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**Measure 2.2 "Networks of Towns"**

The project "Strands that unite us through migration", Strand 2 - Measure 2.2 "Networks of Cities", had 5 events that were carried out as follows:

#### ***Venue(s) of the activities***

**Event 1** - Gondomar (Portugal), from 06 to 09 September 2021

**Event 2** - Fonds-Saint-Denis/Le Marin (Martinique, France), from 31 January to 7 February 2022

**Event 3** - Thessaloniki/Nea Propontida (Greece), from 25 to 28 April 2022

**Event 4** - Castelmola/Forza d'Agrò (Taormina, Italy), from 11 to 14 May 2022

**Event 5** - Krakow/Kamionka Wielka (Poland) from 30 June to 03 July 2022

#### **Event 1**

**Participation:** The event involved 92 citizens, including 35 international participants and 57 local participants

The 57 local participants who attended the event were from the city of Gondomar (Portugal).

The 35 international participants as following:

- 2 participants from the city of Hamrun (Malta)
- 2 participants from the city of Dolinka (Slovakia)
- 3 participants from the city of Teo (Spain)
- 3 participants from the city of Roccalumera (Italy)
- 2 participants from the Poienarii de Arges (Romania)
- 2 participants from the city of Zagreb (Croatia)
- 2 participants from the city of Kekavas (Latvia)
- 2 participants from the city of kamionka wielka (Poland)
- 2 participants from the city of Valga (Estonia)
- 2 participants from the city of Kelme (Lithuania)
- 2 participants from the city of Pásztó (Hungary)
- 2 participants from the city of Tryavna (Bulgaria)
- 2 participants from the city of Kavadarci (Northern Macedonia)
- 2 participants from the city of Orlicí (Czech Republic)
- 2 participants from the city of Nea Propontida (Greece)
- 2 participants from the city of Lyon and 1 from the city of Paris (France)

**Location / Dates:** The event took place in Gondomar, from 06 to 09 September 2021 (Portugal).

**Short description:** The aim of the event was the official opening and presentation of the Networks of Towns "Strings that unite us through migration", European Conferences with discussions and debates on the aim to create a thematic Network of Towns for raising awareness about priority matters linked to migration, integration and social inclusion, fight against marginalization and the stigmatization of migrants.

The first event, held in Gondomar (Portugal) was conducted through thematic conferences, public debates, diffusion and exchange of the best practices, comparison, round table, case studies, interactive workshops, life stories learned from the interview of migrants and view documentary, evaluation, dissemination and networking for the future.

The activities scheduled fostered a sense of ownership of the EU policies and promoted active participation, to build a tighter-knit Europe, according to the principles of active citizenship and participatory democracy.

All participants were actively involved in the development of a constructive dialogue on the topics, creating open debates and discussions through moments of question time and non-formal activities. It was kept in constant consideration the principle of non-discrimination, with particular attention to the inclusion of difficult groups and disadvantaged people.

The activities aimed to reflect the needs and requirements of the participants, in line with the general and specific objectives of the program and the project, to promote new strategies in active participation of citizens, cultural diversity, intercultural dialogue, participation in the democratic process, debate on the Future of EU and social cohesion.

Therefore, participants have been encouraged to exchange opinions and best practices with the aim to formulate new ideas and concrete future proposals. At the closure of the event there was a final evaluation and group reflection in order to receive the feedback from the participants.

#### **Program of the First Event in Portugal:**

**06 September 2021 Monday** - Arrivals and Accommodation of the international participants. Accommodation in Porto at "STAY Hotel Porto Centro Trindade" (Portugal).

WELCOME CEREMONY, opening of proceedings, and institutional greetings by the representatives of the entities involved.

**07 September 2021 Tuesday** - 1st Day of Conference – from 10.00 to 13.00

**1st Conference at debates room of “Casa Branca de Gramido” (Gondomar)**

**Kick Off + Press Conference + Presentation of the Networks and of the Project**

9,30: Registration of the participants.

10,00: Opening of the 1st Conference

- Institutional Greetings by *Marco Martins*, Mayor of Gondomar Municipality (Portugal);

*Isabel Santos*, Member of the European Parliament (by video); *Aurora Vieira*, Councillor of the Municipality of Gondomar; *Mário Tavares* and *João Diogo Tavares* (Project Managers).

- Presentation of the project, activities and Network

- Opening of the Network of Town - In this specific session it will be presented the project, the activities and the knowledge of the Municipality and Territory Partners. Session devoted to the illustration of the Network, the objectives and the strategic direction of the Network

Moderator: *Mário Tavares*, European Project Manager (Portugal)

Speakers:

