EVENT DESCRIPTION SHEET

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PROJECT		
Participant:	KLUB SPORTOWY *BUDOWLANI*	
PIC number:	900771489	
Project name and acronym:	LOCALEUCHARTER	

EVENT DESCRIPTION		
Event number:	[7]	
Event name:	[EUROSCEPTICISM FROM A CLOSER APPROACH TO EU CITIZENS RIGHTS]	
Type:	[WORKSHOP, CONFERENCE]	
In situ/online:	[in-situ]	
Location:	[POLAND], [LODZ]	
Date(s):	[NOVEMBER 28-29, 2024]	
Website(s) (if any):	www.ksb-rugby.pl	
Participants		
Female:	18	
Male:	8	
Non-binary:	0	
From country 1 [Poland]:	14	
From country 2 [The Netherlands]:	0	
From country 3 [Spain]:	2	
From country 4 [Portugal]:	2	
From country 5 [Greece]:	2	
From country 6 [Italy]:	2	
From country 7 [Cyprus]:	2	
From country 8 [Romania]:	2	

Total number of participants: 26 From total number of countries: 7

Description

Provide a short description of the event and its activities.

Working Session 1: Euroscepticism - Overview and Approach from the Local Perspective

Date: 28.11.2023 Time: 10:00 – 13:00

Venue: B&B HOTEL Łódź Centrum (Conference Room)

Session Overview:

Euroscepticism, characterized by skepticism towards the European Union (EU) and its policies, has become a significant topic of discussion in recent years. This working session aims to provide a comprehensive overview of Euroscepticism, focusing on its manifestations, causes, and impacts at the local level. By examining the local perspective, participants will gain a nuanced understanding of how Euroscepticism affects communities and the measures that can be taken to address it.

Key Topics:

1. Definition and History of Euroscepticism:

Understanding Euroscepticism: What it is and how it has evolved.

Historical context: Key events and developments that have shaped Eurosceptic sentiments.

Manifestations of Euroscepticism:

Political: How Euroscepticism influences local and national politics.

Social: The impact on social cohesion and community attitudes towards the EU.

Economic: Perceived and real economic implications of EU membership that fuel Eurosceptic views.

3. Local Case Studies:

Presentation of specific case studies from the Łódź region.

Analysis of local Eurosceptic movements, their leaders, and their agendas.

The role of local media in shaping public opinion on the EU.

4. Factors Contributing to Local Euroscepticism:

Economic disparities: The role of economic inequality and unemployment.

Cultural identity: Concerns about cultural erosion and loss of national sovereignty.

Political disenchantment: Distrust in political institutions and elites.

5. Approaches to Addressing Euroscepticism:

Community engagement: Strategies to foster a positive dialogue about the EU. Education and information: Initiatives to improve understanding of the EU's benefits. Policy measures: Local government policies aimed at addressing the root causes of Euroscepticism.

Speakers:

Local Politicians and Community Leaders: Sharing insights on how Euroscepticism is perceived and addressed in their constituencies.

Academics and Researchers: Presenting findings from studies on Euroscepticism and its local impacts.

EU Representatives: Discussing the EU's efforts to counter Euroscepticism and promote a more inclusive European identity.

Objectives:

- To provide participants with a detailed understanding of Euroscepticism from a local perspective.
- 2. To identify and discuss the specific factors driving Euroscepticism in the Łódź region.
- 3. To explore effective strategies and approaches for combating Euroscepticism at the community level.
- 4. To foster a collaborative environment where participants can share experiences and best practices.

Outcomes:

- 1. Enhanced awareness of the complexities and nuances of Euroscepticism.
- Practical insights and strategies for local leaders to address Euroscepticism in their communities.
- 3. Strengthened networks among participants to support ongoing efforts in combating

Euroscepticism.

This working session aims to equip participants with the knowledge and tools necessary to effectively engage with and address Euroscepticism in their local contexts, ultimately contributing to a more united and resilient European community.

13:00 Lunch

14:00 - 15:30 Venue: EC 1 (Targowa 1/3, 90-022 Łódź), Guided Tour of Łódź

15:30 – 16:00 Venue: Manufaktura (Drewnowska 54, 91-002 Łódź), Visit to Manufaktura – Example of Revitalization of Industrial Space

Working Session 2: EU Charter of Fundamental Rights as a Means to Combat Euroscepticism

Date: 29.11.2023 Time: 9:15 – 11:15

Venue: B&B HOTEL Łódź Centrum (Conference Room)

Session Overview:

This session will focus on the LocalEUCharter of Fundamental Rights and its role in combating Euroscepticism. By highlighting the fundamental rights guaranteed to all EU citizens, the session aims to demonstrate how these rights can be used to address and mitigate Eurosceptic sentiments.

