

EVENT DESCRIPTION SHEET

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PROJECT	
Project name and acronym:	[LOCAL GREEN DEALS: OUR MUNICIPALITIES FOR THE GREEN TRANSITION WE 4 GREEN] Ref N. 101138490 - CERV-2023-CITIZENS-TOWN-NT
Participant:	[COMUNE DI OTTIGLIO] (OTTIGLIO - ITALY)
PIC number:	883830342

EVENT DESCRIPTION	
Event number:	Deliverable D1.1 – WE4GREEN EVENT
Event name:	EVENT 1 – Training Meeting in Cyprus on Green transition, climate changes and EU Green Deal (WP1)
Type:	[Network of Towns Event 1: training activities and study visits]
In situ/online:	<i>/in-situ</i>
Location:	[CYPRUS)], [PLATRES]
Date(s):	[11 – 12 - 13- April 2024]
Website(s) (if any):	Facebook: https://www.facebook.com/We4Green-Project
Participants	
Female:	11
Male:	15
Non-binary:	0
From country 1 [ITALY Ottiglio Municipality]:	2
From country 1 [ITALY Cella Monte Municipality]:	1
From country 1 [ITALY Camagna Monferrato Municipality]:	1
From country 1 [ITALY Ozzano Monferrato Municipality]:	1
From country 1 [ITALY Rosignano Monferrato Municipality]:	1
From country 1 [ITALY Sala Monferrato Municipality]:	1
From country 2 [POLAND Suwalki City Municipality]:	2

From country 3 [LATVIA Jelgava Local Municipality]:	2	
From country 4 [Spain La Palma del Condado Municipality]:	2	
From country 5 [Cyprus Platres Community Council]:	13	
Total number of participants:	26	From total number of countries: 5

Description
Provide a short description of the event and its activities.

WP1 - EVENT 1 – Training Meeting in Cyprus on Green transition, climate changes and EU Green Deal
D1.1 – WE4GREEN EVENT 1

Place: Platres in Cyprus. Organized by Platres Community Council in situ.
Lead Beneficiary: **KOINOTIKO SYMVOULIO PLATRON – Platres Community Council** (PIC N 939538994)
Dates of the event: **11 – 12- 13- April 2024**
Number of countries involved: 4 foreign countries (Italy, Poland, Latvia, Spain) + 1 in situ (Cyprus).
Number of individual direct participants: **26**
Number of invited/international participants per country:
Tot. foreign participants: 13.
from IT = 7 (2 Ottiglio, 1 Cella Monte, 1 Rosignano, 1 Camagna, 1 Ozzano, 1 Sala Municipalities)
from LV = 2
from ES = 2
from PL = 2
Number of local participants from CY= 13.

Brief description of the Event 1:
The project has been approved by the European Commission under the call 2023 NETWORK OF TOWNS. The WE4GREEN activities will be carried out over 24 months: from December 1, 2023 until the end of November 2025.
Members of the partnership are: Poland - **Suwalky City Municipality**, Latvia - **Jelgava Local Municipality**, Cyprus - **Platres Community Council**, Spain - **La Palma del Condado Municipality**; Italy - **Ottiglio, Camagna Monferrato, Rosignano Monferrato, Sala Monferrato, Ozzano Monferrato and Cella Monte Municipalities**.

The project endorses the creation of relationships, collaborations, twinning and exchanges between the 10 Municipalities from the 5 different countries, strengthens mutual understanding, developing a sense of belonging to the European Union. WE4GREEN took inspiration from the EU Green Deal, Europe's growth strategy for a modern, resource-efficient and competitive economy. To create the first zero-carbon continent in the world by 2050.
The transnational project allows the 10 Municipalities and their citizens, to activate events, debates, meetings for the green topics, actions for fighting the climate change and the environmental sustainability.
The Municipality of Ottiglio (Lead Partner) and all the partner municipalities have the opportunity to explore topics such as the Green transition, the circular economy, applied renewable energies, sustainable waste management and the fight against climate change from local perspectives. The main project aim is to develop Local Green Deals - Local green pacts at any municipal level: a tailor-made local action plan to accelerate and expand the green transition of every single territory involved in the 5 European countries.

The workplan foresees **5 Work packages** with **five WPs** dedicated to events, visits and training: 3 events in situ & 2 online.

The 10 participating organisations worked hard for preparing the Event n. 1° of the WE4GREEN Project. With the approval of the European Commission, the 1st Training Event has been held in **Cyprus** in the dates of **11-12-13 April 2024**, as arranged with the EU project Officer.

The participants from **Italy, Poland, Spain and Latvia** arrived in **Cyprus** in April 10 and/or April

11 early morning. They were hosted in **Platres**. The Event was organised by the **PLATRES COMMUNITY COUNCIL**. Intensive training days, working on EU Green Deal and green transition issues, have been realized, and the foreign participants, together with the local beneficiaries, enjoyed the green beauties of Troodos Mountain and the Geopark.

The Event 1 agenda was realized as follows:

DAY 1 April 11, 2024

The participants from Italy, Poland, Spain and Latvia arrived in Platres (transfer by bus from Larnaca). The ten Municipalities Representatives were welcomed at the Forest Park Hotel.

Then the WE4GREEN training EVENT 1, held at the headquarters of Platres Council, scheduled the Welcome Ceremony at the George Seferis Conference Room at the Cultural Centre (with a brunch).

Panayiotis Papadopoulos, President of the Platres Community Council, warmly welcomed the participants and presented the general overview of the project and of Event 1 program.

Massimo Pasciuta, Coordinator of WE4GREEN project, joined him in presenting the green purposes of the project.