- ❖ *Christian Sammut*, Mayor of Hamrun Local Council (Malta)
- ❖ *Zsolt Regi*, Mayor of Dolinka Municipality (Slovakia)
- ❖ *Jose Neira Picallo*, from Asociacion Xuvenil Vrenza (Spain)
- ❖ *Tino Celisi*, from Associazione Moving Europe (Italy)
- ❖ *Mário Tavares*, from Caravela - Associação para a Cidadania Europeia (Portugal)
- ❖ *Gherghina Liviu*, from Primaria Comunei Poienarii de Arges (Romania)
- ❖ *Ivan Jedvaj*, from Udruga Gradjana Zagrebacke Dubrave i Sesveta (Croatia)
- ❖ *Maris Ozolins*, from Municipality of Kekavas (Latvia)
- ❖ *Borczyk Malgorzata*, from Municipality of Gmina Kamionka Wielka (Poland)
- ❖ *Lea Vutt*, from Municipality of Valga (Estonia)
- ❖ *Asta Kiziene*, from Municipality of Kelme (Lithuania)
- ❖ *Nikoletta Genyene Batta*, Mayor of Pásztó Municipality (Hungary)
- ❖ *Silvia Krasteva*, from Municipality of Tryavna (Bulgaria)
- ❖ *Todor Efremov*, from Municipality of Kavadarci (Northern Macedonia)
- ❖ *Jaromíra Žáčková*, from OBLASTNI SPOLEK Českého červeného kříže Ústí nad Orlicí (Czech Republic )
- ❖ *Ifigeneia Tsira*, from Social Welfare Centre of Central Macedonia (Greece)
- ❖ *Fanny Hervo*, from Mouvement Europeen Martinique (France)

12.00: Conclusion of the daily Session by *Marco Martins*, Mayor of Gondomar Municipality

12:30: Question time / public Debate, questions about the issues under discussion

Afternoon:

Documentary screening on the Migrant Emergency and Visit / Meeting with local associations in Gondomar,

Cultural visits to the historic and artistic heritage of Gondomar and Porto.

Dinner with typical Portuguese food with the presence of local immigrants

**08 September 2021 Wednesday** - 2nd Day of Conference – from 10.00 to 13.00

**2nd Conference at “Auditório municipal de Gondomar” (Gondomar)**

**Round table “Through greater integration, we will obtain threads that unite us socially and culturally”**

09.30: Registration of the participants

10.00: Opening of the 2nd Conference

Institutional Greetings by *Marco Martins*, Mayor of Gondomar Municipality (Portugal)

Ceremony of the Town-Twinning - Signature of the Brotherhood’s Oath

10.30: Round table “Through greater integration, we will obtain threads that unite us socially and culturally”

Moderator: *João Diogo Tavares*, European Project Manager (Portugal)

Speakers:

- ❖ *Daniel Bugeja*, from Hamrun Local Council (Malta)
- ❖ *Tamas Regi*, from Municipality of Dolinka (Slovakia)
- ❖ *Fernando Castro*, from Asociacion Xuvenil Vrenza (Spain)
- ❖ *Matteo Francilia*, (Mayor of Per Furci Municipality), from Associazione Moving Europe (Italy)
- ❖ *João Diogo Tavares*, from Caravela - Associação para a Cidadania Europeia (Portugal)
- ❖ *Dragos Boncea*, Mayor of Poienarii de Arges Municipality (Romania)
- ❖ *Jasna Jedvaj*, from Udruga Gradjana Zagrebacke Dubrave i Sesveta (Croatia)
- ❖ *Juris Zilko*, Mayor of Kekavas Municipality (Latvia)
- ❖ *Sylwia Motyka*, from Municipality of Gmina Kamionka Wielka (Poland)
- ❖ *Anni Teetsmann*, from Municipality of Valga (Estonia)
- ❖ *Vilmantas Kizi*, from Municipality of Kelme (Lithuania)
- ❖ *Nikoletta Genye*, from Municipality of Pásztó (Hungary)
- ❖ *Stelyana Boneva*, from Municipality of Tryavna (Bulgaria)
- ❖ *Sasho Moshev*, from Municipality of Kavadarci (Northern Macedonia)
- ❖ *Jaroslav Žáček*, from OBLASTNI SPOLEK Českého červeného kříže Ústí nad Orlicí (Czech Republic )

❖ *Stylianios Kampouris*, from Social Welfare Centre of Central Macedonia (Greece)

❖ *Chantal Dagnaud*, from Mouvement Europeen Martinique (France)

12.00: Conclusion of the daily Session by Aurora Vieira, Councillor of the Municipality of Gondomar

12:20: Question time / public Debate, questions about the issues under discussion

Afternoon:

Project Work - Moment dedicated to the elaboration of new joint project hypotheses and the planning of the 2nd Event - Discussion in plenary and open discussion.

Evening: Multiethnic Dinner - The Table of Cultures: Food, Traditions and Migrations

Ceremony of greeting of the delegations. Interventions by local and international public authorities in the presence of citizens. Renewal of the appointment for the 2nd Event to be held in Fonds-Saint-Denis/Le Marin (Martinique, France), from 31 January to 7 February 2022 and Departure of the international delegations.

Final Evaluation and group reflection.

### **09 September 2021 Thursday**

Departure of international delegations.

### **Event 2**

**Participation:** The event involved 88 citizens, including 22 international participants and 66 local participants. The 64 local participants who attended the event were 27 from the city of Fonds-Saint-Denis and 39 from the city of Le Marin (Martinique, France).

The 22 international participants as following:

5 participants from the city of Gondomar (Portugal)

2 participants from the city of Dolinka (Slovakia)

2 participants from the city of Teo (Spain)

2 participants from the city of Roccalumera (Italy)

1 participants from the Poienarii de Arges (Romania)

2 participants from the city of Zagreb (Croatia)

1 participants from the city of Kekavas (Latvia)

1 participants from the city of Valga (Estonia)

1 participants from the city of Kelme (Lithuania)

1 participants from the city of Pásztó (Hungary)

1 participants from the city of Tryavna (Bulgaria)

1 participants from the city of Kavadarci (Northern Macedonia)

1 participants from the city of Orlicí (Czech Republic)

1 participants from the city of Nea Propontida (Greece)

**Location / Dates:** The event took place in Fonds-Saint-Denis /Le Marin (Martinique, France), from 31 January to 7 February 2022.

