



**CENTER FOR PEACE,  
NONVIOLENCE AND HUMAN  
RIGHTS - OSIJEK**

# **ANNUAL ACTIVITY REPORT**

**2023.**





## **Vision:**

sustainable peace

## **Values:**

respect for diversity  
humanity  
tolerance  
pluralism  
human rights  
personal responsibility  
pacifism  
gender equality  
non-violence.

## **Mission:**

building a society based on a culture of peace

## **Continuously:**

we build peace, protect and promote human rights and freedoms as well as creative methods of conflict resolution at the individual, group and political level. We stand for a conscious involvement in the construction of the European Union as a peace project and for assuming responsibility for the common destiny of humanity and planet Earth.





# Strategic areas



**Human rights and  
the rule of law**

**Building peace and  
a culture of  
nonviolence**

**Democratization  
and community  
development**

**Organizational  
development**

# **HUMAN RIGHTS AND THE RULE OF LAW**





# Free legal aid

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The project is financed by the Ministry of Justice and Administration based on the Agreement on the allocation of financial resources for the project of providing primary legal assistance from the State Budget of the Republic of Croatia.

For 30 years, the project has been the backbone of activities and other short-term projects in the program area of human rights and the rule of law: provision of free legal aid for socially sensitive groups of citizens in the area of Osijek-Baranja County and beyond; establishing a stimulating environment for achieving the highest standards of human rights and advocating anti-discrimination policies.

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*legal advisers*

4

*offices*

*Osijek*

*Beli manastir*

*Kneževi vinogradi*

*Daruda*

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*volunteers*

# Carried out activities:

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**We ensured the availability of free legal aid for a total of 1104 citizens.**

**We recorded** inquiries and provided free legal assistance from the following legal categories: social rights, family law, housing, enforcement law, pension law, labor law, secondary free legal aid, property law, status rights, health insurance, inheritance law, integration of foreign workers, domestic violence, discrimination, debt cancellation and other inquiries.

**We signed** contracts with 5 volunteers from the Faculty of Law in Osijek.

**We created** a program for mentoring volunteers for the BPP service, which we created in cooperation with the Faculty of Law in Osijek, as part of which we trained two mentors for volunteers. The developed program is available for use by other authorized associations and legal clinics that plan to include volunteers in their work, and it is the first such program developed in Croatia.





**We contributed** to easier access to the judiciary, i.e. the court and administrative bodies through free legal aid to socially vulnerable and marginalized groups, civilian victims.

**The exchange of experience** on practices and potential opportunities and obstacles to the spread of the concept of citizen consultation through the provision of information, legal advice and direct legal assistance to citizens was initiated.

Institutions and the professional public **were informed** about the monitoring of the realization of human rights in specific legal areas based on the monitoring of individual cases.

The level of awareness of pensioners and social welfare beneficiaries about their rights in Osijek and Osijek-Baranja County **has been raised**.







The campaign is aimed at informing citizens about the existence of the Law on Free Legal Aid, providing them with information on the possibilities and methods of exercising the right to free legal aid and promoting legal literacy.

**The main objectives of the campaign:**

**Informing citizens:** We want to inform and educate citizens about the possibility and method of exercising the right to free legal aid in accordance with the current Law on Free Legal Aid.

**Support for marginalized groups:** The campaign is especially aimed at people from marginalized groups: pensioners, unemployed people, homeless people, people with disabilities, victims of violence, members of national minorities, refugees and migrants.

**Promotion of legal literacy:** We are actively working to raise the level of legal literacy among citizens, providing them with information that will help them make informed decisions.

The campaign is carried out in cooperation with the Law Clinic of the Faculty of Law in Osijek - OSIJEK PRO BONO.

Together we build an informed society!

**\*The project is financed by the Ministry of Justice and Administration of the Republic of Croatia.**



# The work of foreigners

Problems faced by foreign workers, such as the language barrier, lack of knowledge and ignorance regarding the deadlines and processes for obtaining the required residence and work permits, ignorance of their rights and obligations from employment relationships, acceptance of poor working and living conditions offered by their employer. For example, there are frequent cases of workers from third countries whose employer provides free accommodation in which they do not have basic freedom and the right to a dignified life - for example housing 10 or more workers in one room.

Pursuant to the Ordinance on the residence of citizens of third countries in the Republic of Croatia (Official Gazette 20/22), articles 47 and 48 prescribe which accommodation is appropriate for seasonal workers and what the conditions for the accommodation of workers are, while in art. 28 of the Labor Law stipulates that the employer is obliged to take care of the protection of the life, health and morals and religion of the workers if he has the obligation to ensure their accommodation and food. We have recorded a number of cases of violation of these provisions. According to our knowledge, the State Inspectorate does not control, or does not control to a sufficient extent, compliance with the aforementioned provisions. Because of the above, there are frequent situations where foreign workers "run away" from the employer, who in these cases deregisters them at the competent police station and cancels the employment contract. **We recorded the case of the disappearance or escape of 15 foreign workers from Bangladesh in the area of Baranja, then 13 foreign workers from Bangladesh and India (Osijek area), the case of the escape of 4 Nepali citizens (who subsequently contacted us from Portugal) and a number of other similar cases. In these cases, foreign workers become "invisible workers" without a registered residence permit and work permit.**



Related to the case from Osijek and the factory **Drava international d.o.o.** which employs 117 foreign workers, of whom 113 are citizens of Nepal, 1 is from India, and 3 are citizens of Ukraine. Immediately after the fire broke out in the aforementioned factory, **we reacted to the unconditional and inadequate accommodation of foreign workers.** Namely, according to the information we have, before and during the outbreak of the fire, the workers were housed within the factory in mobile accommodation units. The morning after the fire broke out, all the workers were moved by bus to the sports hall in Osijek, only to be returned to the factory district, where they are still located today.

After the fire broke out in the mentioned factory, **the Center for Peace - Osijek made an urgent appeal to the competent authorities to provide foreign workers employed by the company Drava International with adequate conditions for dignified accommodation, taking into account their status and marginalized position.** We also appealed to them to inform them in a timely and complete manner about the current situation in their native language, since these are people who do not speak Croatian, nor do they speak English well. Taking responsibility for this event is not only a moral obligation, but also a crucial step towards ensuring that similar incidents do not happen again in the future. The safety of citizens and workers must always come first, regardless of the circumstances.

**We have been pointing out the problem of accommodation of foreign workers by the employer and the inadequate regulation of this area by positive legal regulations for several years.**

We noticed that the problem is hidden in a change of employer or after the expiration of the foreign worker's residence and work permit..



