation in each event are exposed. In addition, the activities carried out during the whole project are explained. Here is the direct link to the project website: <https://time4eu.com/>.

Another of the things that had to be changed in the project with respect to its main proposal were the dates. Initially, the project was scheduled to be completed by 8 May 2022. However, due to the COVID-19 pandemic, the calendar of events had to be restructured because some partners asked to be able to do so in order to comply with all the health and safety measures when holding the events. Thus, the end date of the project was the end of February 2023. Thus, with this extension we were able to hold all the events correctly and comply with the established work schedule.

Dissemination and visibility of your project

TIME4EU has had a great impact, especially for young people. The dynamising effect of the project is one of the most important points that TIME4EU has helped to spread among young people. Through continuous meetings in each of the project partner countries as a result of the project's impact over time, it has been possible to create a dynamic group of young people, between 15-30 people, who have become involved in the project. However, not only in TIME4EU, but also in the future, these young people will be able to participate in future European projects. These groups of young people have been responsible for creating a series of proposals that will serve in the future for the birth of new European projects.

All these sessions have provided a participatory character to the young people who have taken part in the different meetings, thus successfully completing the main objective of TIME4EU. The importance that this has for the young people of each municipality or project partner association to feel integrated into a project of this magnitude is vital so that the policies of the European Union can be visible and the values that it promotes can be transmitted in such a direct way. In the final part of the project, each participating country, through these groups of young people, had to create a series of ideas, which were evaluated at the final event in Warsaw and the 10 best ones were chosen.

The following guidelines were issued for the dissemination of the project:

1. The teams Young People in Europe

Create a «EUROPE YOUTH TEAM» in each city to:

tasks specific to the project in your local area participate in the meetings and transnational activities. Each team will respond to the characteristics of each of the entities of the project «It's our time, it's time for Europe» general principles

- combat social exclusion,
- integrate diverse profiles of young people

2. Local activities

2.1. Create your Europe

Each EUROPE YOUTH TEAM must design and write a regeneration proposal for sustainability and integration of young people in European cities to:

- imagine proposals that contribute to making cities in the city more sustainable and inclusive
- apply the contents of the 2030 Agenda and the Sustainable Development Goals

The 8 proposals (which must contain different initiatives and measures) will be presented at the Warsaw meeting to select the best and create a unique document as the final result.

2.2. With Europe, better

Each EUROPE YOUTH TEAM must carry out activities to enhance the project of the European Union and combat Euroscepticism:

- dissemination of the general principles and the benefits of the EU for young people;
- reflect on the shortcomings and future challenges of the European project;
- approximate concrete EU initiatives and programs and the opportunities they offer to people young.

Common website of the project to integrate: <https://time4eu.com/>

- Agenda of local actions - With Europe, Better
- Agenda of transnational actions
- Proposals for the Create your Europe ideas competition
- The final document resulting from the Warsaw meeting
- Video reports of local actions - With Europe, Better Europe
- Video reports of transnational actions
- Content for dissemination on social networks
- Social media
- Press releases for local and regional media

- Video report summarising the actions carried out in the framework of the project "It's our time, it's time for Europe "

Visibility of the Europe for Citizens Programme

TIME4EU project has been adapted to the recommendations and needs of both the specific and general objectives of the Europe for Citizens programme guide such as bringing the Union closer to its citizens.

The most important points on which the general line of work during the project has been based have been to

- to help citizens improve their knowledge of the Union, its history and its diversity; to improve the conditions for civic and democratic participation at Union level; to stimulate debate, discussion and reflection in order to try to improve citizens' involvement in the issues that concern them most; to encourage democratic and civic participation of citizens at Union level, developing their understanding of the Union's policy-making process; to encourage the exchange of good practice between the different countries participating in the events, cultural exchange and to create supranational networks for the drafting of new projects based on ideas drawn from the TIME4EU project.

-The project also focused on one of the main objectives of the OBE programme. This is to create projects that give citizens the opportunity to participate concretely in the Union's policy-making process and that stimulate discussions for practical solutions to problems through European cooperation. In addition, a network of cities has been created that will cooperate on the conclusions drawn from the project in order to create new projects in the future. They can also share resources or interests, increase their capacity to influence or face common challenges.

-During the project, what has been done is to involve the maximum number of people at risk of exclusion so that they have an opportunity that is rarely given to them to learn how a project of this type works and to get closer to the values that the European Union tries to transmit. Apart from this, the project has also focused on equality and tolerance towards the origin and provenance of the different participants in order to create a climate of coexistence and work in accordance with the guidelines of the European Union in terms of solidarity and cooperation.