**Short description:** The aim of the event was to create a thematic Network of Towns for raising awareness about priority matters linked to migration, integration and social inclusion, fight against marginalization and the stigmatization of migrants.

The Topics discussed during the second event was “Europe, the old continent joins America the new continent: challenges and opportunities for integration”, Workshop “Local and rural agriculture”;

Debate “Migration, the links that unite us: culture, multiculturalism and interculturalism”.

The second event, held in Fonds-Saint-Denis/Le Marin (Martinique, France) was conducted through Thematic Conferences, public debates, diffusion and exchange of the best practices, comparison, round table, case studies, interactive workshops, life stories learned from the interview of migrants and view documentary, Evaluation, Dissemination and Networking for the Future.

The activities scheduled fostered a sense of ownership of the EU policies and promoted active participation, to build a tighter-knit Europe, according to the principles of active citizenship and participatory democracy.

All participants were actively involved in the development of a constructive dialogue on the topics, creating open debates and discussions through moments of question time and non-formal activities. It was kept in constant consideration the principle of non-discrimination, with particular attention to the inclusion of difficult groups and disadvantaged people.

The activities aimed to reflect the needs and requirements of the participants, in line with the general and specific objectives of the program and the project, to promote new strategies in active participation of citizens, cultural diversity, intercultural dialogue, participation in the democratic process, debate on the Future of EU and social cohesion.

Therefore, participants have been encouraged to exchange opinions and best practices with the aim to formulate new ideas and concrete future proposals. At the closure of the event there was a final Evaluation and group reflection in order to receive the feedback from the participants.

**Program of the Second Event in France:**

**31 January of 2022 Monday** - Arrivals and Accommodation of the international participants. Accommodation in Fort-de-France at "Karibea la Valmenière Hotel" (Martinique, France).

WELCOME CEREMONY, opening of proceedings, and institutional greetings by the representatives of the entities involved.

**01 February 2021 Tuesday**

Morning & Afternoon: Cultural visits in the region – Les Trois-Îlets - Savannah of Slaves /Diamond Rock Pottery /Viewpoint/Arlet Cove Bath.

**02 February 2021 Wednesday** - 1st Day of Conference – from 09.00 to 12.30

**3rd Conference at town council of Commune de Fonds st Denis (France), including the 1st Session Debate "Europe, the old continent joins America the new continent: challenges and opportunities for integration"; 2nd Session Workshop "Local and rural agriculture"**

9.00: Registration of the participants.

10.30: Opening of the 3rd Conference

- Institutional Greetings by Mrs. *Pascale Pompiere*, President of Mouvement Europeen Martinique (France); ; *Aurora Vieira*, Councillor of the Municipality of Gondomar; *Sandra Almeida*, Councillor of the Municipality of Gondomar; *Mário Tavares* and *João Diogo Tavares* (Project Managers).

**1st Session Debate "Europe, the old continent joins America the new continent: challenges and opportunities for integration"**

Moderator: *Mário Tavares*, European Project Manager (Portugal)

Speakers:

- ❖ *Zsolt Regi*, Mayor of Dolinka Municipality (Slovakia)
- ❖ *Javier Silvarino*, from Asociacion Xuvenil Vrenza (Spain)
- ❖ *Tino Celisi*, from Associazione Moving Europe (Italy)
- ❖ *João Diogo Tavares*, from Caravela - Associação para a Cidadania Europeia (Portugal)
- ❖ *Gherghina Liviu*, from Primaria Comunei Poienarii de Arges (Romania)
- ❖ *Jure Kupresak*, from Udruga Gradjana Zagrebacke Dubrave i Seseveta (Croatia)
- ❖ *Maris Ozolins*, from Municipality of Kekavas (Latvia)
- ❖ *Lea Vutt*, from Municipality of Valga (Estonia)
- ❖ *Asta Kiziene*, from Municipality of Kelme (Lithuania)
- ❖ *Anita Dénes*, from Municipality of Pásztó (Hungary)
- ❖ *Stelyana Boneva*, from Municipality of Tryavna (Bulgaria)
- ❖ *Todor Efremov*, from Municipality of Kavadarci (Northern Macedonia)
- ❖ *Martin Zacek*, from OBLASTNI SPOLEK Českého červeného kříže Ústí nad Orlicí (Czech Republic)
- ❖ *Ifigeneia Tsira*, from Social Welfare Centre of Central Macedonia (Greece)
- ❖ *Pascale Pompiere*, from Mouvement Europeen Martinique (France)

12.00: Conclusion of the daily Session by *Sandra Almeida*, Councillor of the Municipality of Gondomar

12:10: Question time / public Debate, questions about the issues under discussion

Afternoon:

**2nd Session Workshop "Local and rural agriculture"**

Workshop held at "L'association Lasotè" with the theme "Local and rural agriculture".

Work session on field cultivation, with lunch typical of the Association "Lasotè" served in the field

**03 February 2021 Thursday**

Morning & Afternoon: Cultural visits in the region - Fort-de-France/Jardin Balata/Montmartre

**04 February 2021 Friday** - 2nd Day of Conference – from 09.00 to 13.00

**4th Conference at town council of Municipality of Marin (France), including the 3rd Session Debate "Migration, the links that unite us: culture, multiculturalism and interculturalism".**

9.00: Registration of the participants.