If they do not immediately find a new employer who will start the legal procedure for obtaining a residence and work permit, they become "invisible workers" without any protection and rights, and the vast majority of them without enough funds to return to their country of origin, for example Nepal, which is approx. 6000 km away from Croatia. According to the information we have and which we obtained in direct contact with foreign workers in Croatia, after they stop working for one employer, they should find a new one or leave Croatia within 15 days. In cases where citizens of third countries are several thousand kilometers away, the deadline for finding and leaving Croatia is 30 days. This information was confirmed by the MUP in a telephone conversation. Here we also point out that Article 95 of the Aliens Act states that in the event of termination of the employment contract or change of circumstances, the employer and employee are obliged to inform the MUP within 15 days of the above.

The problem we also want to point out is the work of the Agency for Employment of Foreign Workers. Stricter control of their work is needed in order to protect foreign workers in the employment process.

# APEL ZA ZAŠTITU PRAVA STRANIH RADNIKA U OSIJEKU



CENTAR ZA MIR, NENASILJE  
I LJUDSKA PRAVA - OSIJEK

# Free legal assistance to citizens of Ukraine who have temporary protection in Croatia

In April 2023, **a legal adviser**, Ukrainian by nationality, joined our legal team, who, together with other members of the legal team, actively works to realize the rights of Ukrainians in the local community, but also more broadly, given that inquiries come from different parts of Croatia.

The largest number of inquiries relates to **the nostrification of foreign higher education qualifications**. We provide support in filling out requests, checking submitted documentation, and providing information on translation and certification of documents. We are communicating with the relevant institutions to speed up the nostrification process.

Due to the large number of parties who encounter problems related to labor rights, we try to educate them by organizing workshops where we want to familiarize them with labor rights in the Republic of Croatia.

In May 2023, we held a lecture in Split entitled **"Workers' rights in Croatia, with a focus on seasonal employment"**. The lecture was attended by 32 Ukrainians who have temporary protection in Croatia. Our goal is to empower Ukrainian citizens for the labor market through these activities.

In 2023, we provided legal assistance to a total of 142 parties of Ukrainian citizens.

Part of the parties' inquiries refers to status rights, housing, and seeking general legal information and advice.

**In our office, we provide support not only to citizens of Ukraine with approved temporary protection throughout Croatia, but also to all those who are under temporary protection in the territory of other EU member states.**



# Free legal assistance for families of Croatian citizens and their family members evacuated from the Gaza Strip

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Our office was contacted by 4 families of Croatian citizens and their family members who were **evacuated from the Gaza Strip** to Cairo and then to Zagreb at the beginning of November, to be precise on November 3, 2023.

Two families temporarily settled in the city of Vukovar, and two families in Virovitica. Families who are temporarily housed in Vukovar have contacted us regarding finding accommodation and assistance with regulating their status. There are a total of **22** people, of whom **18** are Croatian citizens and **4** are Palestinian citizens, **7** of whom are minor children.

All families registered with the competent Social Welfare Institute in order to obtain one-time assistance and start the procedure for obtaining the guaranteed minimum compensation, and adult members were registered with the competent employment institute. At the beginning of December, they were paid a one-time monetary compensation in the amount of 465 euros per family, and the first amount of the guaranteed minimum compensation was paid to each family only after the 20th of that December.

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Regarding health insurance, we would like to point out that not all people have yet exercised this right! We have informed the Ombudsman about the aforementioned, since it is a violation of the provisions of the Law on Compulsory Health Insurance (Article 9). Family members who are Palestinian citizens are obliged to pay their own health insurance contributions since their stay is regulated by the Aliens Law.

Families still have not resolved their housing issue, which is a major problem for them. Please note that immediately after their arrival, we contacted the City of Osijek, the City of Vukovar and the Ministry of Spatial Planning, Construction and State Property. All of them informed us that they do not have a legal basis for emergency housing care for the mentioned persons, while the mentioned cities also informed us that they currently have no available accommodation units. Because of the above, on November 30, 2023, we sent a request to the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Croatia for urgent intervention to make a decision on providing assistance in the reception and accommodation of citizens of the Republic of Croatia and their family members evacuated from the Gaza Strip.



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However, we have not received an official response, but we were informed by phone that they are not competent to initiate this decision and that we should contact the Ministry of Spatial Planning, Construction and State Property. We previously forwarded to the Ministry of Foreign Affairs our communication with the mentioned Ministry, from which it is evident that they are also calling on them to initiate the adoption of such a decision, which would be the legal basis for urgent housing care for these families, following the example of the decision made by the Government of the Republic of Croatia on May 12 2023 related to the care and reception of Croatian citizens evacuated from the Republic of Sudan. We also informed the Prime Minister of the Republic of Croatia about the above.

We emphasize that the mentioned families have informed us that they have received a written statement from the **Ministry of Foreign and European Affairs** of the **Republic of Croatia**, which they must sign as a guarantee that they undertake to return the amount of the plane tickets to the State Budget of the Republic of Croatia within 90 days. The amounts range from EUR 5,243.90 (for a family of six) to EUR 7,429.69 (for a family of eight), depending on the number of family members.

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We asked the Ministry of Foreign Affairs to issue **a decision on the complete release of the obligation to repay the loan in accordance with Article 14 b paragraph 4 of the Law on Foreign Affairs. We received the answer on January 23, 2024. year in which they inform us that the mentioned families are exempted from repaying the loan for the cost of evacuations and thank us for our work and contribution.**

Regarding the education and enrollment of school children (5 children) in primary (2 children) and secondary school (3 children) and two adult children in the Faculty of Electrical Engineering in Osijek (years 1 and 3), only one child who needs to be enrolled in grammar school speaks Croatian. and one student, while the others exclusively use Arabic and do not speak Croatian. At the time of writing this report, three children started school (1 to the gymnasium in Vukovar and two to elementary school in Vukovar). **We also informed the media about the aforementioned and held a press conference in front of the Government building of the Republic of Croatia..**





On Tuesday, December 19, 2023, a press conference was held in the organization of the Initiative for a Free Palestine, with the support of the Center for Peace, Nonviolence and Human Rights - Osijek. We discussed the difficult situation of 23 Croatian citizens evacuated from Gaza and sent requests to the Government of the Republic of Croatia.

The Ministry of Foreign Affairs promised debt forgiveness to Croatian citizens and their family members who were evacuated from Gaza at the beginning of November!

**On January 20, 2024, the Ministry of Foreign Affairs informed us that they granted our request and released Croatian citizens evacuated from the Gaza Strip from the obligation to repay the loan.**

**You can read the details of the decision in the journalist's report:** Al Jazeera Balkans, Marine Barukčić:  
<http://tinyurl.com/h8exywur>



# RELEASE

„Reducing the Excessive usage of pre-trial detention via  
hArmonisation & Support to altErnatives“ („RELEASE“)

The RELEASE project is implemented with the support of  
the European Union within the Justice Program (JUST).

October 2022 - September 2024

**Partneri:**

**Law and Internet Foundation LIF**

**Adam Mickiewicz University AMU**

**The Center for Security Studies (Kentro Meleton  
Asfaleias – KEMEA),**

**Hellenic Ministry of Justice GMJ**

**The Slovak National Centre for Human Rights  
(SNCHR)**

The project is focused on supporting the judiciary  
in EU member states, especially those located in  
Eastern Europe, to improve cooperation between  
authorities on pre-trial detention and facilitate the  
establishment of a common approach to the issue  
in this area.





