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# Start Point - Citizenship Learning in a Shifting Society

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**THE AIM:** Towards integration and political and social participation of young vulnerable adults.

**THE ISSUE :** In a constantly shifting society, we don't want the most vulnerable among us to fall behind. We believe that participation in society as well as in politics is crucial for a democracy to function properly.

**WE PROPOSE :** An opportunity to find solutions based on accessible learning settings, equality, empowerment, and autonomy, established on a conception of active citizenship learning. Focusing on young adults from disadvantaged groups, we are assessing the barriers they face and creating tools for them to be more empowered, skilled and have a sense of personal and social responsibility as participants in a democratic society.

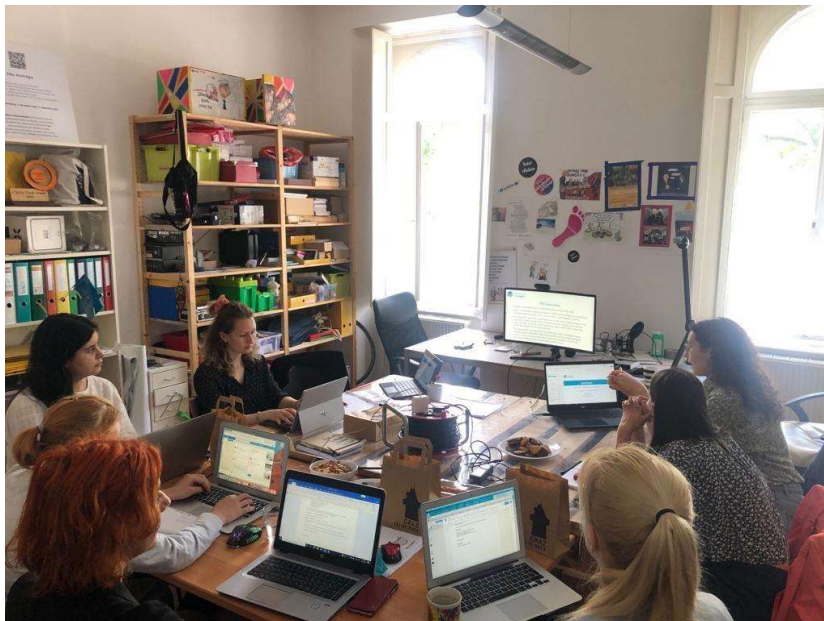


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The consortium consists of six entities from six European countries: KulturLife – Germany, InterAktion – Austria, Center for Social Innovation – Cyprus, Rightchallenge – Portugal, DRUSTVO ZA RAZVIJANJE PROSTOVOLJNEGA DELA NOVO MESTO – Slovenia, Learning for Integration ry – Finland.

The first phase of the project (PR1) has been successfully completed. The consortium has completed the desk and field research required in the respective countries, in order to have



a proper grasp of the current state of being regarding the Target Group. This research is the foundation for the later parts of the project, which aim in the creation of training material to support the social and political participation of vulnerable young adults in their respective countries. Towards the end of PR1, the first Transnational Partner Meeting (TPM) took place in person, in Graz, Austria, hosted by Interaktion.

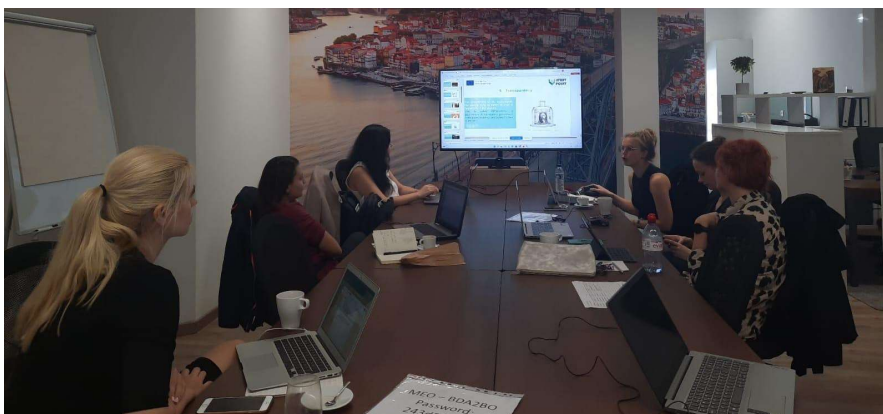
We are currently going through the next phase of the project (PR2) during which, the educational material is being designed – a digital citizenship learning toolkit. The goal is for marginalized young adults to use this toolkit in order to develop skills and become





engaged citizens. The material is divided into five modules. All of them include different methods of training through video, PowerPoint style presentation, a quiz, and infographics.

Meanwhile, the second in-person TPM took place during the 27th and 28th of September. This time the hosts were RightChallenge based in Porto, Portugal. The partners discussed the project's progress including the development of the training material, launch of the project website, as well as the kick off of PR3, which calls for the creation of a Community Learning Programme.



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