10.30: Opening of the 4th Conference

- Institutional Greetings by Mrs. *Pascale Pompiere*, President of Mouvement Europeen Martinique (France); ; *Aurora Vieira*, Councillor of the Municipality of Gondomar; *Sandra Almeida*, Councillor of the Municipality of Gondomar; *Mário Tavares* and *João Diogo Tavares* (Project Managers).

**Debate "Migration, the links that unite us: culture, multiculturalism and interculturalism"**

Moderator: *João Diogo Tavares*, European Project Manager (Portugal)

Speakers:

- ❖ *David Regi*, from Municipality of Dolinka (Slovakia)
- ❖ *Jose Neira Picallo*, from Asociacion Xuvenil Vrenza (Spain)

- ❖ *Beatrice Briguglio*, from Associazione Moving Europe (Italy)
- ❖ *Mário Tavares*, from Caravela - Associação para a Cidadania Europeia (Portugal)
- ❖ *Gherghina Liviu*, from Primaria Comunei Poienarii de Arges (Romania)
- ❖ *Sandra Cavar*, from Udruga Gradjana Zagrebacke Dubrave i Sesveta (Croatia)
- ❖ *Maris Ozolins*, from Municipality of Kekavas (Latvia)
- ❖ *Lea Vutt*, from Municipality of Valga (Estonia)
- ❖ *Asta Kiziene*, from Municipality of Kelme (Lithuania)
- ❖ *Anita Dénes*, from Municipality of Pásztó (Hungary)
- ❖ *Stelyana Boneva*, from Municipality of Tryavna (Bulgaria)
- ❖ *Todor Efremov*, from Municipality of Kavadarci (Northern Macedonia)
- ❖ *Martin Zacek*, from OBLASTNI SPOLEK Českého červeného kříže Ústí nad Orlicí (Czech Republic)
- ❖ *Ifigenia Tsira*, from Social Welfare Centre of Central Macedonia (Greece)
- ❖ *Pascal Garnon*, from Mouvement Europeen Martinique (France)

12.20: Conclusion of the daily Session by *Aurora Vieira*, Councillor of the Municipality of Gondomar

12:10: Question time / public Debate, questions about the issues under discussion

Afternoon:

Typical lunch of the region, courtesy of the Municipality of Marin, followed by a cultural visit to the municipality, highlighting the "Mangrove des Salines in Ste Anne".

### 5 February 2021 Saturday

Morning & Afternoon: Cultural visits in the region - Saint Pierre Market and Pelé Mountain /Carbet bath  
Project Work - Moment dedicated to the Elaboration of new joint project hypotheses and the planning of the 3rd Event - Discussion in plenary and open discussion.

Evening: Multiethnic Dinner - The Table of Cultures: Food, Traditions and Migrations

Ceremony of greeting of the delegations. Interventions by local and international public authorities in the presence of citizens. Renewal of the appointment for the 3rd Event to be held in Thessaloniki/Nea Propontida (Greece), from 25 to 28 April 2022.

Final Evaluation and group reflection.

### 6 February 2021 Sunday

Departure of some international delegations & Free time.

### 7 February 2021 Monday

Departure of the remaining international delegations.

### Event 3

**Participation:** The event involved 85 citizens, including 39 international participants and 46 local participants  
The 46 local participants who attended the event were 20 from the city of Thessaloniki and 26 from the city of Nea Propontida (Greece).

The 39 international participants as following:

- 4 participants from the city of Gondomar (Portugal)
- 2 participants from the city of Hamrum (Malta)
- 3 participants from the city of Dolinka (Slovakia)
- 2 participants from the city of Teo (Spain)
- 2 participants from the city of Roccalumera (Italy)
- 2 participants from the Poienarii de Arges (Romania)
- 2 participants from the city of Zagreb (Croatia)
- 2 participants from the city of Kekavas (Latvia)
- 2 participants from the city of kamionka wielka (Poland)
- 2 participants from the city of Valga (Estonia)
- 2 participants from the city of Kelme (Lithuania)
- 2 participants from the city of Pásztó (Hungary)
- 2 participants from the city of Tryavna (Bulgaria)
- 4 participants from the city of Kavadarci (Northern Macedonia)
- 2 participants from the city of Orlicí (Czech Republic)
- 2 participants from the city of Fort de France (France)
- 2 participants from the city of Ribeira Grande (Portugal)

**Location / Dates:** The event took place in Thessaloniki/Nea Propontida (Greece), from 25 to 28 April 2022.

**Short description:** The aim of the event was to create a thematic Network of Towns for raising awareness about priority matters linked to migration, integration and social inclusion, fight against marginalization and the stigmatization of migrants.

The Topics discussed during the third event was "Immigrants and their political rights"; "Migration and human rights: the current situation at Europe's borders".

The third event, held in Thessaloniki/Nea Propontida (Greece) was conducted through Thematic Conferences, public debates, diffusion and exchange of the best practices, comparison, round table, case studies, interactive workshops, life stories learned from the interview of migrants and view documentary, Evaluation, Dissemination and Networking for the Future.

The activities scheduled fostered a sense of ownership of the EU policies and promoted active participation, to build a tighter-knit Europe, according to the principles of active citizenship and participatory democracy.

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The activities aimed to reflect the needs and requirements of the participants, in line with the general and specific objectives of the program and the project, to promote new strategies in active participation of citizens, cultural diversity, intercultural dialogue, participation in the democratic process, debate on the Future of EU and social cohesion.