# Implemented activities

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**IReport:** Analysis of judicial practice, statistical data and legislative framework for the member states of the consortium: Croatia, Bulgaria, Slovakia, Greece and Poland.

**Data collection and empirical research:** collection of data on topics such as statistics and jurisprudence in partner countries and the region, as well as research to identify gaps and needs.

**A document** has been created that summarizes the main observed shortcomings, problems and problem areas. The document includes good practices and recommendations on the topic of pretrial detention and appropriate alternatives (including special circumstances for their proper and effective application).

**A detailed questionnaire on the application of pre-trial detention and existing alternatives was elaborated.**

Divided among target groups, including judicial authorities, lawyers and prosecution.

**An analysis of the collected data and needs analysis was made.**

Created guidelines aimed at how national workshops and international seminars should be conducted: approaches and activities; how the participants will be divided into groups, the agenda for each event. The guidelines are also focused on the practical preparation of the event such as logistics, invitation of participants, preparation of materials.



# Work for the common good without compensation: Social (NOT) justice?!

The Impact4Values program is financed under the Union Program "Citizens, Equality, Rights and Values" (CERV).

Duration of the project: 01.09.2023. - 28.02.2025.

Partner: Center for Peace Studies

The project will strengthen the advocacy/watchdog role of civil society in the field of socio-economic rights with a focus on the welfare state shaped by the Law on Social Welfare.

The project will affect the obligation of users of guaranteed minimum compensation (ZMN) to participate in work for the common good without compensation, which is possibly discriminatory and contrary to economic and social rights and the constitutional principles of the Republic of Croatia. *to diskriminatorna i u suprotnosti s ekonomskim i socijalnim pravima te ustavnim načelima Republike Hrvatske.*

## Activities in implementation

Situational analysis on the measure of unpaid work for the common good

Analysis of international treaties and ECHR practice on the measure of work for the common good without compensation

Policy brief

Information campaign and advocacy

Informing and advising users of the guaranteed minimum compensation through direct work



# Implemented activities

We continuously **inform and advise users** of the guaranteed minimum compensation through direct work.

Information and advocacy campaign started.

As part of the project: "Work for the common good without compensation - social (NOT) justice?!" we held a press conference: The Social Welfare Act grossly violates the Constitution of the Republic of Croatia and international treaties - the Center for Peace and the Center for Peace Studies have submitted a proposal to the Constitutional Court for the evaluation of the constitutionality of the ZoSS provisions concerning the measure of unpaid work for the common good. (Art. 36, 37 and 38 of the Law on Social Welfare)

In December, two presentations were held - in the Rijeka ljubavi Osijek association and in the Beli Manastir community center on the topic: Work for the common good and the record of the real estate users of the guaranteed minimum fee.

The user response was significantly higher than expected, which indicated to us that this topic is of great importance.

We were guests in the podcast "Live Life" with the topic "**Work for the common good without compensation - social (in)justice?!"**



# Konferencija za medije: Zakon o socijalnoj skrbi grubo krši Ustav RH i međunarodne ugovore



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Potporna nevladinim organizacijama u promicanju europskih vrijednosti

Impact4Values program je slovensko-hrvatskog konzorcija u kojem su Centar za informiranje, s...



## ŽIVOT UŽIVO

Podcast 4: Rad za opće dobro bez naknade - socijalna (ne)pravda?!  
Gošća: Natalija Havelka

Život uživo #4 Rad za opće dobro bez naknade - socijalna (ne)pravda?! | Natalija Havelka



Kuća ljudskih prava Zagreb  
12 pretplatnika

Pretplati me

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Podijeli



## RAD ZA OPĆE DOBRO BEZ NAKNADE - SOCIJALNA (NE)PRAVDA!?



IMPACT  
VALUES

Sufinancira  
Europska unija

VLADA REPUBLIKE HRVATSKE  
Ured za udruge

CMS  
CENTAR ZA MIROVNE STUDIJE

CENTAR ZA NEVLADINOST I  
LJUDSKA PRAVA - HRVATSKA



# Public dialogue on the fate of the murdered and missing: we remember - and you?

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**Project holder: Documenta—Center for dealing with the Past**

**Partner: Center for Peace, Nonviolence and Human Rights, Osijek**

**Duration: 01.01.2021. - 31.12.2023.**

**The goal of the project is** to create a safer environment where people are ready to talk about their fates and the fates of the victims, thus encouraging the networking of different stakeholders at the local and national level, while at the same time seeking greater social understanding and institutional transparency.

Empowerment and strengthening of social and political support, as well as more effective search for the missing, recognition of the rights of the families of murdered and other civilian victims, and stronger prosecution of war crimes.

Through strengthened active citizenship, provide a better and more humane approach to the problems of war victims and the practices of the culture of memory in Croatia, through a series of different activities that include support for victims and survivors, public advocacy of the rights of civilian victims of war, better history lessons and empowering young people to face the past, and strong public advocacy in the form of crowdfunding and other smaller advocacy campaigns.



# Implemented activities

During 2023, the monitors of the two organizations monitored 64 first-instance criminal proceedings for war crimes before four competent county courts responsible for processing the most serious crimes: Osijek, Rijeka, Split and Zagreb.

Of the total number of first-instance criminal proceedings, 60 were conducted against members of the Serbian paramilitary and parapolice forces, 4 against members of the HV, MUP or HVO.

Out of the total number of criminal first-instance proceedings, 42 criminal first-instance proceedings were conducted in the absence of the defendant (unavailable to the judicial authorities of the Republic of Croatia). All criminal proceedings conducted in absentia are against members of the Serbian paramilitary and police forces.

Four competent courts issued 19 invalid judgments against 30 defendants. Of the total number of wrongfully convicted defendants, 16 defendants were wrongfully convicted, 10 defendants were wrongfully acquitted.

In 2023, the County Court in Osijek conducted 17 first-instance criminal proceedings for war crimes. Five criminal first-instance proceedings were conducted for the criminal offense of war crimes against prisoners of war, 12 criminal first-instance proceedings were conducted for the criminal offense of war crimes against the civilian population. All criminal first-instance proceedings were conducted in 2023 against members of the Serbian military and a couple of police forces.



# **A new beginning - sectoral innovations for a proactive, progressive and influential civil society for the protection and promotion of human rights**

## **Partners:**

Kuća ljudskih prava

Centar za mirovne studije

Inicijativa mladih za ljudska prava

Centar za mir, nenasilje i ljudska prava – Osijek

Human Rights House Foundation  
(Oslo, Norveška)

Duration: 01.04.2021. - 31.03.2024.

