



LOCAL COMMUNITY LEADERS PROJECT

NEWSLETTER 1

PARTNERSHIP

The partnership is composed by seven partners, involving different sizes, characteristics and fields of expertise:

- [KCZIA](#) (Poland)
- [MC2020](#) (Spain)
- [In Progress](#) (Italy)
- [LAG](#) (Germany)
- [BIMEC](#) (Bulgaria)
- [LABSTEM](#) (Greece)
- [ULBS](#) (Romania)

MENTORING
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THE PROJECT

MODEL OF MENTORING BETWEEN THE LOCAL COMMUNITY LEADERS—THE ROLE OF SENIORS IN LOCAL COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT.

Local Community Leaders project is implemented within the framework of the Erasmus+ Programme. The topic of this project is the cooperation between experienced community leaders over 50 and possible future ones, making emphasis on the need to re-think and recognize the role of older people and their crucial contributions to the local community.

The main objective of the project is the encouragement to improve the community development by increasing the number of well-prepared local leaders among people over 50. In order to reach our objective, we will provide training for current and potential community leaders focused on increasing their knowledge and skills, we will promote the emergence of new community leaders through mentoring, and we will encourage local community leaders to share their experiences, best practices as well as active networking.

Our project is directed to two main target groups. On the one hand, current and potential local community leaders over 50. On the other hand, community centres, NGOs, initiative groups, charities as well as local, regional and national authorities.

RESULTS

The project will have two different outputs. The first one, the Handbook and Guide, focused on how to be a local community

leader. The second one, the Training Modules and the Training Kit, focused on providing specific training for local community leaders.

IO1. The Handbook and Guide: How to be a leader of a local community.

Its objective is to support people over 50 in fulfilling their specific role as local community leaders: building networks between people and institutions, strengthening trust in local community and developing effective work for the benefit of the common good.

It will consist of two different parts. The first one will include different chapters regarding the role of leaders in local community development, description of the method of mentoring between local leaders, good practices in organizing this kind of mentoring, questionnaire research results as well as other key resources. The second one will be focused on recommendations for the NGOs and other institutions working at local levels on how to implement the proposed mentoring model.

IO2. The Training Modules and the Training Kit: The training for the local community leaders.

The training kit will consist of an introduction, several independent training modules, handouts for the trainer, examples of good practices and other useful resources as well as a proposal of the training evaluation.

The training modules will be designed to be used as workbooks, self-paced guides, reference manuals, handouts as well as job aids.

WHY MENTORING?

We consider mentoring the best way to support experienced community leaders and encourage potential ones. It can be an opportunity to exchange knowledge, ideas and good practices, while being a source of motivation.



KICK-OFF MEETING IN KRAKÓW

The first meeting in the framework of Local Community Leaders project was held in Kraków, Poland, on December 12th. The meeting was organized by Krakowskie Centrum Zarządzania i Administracji Sp. z o.o. (KCZIA), project coordinator.

KICK-OFF MEETING

The meeting began with the welcoming and presentation of all partners. Each partner had time to present their companies/organizations, by making emphasis on the aspects of interest for the new project. The coordinator presented the project itself, focusing on aims, results, schedule, coordination and project management, followed by the presentation of the Management Road Map as well as the Communication Plan. Afterwards, partners met in groups in order to discuss about the development of Intellectual Output 1 as well as Intellectual Output 2.

After a common lunch, the coordinator presented the Coordination and Project Management. Afterwards, partner from Spain, MC2020, presented the Dissemination Plan proposal; while partner from Romania, ULBS, presented the Quality Assurance Plan proposal. The meeting finalised with a brief summary by the coordinator and the issuing of certificates. Partners had the opportunity to say goodbye to each other in a warm common dinner.

ORGANIZING PARTNER

Krakowskie Centrum Zarządzania i Administracji Sp. z o.o. (KCZIA) is a private SME, founded in Poland in 1999. It has two main areas of expertise. On the one hand, it is specialized in consulting, providing outsourcing services adapted to specialized needs of other business.

On the other hand, it is specialized in education for adults, involving a Training Centre for Adults as well as The Cracow Centre of the Improvement of Educational Personnel Skills.

The meeting was held at coordinator's office, located in the center of Kraków.





GETTING TO KNOW LOCAL COMMUNITY LEADERS PROJECT A BIT MORE...

What is community leadership?

The process of finding, supporting and
guiding the talents and energies of other
members of communities towards
achieving common aims.

Why is it important?

An effective community
leadership is an essential contributor to
local social development.

Why adults?

Encouraging and supporting adult people over to
be community leaders is a good way for activation
of seniors' citizenship.

Our Website and Facebook account will be
available soon.