Therefore, participants have been encouraged to exchange opinions and best practices with the aim to formulate new ideas and concrete future proposals. At the closure of the event there was a final Evaluation and group reflection in order to receive the feedback from the participants.

#### **Program of the Third Event in Greece:**

**25 April of 2022 Monday** - Arrivals and Accommodation of the international participants. Accommodation in Thessaloniki at "Hotel Mandrino" (Greece).

WELCOME CEREMONY, opening of proceedings, and institutional greetings by the representatives of the entities involved.

**26 April of 2022 Tuesday** - 1st Day of Conference – from 09.30 to 13.00

**5th Conference at town council of Nea Propontida Municipality (Greece), including the Debate "Immigrants and their political rights".**

9.30: Registration of the participants.

10.00: Opening of the 5th Conference

- Institutional Greetings by *Ifigeneia Tsira*, from "Social Welfare Centre of Central Macedonia" (Greece); *Aurora Vieira*, Councillor of the Municipality of Gondomar; *Ana Machado*, Councillor of the Municipality of Gondomar; *Mário Tavares* and *Joaquim Figueiredo* (Project Managers).

#### **Debate "Immigrants and their political rights"**

Moderator: *Mário Tavares*, European Project Manager (Portugal)

Speakers:

- ❖ *Christian Sammut*, Mayor of Hamrum Municipality (Malta)
- ❖ *Nikolett Vamos*, from Dolinka Municipality (Slovakia)
- ❖ *Andreia Ferreira*, from Asociacion Xuvenil Vrenza (Spain)
- ❖ *Tino Celisi*, from Associazione Moving Europe (Italy)
- ❖ *Mário Tavares*, from Caravela - Associação para a Cidadania Europeia (Portugal)
- ❖ *Gabriel Popa*, from Primaria Comunei Poienarii de Arges (Romania)
- ❖ *Jure Kupresak*, from Udruga Gradjana Zagrebacke Dubrave i Sesveta (Croatia)
- ❖ *Andra Vanaga*, from Municipality of Kekavas (Latvia)
- ❖ *Sylwia Motyka*, from Municipality of kamionka wielka (Poland)
- ❖ *Lea Vutt*, from Municipality of Valga (Estonia)
- ❖ *Asta Kiziene*, from Municipality of Kelme (Lithuania)
- ❖ *Cservolgyne Urban*, from Municipality of Pásztó (Hungary)
- ❖ *Stelyana Boneva*, from Municipality of Tryavna (Bulgaria)
- ❖ *Lidija Kuzumov*, from Municipality of Kavadarci (Northern Macedonia)
- ❖ *Romana Zackova*, from OBLASTNI SPOLEK Českého červeného kříže Ústí nad Orlicí (Czech Republic)
- ❖ *Ifigeneia Tsira*, from Social Welfare Centre of Central Macedonia (Greece)
- ❖ *Pascale Pompiere*, from Mouvement Europeen Martinique (France)
- ❖ *Rui Silva*, from Municipality of Ribeira Grande (Portugal)

12.20: Conclusion of the daily Session by *Ana Gomes*, Councillor of the Municipality of Gondomar

12:30: Question time / public Debate, questions about the issues under discussion

Afternoon: Cultural visits to the historic and artistic heritage of Nea Propontida

**27 April of 2022 Wednesday - 2nd Day of Conference – from 09.30 to 13.00**

**6th Conference in Thessaloniki at Telogleion Institution (Greece), including the roundtable "Migration and human rights: the current situation at Europe's borders".**

9.30: Registration of the participants.

10.00: Opening of the 6th Conference

- Institutional Greetings by *Ifigeneia Tsira*, from "Social Welfare Centre of Central Macedonia" (Greece); *Aurora Vieira*, Councillor of the Municipality of Gondomar; *Ana Machado*, Councillor of the Municipality of Gondomar; *Mário Tavares* and *Joaquim Figueiredo* (Project Managers).

#### **Roundtable "Migration and human rights: the current situation at Europe's borders"**

Moderator: *Mário Tavares*, European Project Manager (Portugal)

Speakers:

- ❖ *Christian Sammut*, from Municipality of Hamrum (Malta)
- ❖ *Robert Vamos*, from Dolinka Municipality (Slovakia)
- ❖ *José Neira Picallo*, from Asociacion Xuvenil Vrenza (Spain)
- ❖ *Ariana Talio*, from Associazione Moving Europe (Italy)
- ❖ *Joaquim Figueiredo*, from Caravela - Associação para a Cidadania Europeia (Portugal)
- ❖ *Paula Popa*, from Primaria Comunei Poienarii de Arges (Romania)
- ❖ *Sandra cavar*, from Udruga Gradjana Zagrebacke Dubrave i Sesveta (Croatia)
- ❖ *Liga Seja*, from Municipality of Kekavas (Latvia)
- ❖ *Jaroslaw Strojny*, from Municipality of kamionka wielka (Poland)
- ❖ *Anni Teetsmann*, from Municipality of Valga (Estonia)
- ❖ *Indre Cerkauskiene*, from Municipality of Kelme (Lithuania)
- ❖ *Csilla Cservolgyi*, from Municipality of Pásztó (Hungary)
- ❖ *Greta Tsaneva*, from Municipality of Tryavna (Bulgaria)
- ❖ *Jasminka Chuleva*, from Municipality of Kavadarci (Northern Macedonia)
- ❖ *Blanka Vomackova*, from OBLASTNI SPOLEK Českého červeného kříže Ústí nad Orlicí (Czech Republic)
- ❖ *Stylianos Kampouris*, from Social Welfare Centre of Central Macedonia (Greece)
- ❖ *Sandra Valentin*, from Mouvement Europeen Martinique (France)
- ❖ *Rui Lucas*, from Municipality of Ribeira Grande (Portugal)

12.20: Conclusion of the daily Session by *Aurora Vieira*, Councillor of the Municipality of Gondomar

12:30: Question time / public Debate, questions about the issues under discussion

Afternoon:

Cultural time with a Walking visit to the historic Town of Thessaloniki.