The goal of this project is to increase the social and political influence of civil society organizations in Croatia through the development of innovative ways to effectively protect and promote human rights. Over the past few years, Croatia has been facing a continuous decline in human rights and an increasingly difficult socioeconomic situation. At the same time, the institutions are inert and do not have enough capacity to design public policies, i.e. solutions for the problems of citizens based on human rights and for the increasingly complex political, social and economic challenges of today.



We conducted an internship program for 4 young lawyers for a duration of three months according to the internship program that we created as part of the implementation of the project "New Beginning: Sector sector innovations for a proactive, progressive and influential civil society for the protection and promotion of human Rights," supported through the Fund for active Citizenship with funds from Iceland, Liechtenstein and Norway within the EEA grants.

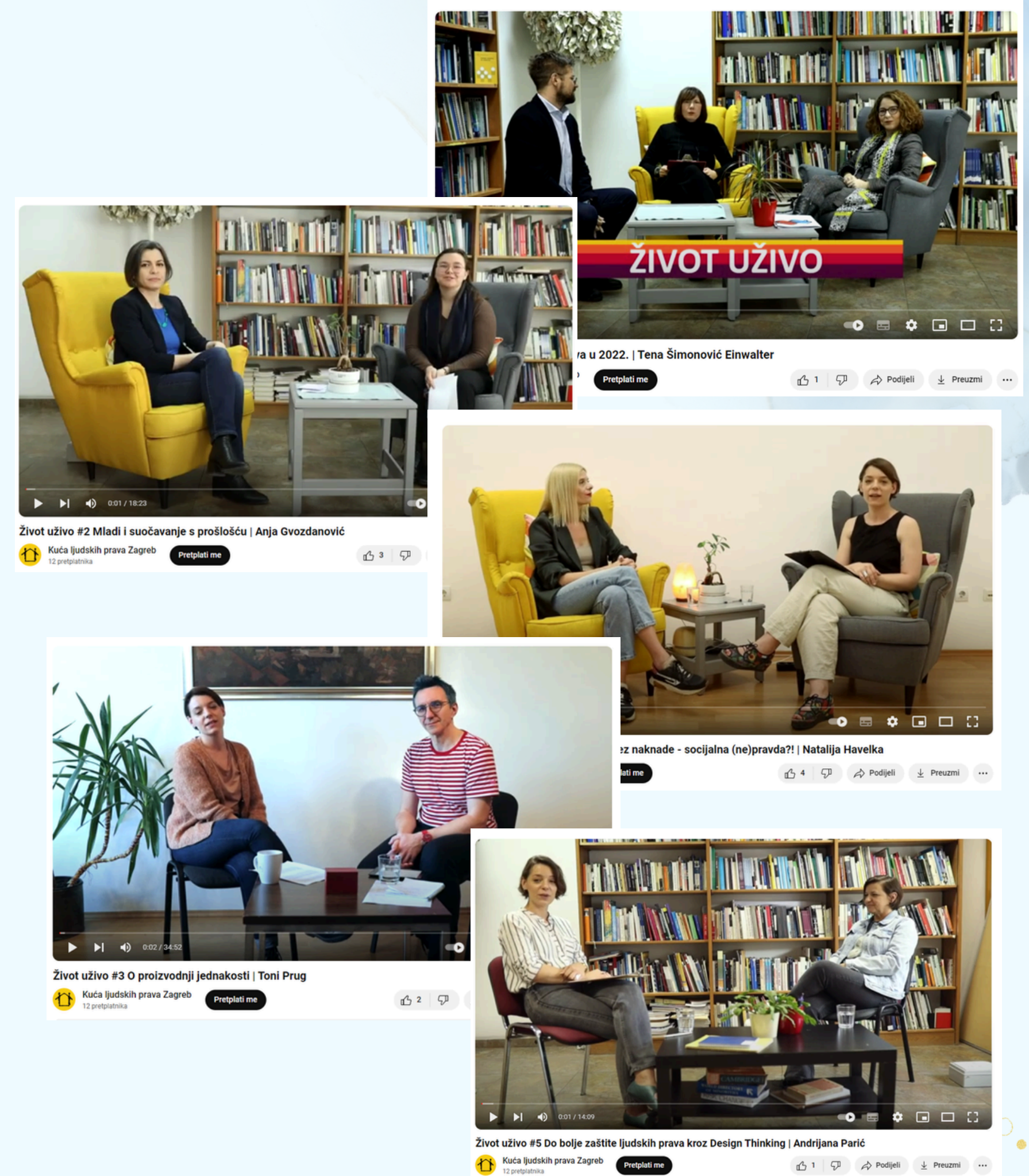
As part of the project, a 5-episode podcast called Život život was recorded.

**Topics: Human rights, Youth and dealing with the past, On the production of equality, Work for the common good without compensation and toward a better protection of human rights through Design thinking.**

The content of this podcast is the sole responsibility of the House of Human Rights, the Center for Peace Studies, the Center for Peace, Nonviolence, and Human Rights Osijek, and the Croatian Youth Initiative for Human Rights and does not necessarily reflect the views of the donor countries and the Fund Manager.

**Link to podcast:**

<https://www.youtube.com/@kucaljudskihpravazagreb>





# **BUILDING PEACE AND A CULTURE OF NONVIOLENCE**



# LEAD - Online

## **Learn, Engage, Act: Digital Tools to Prevent and Counter Hate Speech online**

Project financed by CERV Fund (Citizens, Equality, Rights and Values Programme)

Duration: 01.03.2022. - 28.02.2024.

Partners:

Sofia Development Association from Bulgaria

Forma.Azione from Italy

Asociatia Divers from Romania

Future Needs from Cyprus

Hellenic Open University from Greece

ZARA Zivilcourage und antirassismus arbeit from Austria





# The goal of the project:



Strengthening critical thinking and developing digital and media literacy skills among young people.



Prevention, education, and raising awareness about tolerance against hate speech on the Internet.



Increasing public awareness of hate speech and online hate speech, including promoting positive narratives.



# Implemented activities

Implemented design for HateOut! the game

Scripting for the HateOut! game: **9 scenarios** based on real cases of online hate speech were created and will be included in the game and adapted to it.

Organization of 3 local one-day trainings on combating hate speech on the Internet with educators from local schools, journalists, social media activists, and Internet companies. We successfully organized three local trainings aimed at combating online hate speech. These trainings followed the structure of the international ToT and were aimed at developing digital literacy, encouraging critical thinking and applying exercises like "Leave-Delete."





**Prepared comparative report from local trainings in 7 countries;** also published in English.

**3rd partnership meeting held in Perugia:** We held the 3rd partnership meeting in Perugia, Italy. At the meeting, we reviewed the progress so far, tested the prototype of the game "Hate Out!" and participated in local activities with young journalists and activists from civil society organizations.

Piloting HateOut! games: During the third project meeting in Italy, we piloted the game prototype "Hate Out!". This process involved testing the game with local students, young journalists, bloggers, and educators during the Perugia International Journalism Festival.