Key Topics:

1. Introduction to the EU Charter of Fundamental Rights:

Overview of the Charter.

Key principles and articles.

2. Euroscepticism and Fundamental Rights:

How a lack of awareness about these rights contributes to Euroscepticism.

The importance of promoting these rights to counter negative perceptions of the EU.

3. Practical Applications:

Case studies showing the Charter's impact on protecting citizens' rights.

Examples of how the Charter has been used to resolve issues at the local level.

- 4. Strategies for Promoting the Charter:
- Educational initiatives to increase awareness.
- Community engagement activities.
- Collaboration with local organizations to advocate for fundamental rights.

Speakers:

EU Legal Experts: Explaining the Charter and its significance.

Community Activists: Sharing experiences of using the Charter in their work.

Educators and Trainers: Discussing methods to educate the public about their rights.

Objectives:

- 1. To educate participants about the EU Charter of Fundamental Rights.
- 2. To explore the relationship between fundamental rights and Euroscepticism.
- 3. To provide practical strategies for promoting these rights at the local level.
- 4. To foster a collaborative environment for sharing best practices.

Outcomes:

- 1. Increased understanding of the EU Charter of Fundamental Rights.
- 2. Practical knowledge of how to use the Charter to combat Euroscepticism.
- 3. Enhanced strategies for educating communities about their rights.
- 4. Stronger networks among participants for ongoing collaboration.

This session aims to empower participants with the knowledge and tools needed to promote the LocalEUCharter of Fundamental Rights as a means to counteract Euroscepticism in their communities.

Working Session 3: Local Initiatives, Strategies, and Best Practices to Promote EU Citizen Rights

Date: 29.11.2023 Time: 11:30 – 13:00

Venue: B&B HOTEL Łódź Centrum (Conference Room)

Session Overview: This session focuses on local initiatives, strategies, and best practices aimed at promoting EU citizen rights. Participants will learn about successful local projects and approaches that have effectively raised awareness and protected the rights of EU citizens.

Key Topics:

1. Introduction to Local Initiatives:

Overview of various local projects aimed at promoting EU citizen rights.

Importance of local action in the broader context of the EU.

2. Successful Strategies and Best Practices:

Case studies of effective local initiatives.

Analysis of what made these initiatives successful.

3. Community Engagement:

Techniques for engaging local communities in promoting EU rights.

Role of local NGOs and community groups.

4. Policy and Advocacy:

Strategies for influencing local policy to protect and promote EU citizen rights.

Collaboration with local governments and policymakers.

5. Education and Outreach:

Educational programs designed to inform citizens about their rights.

Use of media and technology to reach wider audiences.

Speakers:

Local NGO Representatives: Sharing experiences from successful local initiatives.

Community Leaders: Discussing strategies for effective community engagement.

Policy Experts: Offering insights on local policy advocacy.

Objectives:

- 1. To highlight successful local initiatives promoting EU citizen rights.
- 2. To share strategies and best practices that can be replicated in other communities.
- 3. To provide practical tools for community engagement and education.
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Outcomes:

- 1. Greater awareness of effective local initiatives and strategies.
- 2. Practical knowledge and tools for promoting EU citizen rights at the local level.
- 3. Enhanced collaboration and networking among participants.
- 4. Development of new ideas and projects inspired by shared best practices.

This session aims to equip participants with the knowledge and tools necessary to implement and support local initiatives that promote and protect EU citizen rights, fostering a more informed and engaged community.

14:00 Venue: Centrum OPU, Visit to Local NGO: Center for Promotion and Development of Citizen Initiatives OPUS.

14:00 - 16:00 Venue: B&B HOTEL Łódź Centrum (Conference Room)

Activity: Coordination Session by Lead Partner

This session, led by the project's lead partner Municipalité of Valencia, focuses on coordinating efforts and aligning strategies among all participating entities. The goal is to ensure a cohesive approach to the ongoing initiatives and projects, maximizing impact and efficiency. This coordination session aims to streamline efforts, foster collaboration, and ensure that all partners are working effectively towards the shared goals of the project.

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