Evening: Multiethnic Dinner - The Table of Cultures: Food, Traditions and Migrations

Ceremony of greeting of the delegations. Interventions by local and international public authorities in the presence of citizens. Planning of the 4th Event to be held in Taormina (Sicily, Italy) - Discussion in plenary and open discussion.

Final Evaluation and group reflection.

#### **28 April of 2022 Thursday**

Departure of the international delegations.

#### **Event 4**

**Participation:** The event involved 92 citizens, including 39 international participants and 53 local participants. The 53 local participants who attended the event were 28 from the city of Castelmola and 25 from the city of Forza D'Agrò (Taormina, Italy).

The 39 international participants as following:

- 4 participants from the city of Gondomar (Portugal)
- 2 participants from the city of Hamrum (Malta)
- 3 participants from the city of Dolinka (Slovakia)
- 3 participants from the city of Teo (Spain)
- 2 participants from the Poienarii de Arges (Romania)
- 2 participants from the city of Zagreb (Croatia)
- 2 participants from the city of Kekavas (Latvia)
- 2 participants from the city of kamionka wielka (Poland)
- 2 participants from the city of Valga (Estonia)
- 2 participants from the city of Kelme (Lithuania)
- 2 participants from the city of Pásztó (Hungary)
- 2 participants from the city of Tryavna (Bulgaria)
- 2 participants from the city of Kavadarci (Northern Macedonia)
- 2 participants from the city of Orlicí (Czech Republic)
- 2 participants from the city of Nea Propontida (Greece)
- 3 participants from the city of Fort de France (France)
- 2 participants from the city of Ribeira Grande (Portugal)



**Location / Dates:** The event took place in Castelmola/Forza d'Agrò (Taormina, Italy), from 11 to 14 May 2022.

**Short description:** The aim of the event was to create a thematic Network of Towns for raising awareness about priority matters linked to Migration, integration and Social Inclusion, fight against marginalization and the stigmatization of migrants.

The Topics discussed during the third event was "Women, migration and gender equality"; "Migration crisis, good and bad practices in promoting cultural and social equality".

The fourth event, held in Castelmola/Forza d'Agrò (Italy) was conducted through Thematic Conferences, public debates, diffusion and exchange of the best practices, comparison, round table, case studies, interactive workshops, life stories learned from the interview of migrants and view documentary, evaluation, dissemination and Networking for the Future.

The activities scheduled fostered a sense of ownership of the EU policies and promoted active participation, to build a tighter-knit Europe, according to the principles of active citizenship and participatory democracy.

All participants were actively involved in the development of a constructive dialogue on the topics, creating open debates and discussions through moments of question time and non-formal activities. It was kept in constant consideration the principle of non-discrimination, with particular attention to the inclusion of difficult groups and disadvantaged people.

The activities aimed to reflect the needs and requirements of the participants, in line with the general and specific objectives of the program and the project, to promote new strategies in active participation of citizens, cultural diversity, intercultural dialogue, participation in the democratic process, debate on the Future of EU and social cohesion.

Therefore, participants have been encouraged to exchange opinions and best practices with the aim to formulate new ideas and concrete future proposals. At the closure of the event there was a final Evaluation and group reflection in order to receive the feedback from the participants.

#### **Program of the Fourth Event in Italy:**

**11 May of 2022 Wednesday** - Arrivals and Accommodation of the international participants. Accommodation in Taormina at "Hotel Antares" (Italy).

WELCOME CEREMONY, opening of proceedings, and institutional greetings by the representatives of the entities involved.

**12 May of 2022 Thursday** - 1st Day of Conference – from 9.30 to 13.00

**7th Conference at Auditorium of Castelmola (Italy), including the Round Table**

**"Women, migration and gender equality".**

9.30: Registration of the participants.

10.00: Opening of the 7th Conference

- Institutional Greetings by *Agatino Celisi*, from from Associazione Moving Europe (Italy); *Marco Martins*, Mayor of Gondomar Municipality; *Aurora Vieira*, Councillor of the Municipality of Gondomar; *Mário Tavares* and *Bruno Tavares* (Project Managers).