**The 4th partner meeting was held in Patras.** During the fourth coordination meeting, the partner organizations checked all the items of HateOut! games to make sure everything is working before the game is available for use.

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Made manual with Hate Out! resources for educators (scenario explanations, help questions, printable graphics, etc.) created a 20-30 page resource manual and instructions for playing the game, in all partner languages and available for electronic download from partner websites.

HateOut! game available on the web—ready-to-use game with user manual in all partner languages

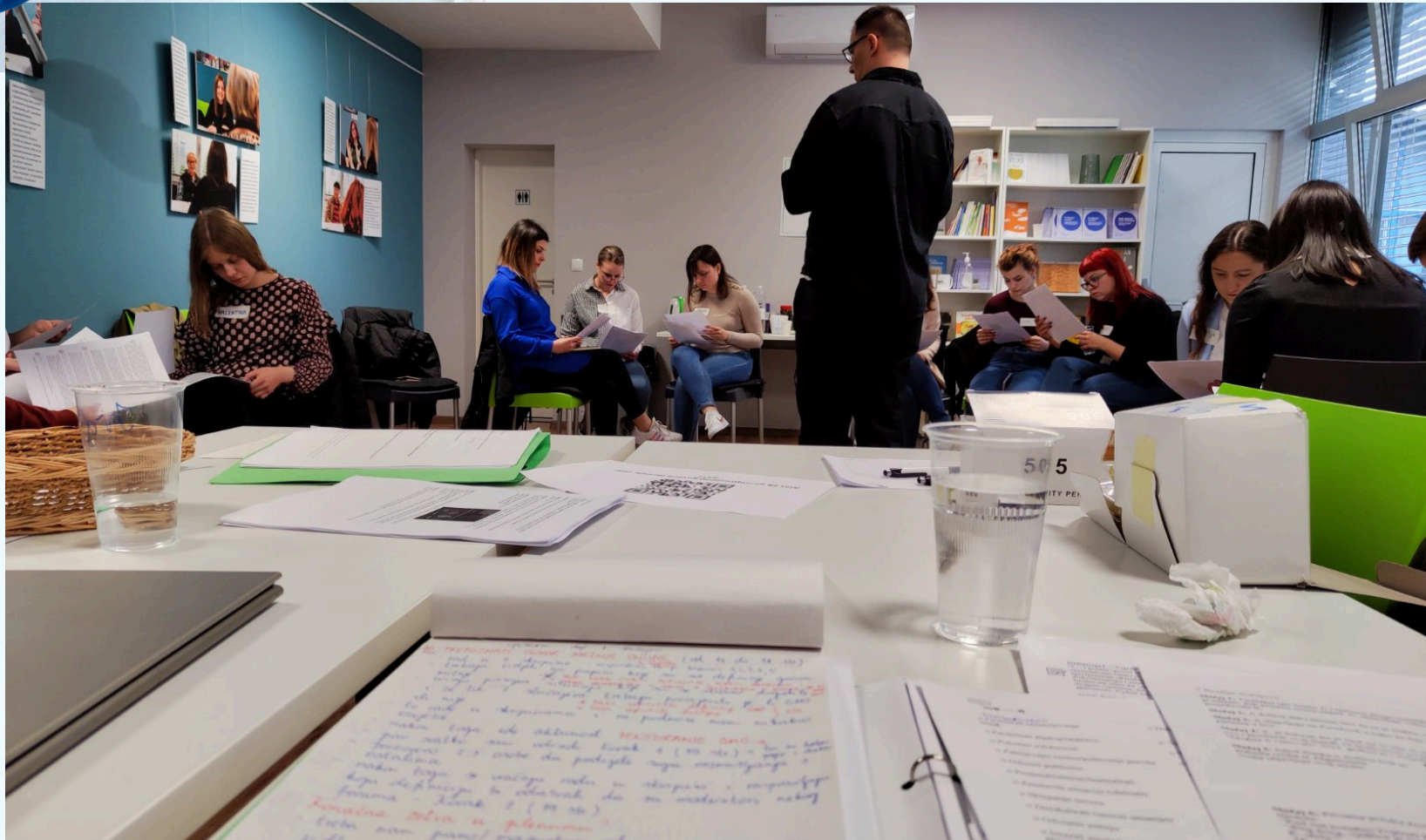
LEAD-Online conversations—events to raise awareness and engagement and online campaigns; in order to increase public awareness of the toxic effects of online hate speech and expand the results

of the project, the partners organized 4 public events - LEAD-Online Talks

LEAD-Online final event and last partner meeting held in Brussels









# Between- Be Well and Green When Digital

**Erasmus +** Cooperation partnerships in school education

**Duration:** 1.11. 2021 – 31.10. 2023.

**Partners:**

Center for Peace, Nonviolence and Human Rights - Osijek (Croatia)

University of Vienna (Austria)

National Technical University of Athens (Greece)

Future Needs Management Consulting Ltd. (Cyprus)

Technical Culture Center Rijeka (Croatia)

**The goal of the project:** To build capacities for "healthier and more responsible use of digital technologies" and competence to the 7 levels of expertise of the DigComp framework and to promote "smart habits" for "tech-smart" teachers and students.





# **Implemented activities**

**Project management and coordination**

**Holding partner and transnational meetings**

**Participation and management of partner meetings**

**Daily communication with partners via e-mail**

**Communication with the National Agency and report writing**

**Creation of Quality management plan and Dissemination plan**

**Creating the visual identity of the project**

**Creating a website**

**Maintenance of the project website as well as regular dissemination of information about the project on social networks**

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“BE WELL AND GREEN WHEN DIGITAL”



**Setting up an open call for participation in pilot testing as well as communication with schools**

**Creation of the curriculum**

**Creation of training materials**

**Translation of training materials into all languages of the partner countries**

**Establishing a platform for e-learning and a help desk**

**Holding workshops with teachers as part of the pilot testing of training materials for teachers**

**Project monitoring, monitoring of quality, schedule and deadlines and prevention of potential risks**

**Creation of promotional material (newsletter)**

**Creation of Beween mobile game and pilot testing**

**Collection of data for the preparation of financial statements, reports on quality monitoring**

**An online event with a multiplier effect "Let's become digitally mature" was held, where the results of the project were presented**

**Submitted and approved final report**







- Kurikulum koji smo izradili za BeWEEN trening prvenstveno je namijenjen srednjoškolskim učiteljima i nastavnicima koji žele steći digitalne kompetencije vezane uz zaštitu zdravlja i dobrobiti te zaštitu okoliša pri korištenju digitalnih tehnologija.
- Budući da za ovaj trening nema posebnih preduvjeta, osim učitelja srednjih škola, ovaj trening mogu koristiti i svi ostali koji su zainteresirani za stjecanje digitalnih kompetencija vezanih uz zaštitu zdravlja i dobrobiti te zaštitu okoliša. Nositelj ovog projektnog rezultata je Centar tehničke kulture – Rijeka.
- Sustav za e-učenje Moodle bit će domaćin treninga, a razvili su ga partneri s Nacionalnog tehničkog sveučilišta u Ateni.