Additional information

We recommend that events be held in person, since the multiculturalism of European projects is preserved at its best.

We recommend using European projects in progress as a starting point for new European alliances, either through European projects or another type of collaboration.

We note that European projects can have a great impact at the local level, as has been the case in Mislata.

STATISTICS

Direct Participants

Name of Organisation/municipality	Country	Participants by target group			Disadvantaged participants	Women	Men	Total
		below 30	30-65	above 65				
AYUNTAMIENTO DE MISLATA	Spain	63	20	3	0	44	39	83
Fingal County Council	Ireland	28	13	6	0	26	24	50
CNIPA PUGLIA	Italy	48	9	3	1	26	34	60
BUDAPEST FOVAROS XI KERULET UJBUDA ONKORMANYZATA	Hungary	38	10	0	24	24	24	48
FUNDACJA AUTOKREACJA	Poland	41	20	8	0	40	29	69
SDRUZHENIE BALGARSKA MLADEZHKA ASOTSIATSIA	Bulgaria	35	15	7	0	25	32	57
OBCINA KOCEVJE	Slovenia	63	17	0	0	33	47	80
DIMOS AGION ANARGIRON-KAMATEROU	Greece	8	40	0	4	26	26	52
		324	144	27	29	244	255	499

Indirect Participants

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Number of indirect participants

1 583

Other information

Activities of the project

Project start date

01/04/2021

Project end date

28/02/2023

Venues of the activities

Venue of the activities

Country	City
Bulgaria	Sofia
Greece	Dimos Agion Anargiron-Kamaterou
Slovenia	Kocevje
Italy	Lecce

Poland	Warsaw
Spain	Mislata
Ireland	Balbriggan
Hungary	Budapest

Information template

Direct link to the webpage of the municipality where the duly filled out information template is located/published.
Reminder: acceptance of the Final Report is conditioned upon the publication of the information template with project-related information.

<https://www.mislata.es/es/informate/tablon-de-anuncios/proyecto-time4eu-its-our-time-its-time-europe>

Citizens' understanding of the EU

To which extent have the project's activities increased citizens' understanding of the EU?

Very good

Please give an example

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The project has aimed to involve young people (with a special focus on those at risk of social exclusion) by showing them that EU programmes are available to them. at risk of social exclusion), showing them that EU programmes offer them a wide range of opportunities for personal growth and offer them a wide range of opportunities for personal growth and skills training based on digitalisation, inclusion skills training based on digitalisation, inclusion, urbanism, tourism, art, innovation, fundamental rights, climate change and the EU green deal.

Therefore, what the TIME4EU project has sought to promote has been primarily democratic and civic participation, by developing citizens' understanding of the Union's policy-making process. citizens' understanding of the Union's policy-making process and promoting opportunities for social and intercultural and promoting opportunities for social and intercultural engagement and volunteering at Union level, as the EU is volunteering at the Union level, as the EU is implementing many initiatives for youth, such as the Youth Corps initiatives for youth, such as the European Service Corps, Youth on the Move, Youth Guarantee, European Solidarity Corps, Odyssey or Erasmus+ among others.

Short description check

I hereby confirm that the information provided under the "Short description of the project's results" is written in EN, DE or FR and clearly indicates the main results/achievements of the project, topics covered, countries involved; number of direct/indirect participants.
I am aware that this information can be used for publication purposes.

Duty to keep documents/obligation to provide information check

I hereby confirm that I'm aware about contractual obligations set out in the Articles n° 27.2 & n° 27.3 of General Conditions to keep all original documents for a period of 5 years starting from the date of payment of the balance. Therefore, the evidences of the project implementation(e.g. participants lists and/or photos and/or catering & travelling invoices and/or boarding passes and/or any other proves) have been kept and

will be provided upon request in the context of checks and audits.

Financial Sheet

Final Grant Requested

Item	Contractual	Declared
Executive Agency - EACEA	146 160,00	146 160,00
Total:	146 160,00	146 160,00

Attachments

Type of File	Name of the File
Declaration on Honour	DEL CARACIÁN DE HONOR TIME4EU.pdf
Financial Final Report - Grant calculation sheet	EfC_NT2020R2_BeneficiarySpace_2020_Final Budget Calculation Sheet NT EN (1).xlsx
Project's pictures (if you could summarize the project in 3 pictures what those would be?). Please note that these pictures might be used for publication purposes - picture 1	MISLATA IMAGE TIME4EU.jpg
picture 2	BUDAPEST IMAGE TIME4EU.jpg
picture 3	slovenia image time4eu.png