Then the *DAY 1* activities, predicted in the agenda, were: the presentations of the project expected results, of the 5 involved territories of the 5 Countries (with slides and videos), a focus on the European Green Deal main topics ("*Transforming the EU Economy for a sustainable future*"), a debate with in-depth information.

The day ended for the participants at the Kallithea Inn (green Hotel), tasting local delightful flavours.

DAY 2 April 12, 2024

The *DAY 2* started with the training for the participants at the George Seferis Conference Room at the Cultural Centre. Presentation of Platres Community Council Projects & Best Practices for green transition, and their impact on the rural community. Among this: "*Schemes & Incentives to go Green. R4C and the impact on rural communities in Cyprus, by Cyprus Energy Agency*" by Panayiotis Papadopoulos.

Then the special presentation by Yioula Michaelidou Papakyriacou, Director of Troodos Network of Thematic Centers, on "*Regenerative Green tourism. Lavender, Circular Economy & Ecological Products*", and the "Green Skills- Capacity building workshop".

Later, the Study Visit in the Green Heart of Cyprus: the participants visited the "Troodos National Park – Natura 2000" Information Centre (at that point, lunch in Hotel in the National Park) and then a meeting with the Director of the Troodos Regional Tourism Board (with presentation about Hiking and Biking Trails, with slides and video).

The activities continued with the visit to Kyperounda Village, meeting some local artisans and entrepreneurs careful about green and sustainable aspects.

DAY 3 April 13, 2024

Meeting in early morning at the George Seferis Conference Room at the Cultural Centre. The training of *DAY 3* has been addressed to the main project management aspects by the WE4GREEN Project Manager. Then the training focused on other Green cases, sharing best practices. Among these the presentation by Paris Nikolaou, Manager for MaaS Lab & Moby X Software Ltd (on "*Green Rural Mobilities*").

After that, the delegates walked to the village, in Platres, on studying the Green Mobility Hub of Platres & Green Recycling Hubs, with presentation of past initiatives and funds obtained.

Then, lovely lunch at the Historic New Helvetia Hotel in the middle of the woods.

The next and final activity was dedicated to the Laboratory (again at the Cultural Centre) on Bubble Bee Hotels. Learning about Bees-Pollination & Solidarity Bees and on the impact of Bee Hotels in creating a green culture for all ages. Closing comments.

At the end of day, the final Dinner.

Saying goodbye, the participants agreed to meet each other in presence in Monferrato area (Italy) for the Event 2, fixed on 5-6-7 October 2024.

Return home of the delegates.

With the Event 1 the participants acquired competences on the project topics, and will be the speakers/energisers at the following events and the satellite actions at each Country level (transferability effect).

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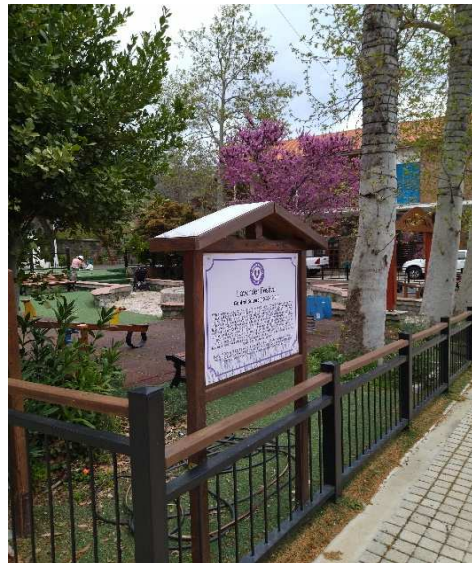
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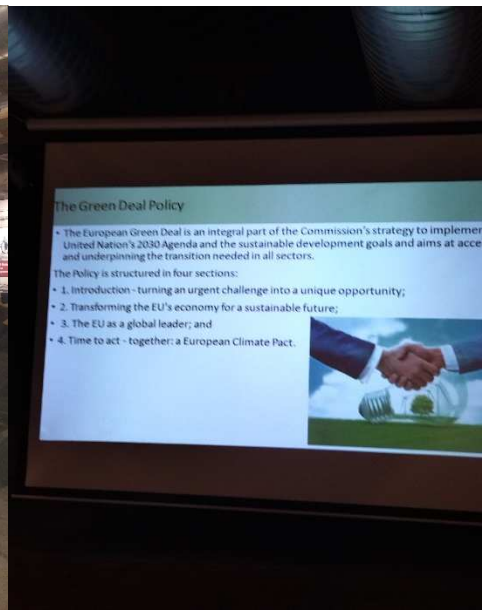
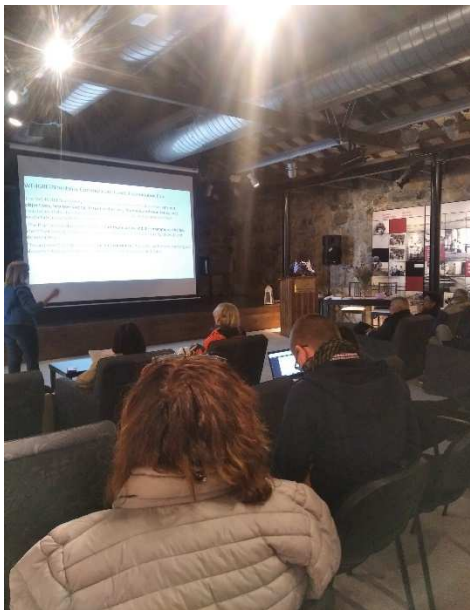
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HISTORY OF CHANGES		
VERSION	PUBLICATION DATE	CHANGE
1.0	01.04.2022	Initial version (new MFF).