#### O projektu

Naziv projekta, iz programa ERASMUS+, krije se u simboličnom akronimu – BeWEEN, što znači “Be well and green when digital”. Projekt je akcijskog tipa KA220-SCH-suradnja partnerstva u školama, koji se odvija u području školskog obrazovanja.

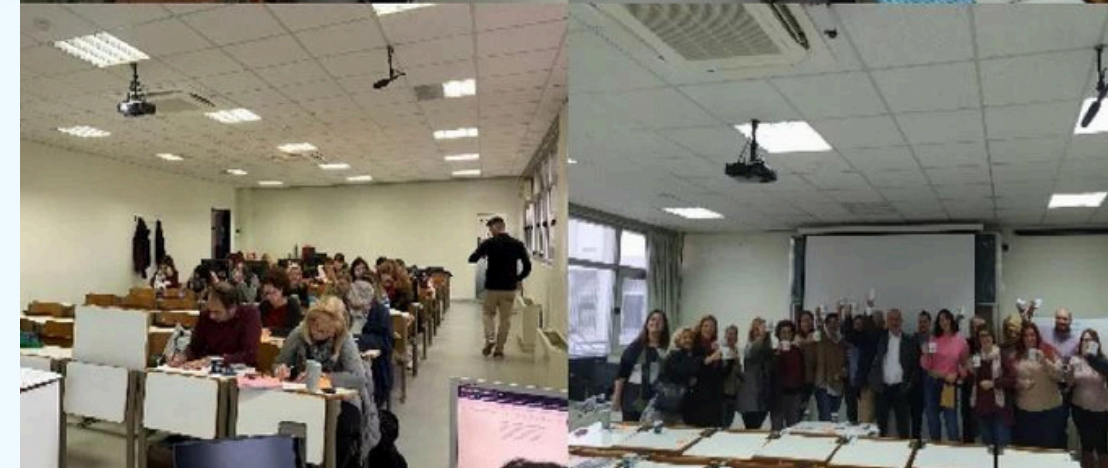
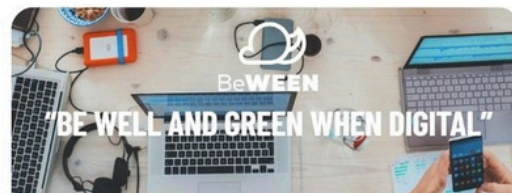


#### Partneri

Centar za mir, nenasilje i ljudska prava – Osijek (Hrvatska)  
Sveučilište u Beču (Austrija)  
Nacionalno tehničko sveučilište u Ateni (Grčka)  
Future Needs Management Consulting Ltd. (Cipar)  
Centar Tehničke kulture Rijeka (Hrvatska)

#### BeWEEN će unaprijediti:

- razine ključnih digitalnih kompetencija i vještina učitelja sa ciljem prenošenja znanja učenicima.
- promicanje i jačanje europskog područja cjeloživotnog učenja kroz širenje, umnažanje i opetovanje upotrebe europskih alata za transparentnost i



## BeWEEN Mobile Game

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# Arguing at school Psycho- Pedagogical methods to help children ( 2 - 18 ) learn from arguing

Erasmus+ KA2 2021 project - Cooperation Partnerships in School Education

Duration: 1.12. 2021 – 30. 11. 2024.

## **Partners:**

CPP - Centro Psicopedagogico per a pace e la gestione dei conflitti

FREREF Fondation des Regions Europeennes pour la Recherche en Education et Enformation

IIHL International nstitute of Humanitarian Law

Fondazione Intro

Osnovna Škola Ivana Gorana Kovačića Vrbovsko

I4F Innovate4Future - Centrul pentru Solutii Educationale Avansate

Colegiul National Sfantul Sava

RFF Relationships are Forever Foundation

Maria Regina College Naxxar Induction Hub





# The goal of the project

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**To open a transnational discussion on the topic of arguments and conflicts between peers (from 2 to 18 years old), in the context of their life experience at school.**

**The project was conceived on the basis of the following general questions:**

"What if a fight happens between students?",

"How do teachers perceive it?"

"How do they intervene and on what basis and is their intervention the result of a school strategy?",

"Is there a pedagogical method or approach that teachers share?",

"Who decides and what level of sharing should be responsible for the selection (class, school, policy making)?"

"Is there an educational strategy on how to positively transform conflict among students?"





# Implemented activities

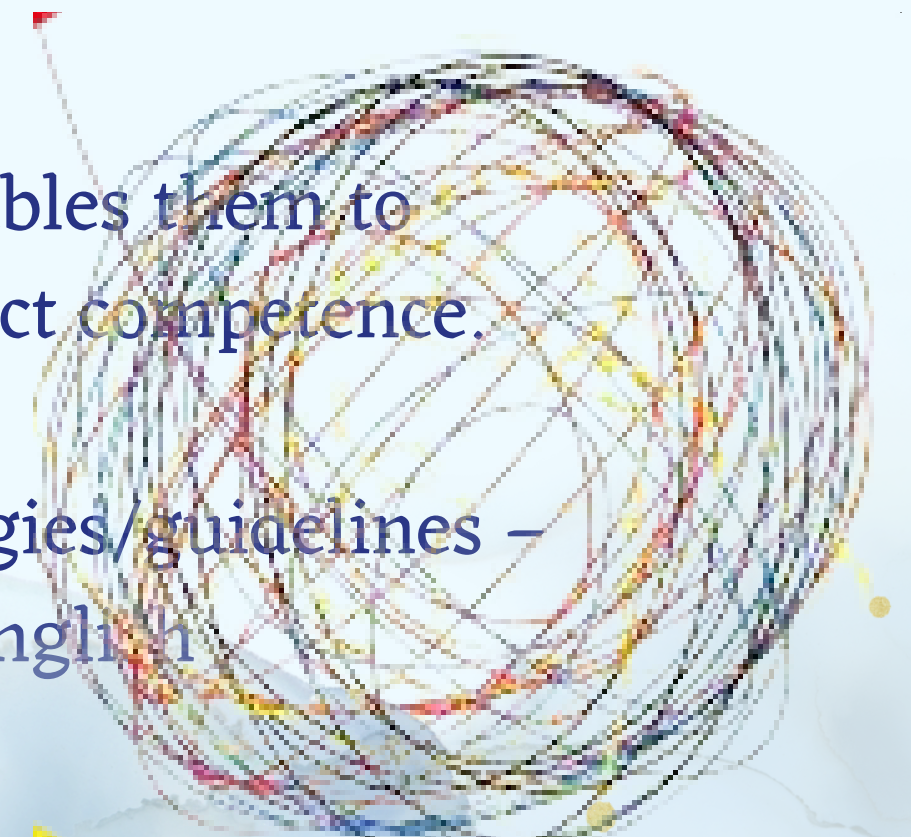
**Methodological framework** on children in conflict; creation of documentation on existing methods, clarification of work methods, their characteristics and results.