#### **Round Table "Women, migration and gender equality"**

Moderator: *Mário Tavares*, European Project Manager (Portugal)

Speakers:

- ❖ *Carmen Borg*, from Hamrum Municipality (Malta)
- ❖ *Amalia Nagyova*, from Dolinka Municipality (Slovakia)
- ❖ *Manuel Seage*, from Asociacion Xuvenil Vrenza (Spain)
- ❖ *Tino Celisi*, from Associazione Moving Europe (Italy)
- ❖ *Bruno Tavares*, from Caravela - Associação para a Cidadania Europeia (Portugal)
- ❖ *Dragos Boncea*, Mayor of Poienarii de Arges Municipality (Romania)
- ❖ *Ivan Jedvaj*, from Udruga Gradjana Zagrebacke Dubrave i Sesveta (Croatia)
- ❖ *Ginta Logina*, from Municipality of Kekavas (Latvia)
- ❖ *Małgorzata Wójs*, from Municipality of kamionka wielka (Poland)
- ❖ *Piret Villemsen*, from Municipality of Valga (Estonia)
- ❖ *Asta Kiziene*, from Municipality of Kelme (Lithuania)
- ❖ *Cservolgyine Urban*, from Municipality of Pásztó (Hungary)
- ❖ *Stelyana Boneva*, from Municipality of Tryavna (Bulgaria)
- ❖ *Todor Efremov*, from Municipality of Kavadarci (Northern Macedonia)
- ❖ *Jana Endyšová*, from OBLASTNI SPOLEK Českého červeného kříže Ústí nad Orlicí (Czech Republic )
- ❖ *Ifigeneia Tsira*, from Social Welfare Centre of Central Macedonia (Greece)
- ❖ *Max Granier*, from Mouvement Europeen Martinique (France)
- ❖ *André Raposo*, from Municipality of Ribeira Grande (Portugal)

12.20: Conclusion of the daily Session by *Marco Martins*, Mayor of Gondomar Municipality

12:30: Question time / public Debate, questions about the issues under discussion

Afternoon: Cultural visits to the historic city of Taormina

**13 May of 2022 Friday** - 2nd Day of Conference – from 9.30 to 13.00

**8th Conference at Monastery of Forza D'Agrò (Italy), including the Conference**

**"Migration crisis, good and bad practices in promoting cultural and social equality".**

9.30: Registration of the participants.

10.00: Opening of the 8th Conference

- Institutional Greetings by *Agatino Celisi*, from from Associazione Moving Europe (Italy); *Marco Martins*, Mayor of Gondomar Municipality; *Aurora Vieira*, Councillor of the Municipality of Gondomar; *Mário Tavares* and *Bruno Tavares* (Project Managers).

**Conference "Migration crisis, good and bad practices in promoting cultural and social equality"**

Moderator: *Mário Tavares*, European Project Manager (Portugal)

Speakers:

- ❖ *Cynthia Tomasuolo*, from Hamrum Municipality (Malta)
- ❖ *Akos Nagy*, from Dolinka Municipality (Slovakia)
- ❖ *Marta Salvat*, from Asociacion Xuvenil Vrenza (Spain)
- ❖ *Beatrice Briguglio*, from Associazione Moving Europe (Italy)
- ❖ *Mário Tavares*, from Caravela - Associação para a Cidadania Europeia (Portugal)
- ❖ *Gabriel Popa*, Mayor of Poienarii de Arges Municipality (Romania)
- ❖ *Jasna Jedvaj*, from Udruga Gradjana Zagrebacke Dubrave i Sesveta (Croatia)
- ❖ *Agnese Katkevica*, from Municipality of Kekavas (Latvia)
- ❖ *Sylwia Motyka*, from Municipality of kamionka wielka (Poland)
- ❖ *Diana Asi*, from Municipality of Valga (Estonia)
- ❖ *Vilmantas Kizis*, from Municipality of Kelme (Lithuania)
- ❖ *Angelika Molnar*, from Municipality of Pásztó (Hungary)
- ❖ *Radostina Puhtova*, from Municipality of Tryavna (Bulgaria)
- ❖ *Sasho Moshev*, from Municipality of Kavadarci (Northern Macedonia)
- ❖ *Jaromíra Žáčková*, from OBLASTNI SPOLEK Českého červeného kříže Ústí nad Orlicí (Czech Republic)
- ❖ *Meropi Chatzioannou*, from Social Welfare Centre of Central Macedonia (Greece)
- ❖ *Annick Comier*, (Mayor of Fonds-Saint-Denis Municipality), from Mouvement Europeen Martinique (France)
- ❖ *André Pontes*, from Municipality of Ribeira Grande (Portugal)

12.20: Conclusion of the daily Session by *Aurora Vieira*, Councillor of the Municipality of Gondomar

12:30: Question time / public Debate, questions about the issues under discussion

Afternoon: Cultural visit of monuments and beauties of the Sicilian territory,  
visits to the historic GodFather Tour, Forza D'Agrò, Savoca & Giardini Naxos

Evening: Multiethnic Dinner - The Table of Cultures: Food, Traditions and Migrations

Ceremony of greeting of the delegations. Interventions by local and international public authorities in the presence of citizens. Planning of the 54th Event to be held in Krakow/Kamionka Wielka (Poland) from 30 June to 03 July 2022 - Discussion in plenary and open discussion.

Final Evaluation and group reflection.

**13 May of 2022 Saturday**

Departure of the international delegations.

#### **Event 5**

**Participation:** The event involved 94 citizens, including 37 international participants and 57 local participants. The 54 local participants who attended the event were 39 from the city of Kamionka Wielka and 18 from the city of Krakow (Poland).