**Participation** in transnational meetings.

**Creation of a matrix and a tool** that includes and compares methods of nonviolent communication: peer mediation, litigare bene and friendship cards

**Manual for teacher training;** An operational manual for teachers that enables them to implement concrete actions in the classroom to promote learning about conflict competence.

**Guidelines for a whole school approach** to students in conflict; Methodologies/guidelines – Methodological framework for implementation – Audiovisual material – in English





**A multiplier effect event** was held in Bucharest, Romania. The event was aimed at confirming project results and implementation and transferability strategies with the involvement of regional, national and transnational institutions.

An event was held: “Learning and teaching activities” in Ogulin, Croatia, where materials from all partners, including Erasmus results, were collected and distributed. Learning and training activities involved various professionals from partner organizations (researchers, teachers)

Prepared Teacher Training Manual.

A partnership meeting and multiplier effect event was held in Lyon, France.

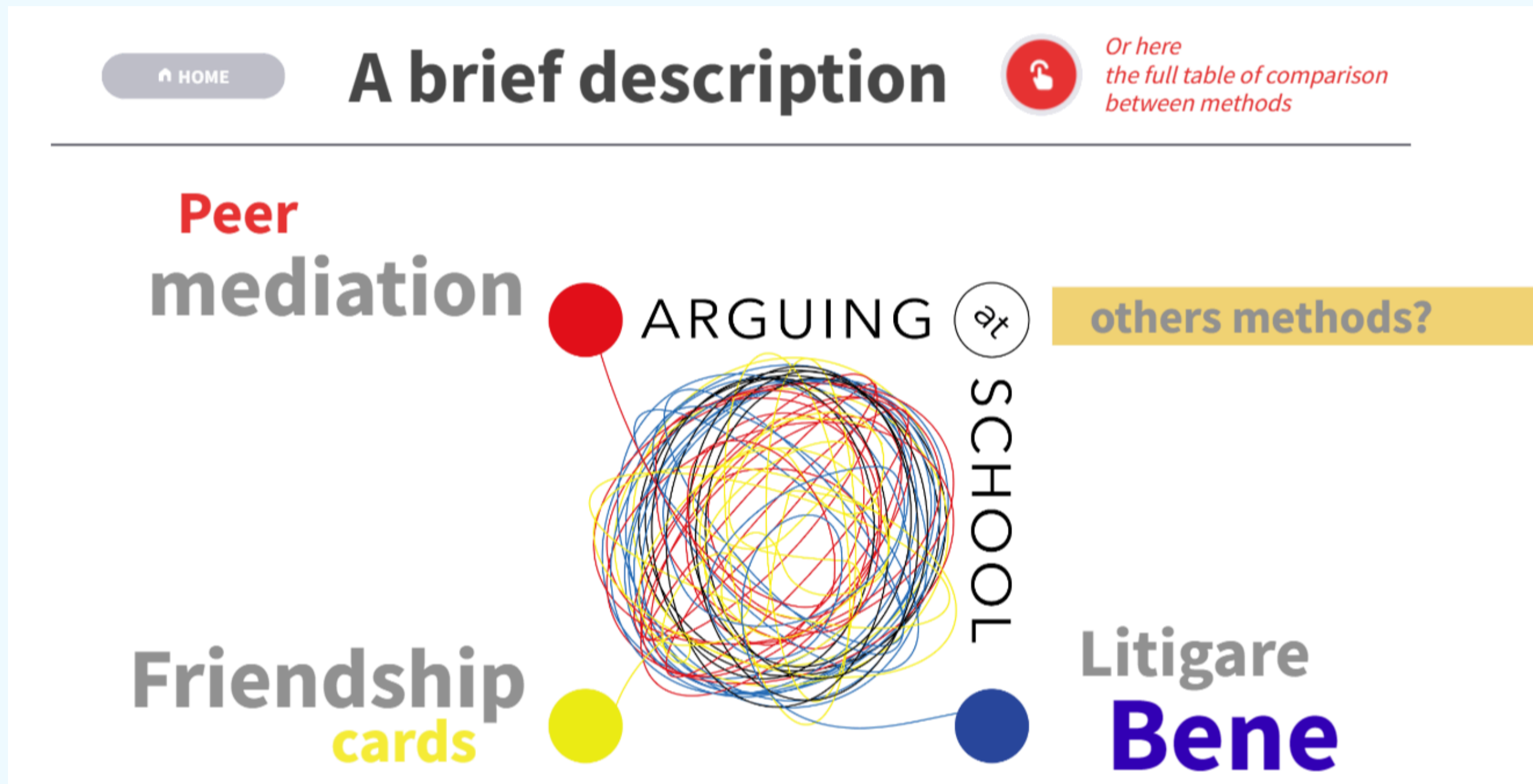




Created Methodological framework on the topic of children and young people who fight

Age range: 2-18

Methods: Peer mediation, Litigare Bene and Friendship cards



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# **Pledge for the future - people build peace: Documenting the civilian contribution to peace process: Eastern Croatia**

**The general goal** of the program is to contribute to the building of sustainable peace at the local and national level.

Duration: 01.01.2023. – 31.12.2023.

## **Implemented activities**

We continued the extensive process of organizing and writing off the archive of the Center for Peace, Nonviolence and Human Rights - Osijek with the aim of extracting and sorting the additionally collected archival material (photo and video documentation, articles, etc.) over 30 years of activity of the Center for Peace, make it available to the public and researchers

We have created a temporary informative index of the archival materials arranged so far, along with a description of the socio-political context in which the peaceful reintegration of the Croatian Danube region was carried out.

We contributed to the achievement of the goal of stimulating historical, sociological, pedagogical and political research on the contribution of civil society to peace processes and post-conflict peace building after war.

The program initiated and enabled research into the civilian contribution to peace-building processes in eastern Croatia, and made and continues to make a contribution to the recognition and recognition of this peace endeavor as part of Croatia's positive historical experience, school textbooks are enriched with content on peaceful reintegration, the introduction of peace themes into learning about the Homeland War , and especially when mentioning our national symbol of destruction and resistance – Vukovar, enriches the topic we are discussing as part of our program of a study visit to the Peacekeeping School.



**The structure of the fund was redefined** and adapted to the material again. A description of the creator and a description of the material have been created.

The project manager in front of the Center for Peace, 2 archivists and experts from the State Archives in Osijek, a historian, 4 volunteers from the organization, and administrative and technical support worked intensively on organizing archival material through the Pledge for the Future program.