The 37 international participants as following:

- 5 participants from the city of Gondomar (Portugal)
- 2 participants from the city of Hamrum (Malta)
- 2 participants from the city of Dolinka (Slovakia)
- 2 participants from the city of Teo (Spain)
- 2 participants from the city of Taormina (Italy)
- 2 participants from the Poienarii de Arges (Romania)
- 2 participants from the city of Zagreb (Croatia)
- 2 participants from the city of Kekavas (Latvia)
- 2 participants from the city of Valga (Estonia)
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- 2 participants from the city of Fort de France (France)
- 2 participants from the city of Ribeira Grande (Portugal)

**Location / Dates:** The event took place in Krakow/Kamionka Wielka (Poland) from 30 June to 03 July 2022.

**Short description:** The aim of the event was to create a thematic Network of Towns for raising awareness about priority matters linked to Migration, integration and Social Inclusion, fight against marginalization and the stigmatization of migrants.

The Topics discussed during the third event was "Xenophobia and racism in times of crisis ", "Local, regional and European migration policies: a common ground".

The fifth event, held in Krakow/Kamionka Wielka (Poland) was conducted through Thematic Conferences, public debates, diffusion and exchange of the best practices, comparison, round table, case studies, interactive workshops, life stories learned from the interview of migrants and view documentary, Evaluation, Dissemination and Networking for the Future.

The activities scheduled fostered a sense of ownership of the EU policies and promoted active participation, to build a tighter-knit Europe, according to the principles of active citizenship and participatory democracy.

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#### **Program of the Fifth Event in Poland:**

**30 June of 2022 Thursday** - Arrivals and Accommodation of the international participants. Accommodation in Krakow at "Ibis Krakow Centrum" (Poland).

WELCOME CEREMONY, opening of proceedings, and institutional greetings by the representatives of the entities involved.

**01 July of 2022 Friday** - Day of Conferences – from 9.30 to 13.00 and 14.30 to 16.30

**9th Conference at the Kamionka Wielka City Hall Auditorium (Poland), including 1st Session with Round Table "xenophobia and racism in times of crisis" and 2nd Session with the Conference "Local, regional and European migration policies: a common ground" .**

9.30: Registration of the participants.

10.00: Opening of the 9th Conference

- Institutional Greetings by Andrzej Stanek Mayor of the Municipality of Kamionka Wielka; *Luis Araujo*, Vice-Mayor of the Municipality of Gondomar; *Aurora Vieira*, Councillor of the Municipality of Gondomar; *Mário Tavares*, *Lígia Mota* and *João Diogo Tavares* (Project Managers).

#### **1st Session with Round Table "xenophobia and racism in times of crisis"**

Moderator: *Mário Tavares*, European Project Manager (Portugal)

Speakers:

Videoconference on this topic with the local expert Dr Joanna Malinowska, where the results of up-to-date field research on the subject were explained.

This was followed by a period of debate and interaction with the speaker.

12.20: Conclusion of the 1st Session by Luis Araujo, Vice-Mayor of the Municipality of Gondomar

12.30: Question time / public Debate, questions about the issues under discussion

Afternoon at 14.30:

#### **2nd Session with Conference "Local, regional and European migration policies: a common ground"**

Moderator: *João Diogo Tavares*, European Project Manager (Portugal)

Speakers:

- ❖ *John Zerafa*, from Hamrum Municipality (Malta)
- ❖ *Akos Nagy*, from Dolinka Municipality (Slovakia)
- ❖ *António Angueira* (Mayor of Padron Municipality), from Asociacion Xuvenil Vrenza (Spain)
- ❖ *Matteo Francilia*, (Mayor of Per Furci Municipality), from Associazione Moving Europe (Italy)
- ❖ *Lígia Mota*, from Caravela - Associação para a Cidadania Europeia (Portugal)

- ❖ *Elena Gromsen*, from Municipality of *Poienarii de Arges (Romania)*
- ❖ *Denis Kanc*, from *Udruga Gradjana Zagrebacke Dubrave i Sesveta (Croatia)*
- ❖ *Aiva Vancane*, from Municipality of *Kekavas (Latvia)*
- ❖ *Sylwia Motyka*, from Municipality of *kamionka wielka (Poland)*
- ❖ *Mare Raid*, from Municipality of *Valga (Estonia)*
- ❖ *Vilmantas Kizis*, from Municipality of *Kelme (Lithuania)*
- ❖ *Genye Dorottya*, from Municipality of *Pásztó (Hungary)*
- ❖ *Daniela Koseva*, from Municipality of *Tryavna (Bulgaria)*
- ❖ *Aleksandra Denevska*, from Municipality of *Kavadarci (Northern Macedonia)*
- ❖ *Jiří Preclík*, from *OBLASTNI SPOLEK Českého červeného kříže Ústí nad Orlicí (Czech Republic )*
- ❖ *Eleftheria Georgoulea*, from *Social Welfare Centre of Central Macedonia (Greece)*
- ❖ *Emile Gabriel*, from *Mouvement Europeen Martinique (France)*
- ❖ *Mónica Medeiros*, from Municipality of *Ribeira Grande (Portugal)*

16.20: Conclusion of the 1st Session by *Aurora Vieira*, Councillor of the Municipality of Gondomar

16:30: Question time / public Debate, questions about the issues under discussion

17.00: Cultural visit to the monuments and landscape of Kamionka Wielka

### **02 July of 2022 Saturday**

Morning: Walking visit to the historic Town of Crakow

Afternoon: Free Time

Evening: Multiethnic Dinner - The Table of Cultures: Food, Traditions and Migrations

Ceremony of greeting of the delegations. Interventions by local and international public authorities in the presence of citizens. Final Evaluation and group reflection.

**A farewell with joy and willingness to do projects together again!**

### **03 July of 2022 Sunday**

Departure of the international delegations.