By financing this project, as a continuation of the started program of documenting the civilian contribution to the peace process

- we made the archive material of the Center for Peace publicly available by creating a temporary information index of the ordered material with a description of the socio-political context in which the peaceful reintegration was carried out
- we reaffirmed the peaceful reintegration of eastern Croatia as an example of good peace practice and as part of Croatian historical legacy
- we actualized the need for continuous and systematic work on the post-war international trust and building peace in Croatia.

After the completion of this program, we plan to monitor the number of archive users as well as the number of published researches; integrate lessons on peace building processes into the program of study visits of the Peace School and into the visits of students to the Memorial Center of the Homeland War in Vukovar.



# Peacebuilding school

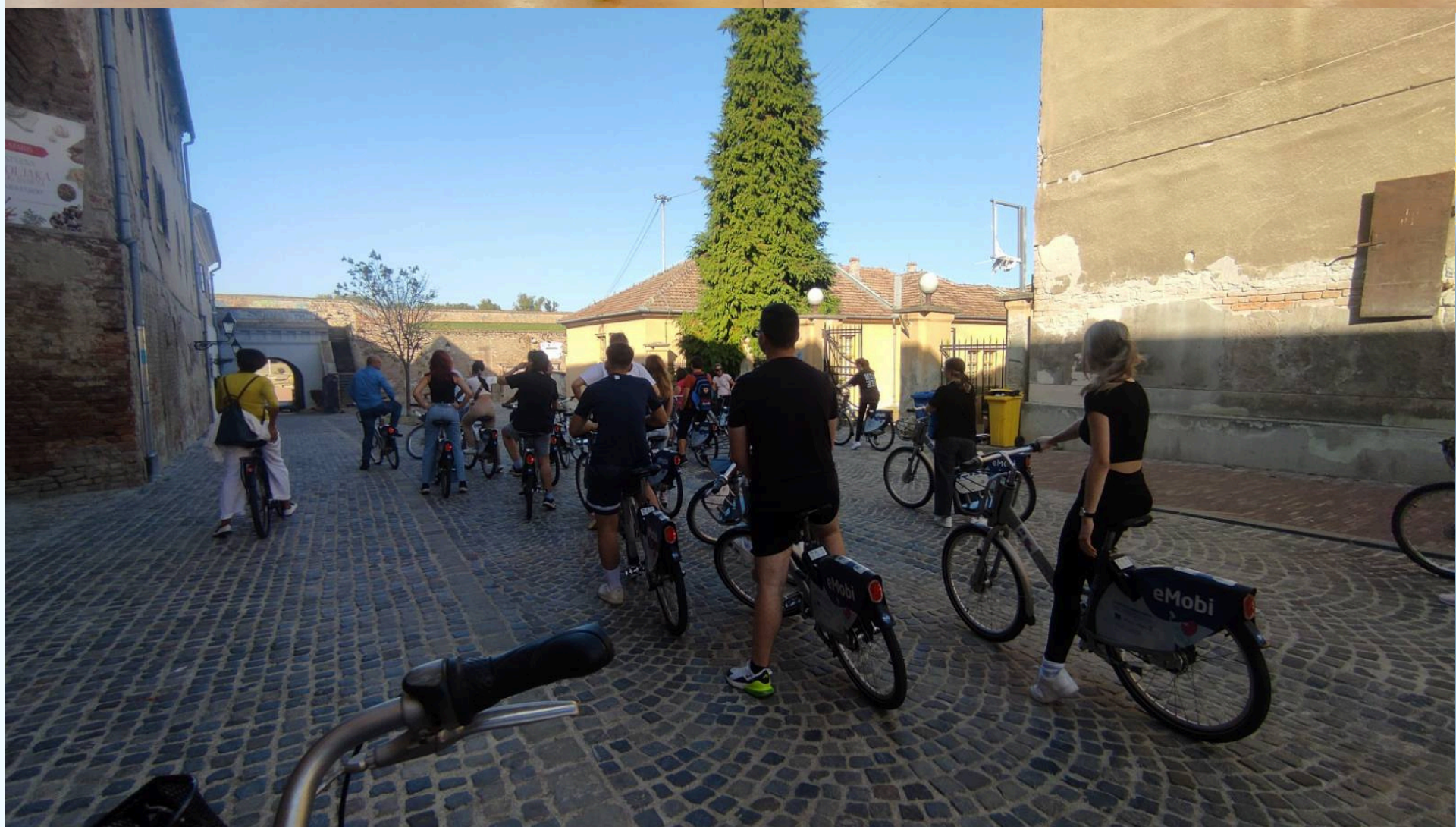
As part of a study-educational visit to Osijek, the teachers and students of the Bartolo Kašić Grubišno Polje High School and the First Rijeka Croatian High School came to us.

The program was financially supported by the City of Osijek, so a reception was organized with the Vice-Mayor of Osijek, Jasenka Crnković, where teachers and students had the opportunity to present the work and activities of their schools. In the continuation of the award-winning study-educational visit, the students of these schools had the opportunity to get to know our city even better, they got to know the history of the Osijek Fortress, and then they went for a ride on Osijek's promenade on eMobi bikes. Mladform activists also presented their activities and work to students and teachers, which was recognized by students who actively volunteer in their communities as a valuable and important exchange of experiences.

We spent the second day of the visit in Vukovar. The first stop was the Vučedol Culture Museum, where we got to know the rich cultural heritage of this area and discovered the thousand-year-old history and art of this part of Croatia. After that, we visited the Memorial site of the Homeland War - Ovčara Memorial House, and then headed to the Vukovar City Museum. There we met with young people from Vukovar and watched Joško Morić's film together called "Victory with Reason". After the film, we organized a "Living Library", a structured conversation with small groups of young people from Vukovar. We talked openly about their daily life in this city, exchanging experiences and ideas about building peace and community.

The final activity of the program was a knowledge quiz held in Barcelona Pub - in Osijek.







# **“Krunoslav Sukić” Peace Award 2023**

In 2009, the Center for Peace, Nonviolence and Human Rights - Osijek established an award and recognition for the promotion of peacemaking, nonviolence and human rights in honor of one of its founders, peace activist and humanist Krunoslav Sukić, whose education, knowledge and activities were motivated by recognition and respecting the dignity, integrity and rights of every human being, and even more broadly - of every living being and all created things. He was a conscientious objector. He represents publicly little known and recognized men and women who, despite the war and in the war and in such difficult, almost confusing transition times, did and are doing everything possible for us as a society and political community to progress towards a fairer, democratic society using non-violent methods - where individuals and the community will have space to develop their creative potential, but not at the expense of the other and without fear of the other - but to maintain and improve peace by nurturing solidarity and cooperation.





**This year's winners of awards and recognitions for the promotion of peacemaking, nonviolence and of human rights "Krunoslav Sukić" 2023 are:**

"Krunoslav Sukić" award for the promotion of peacemaking, nonviolence and human rights in 2023.

was awarded with thanks to:

Mandi Prišing - for contributing to the solidary and courageous construction of peace in the midst of war: construction bridges over the front line, over the division that the war brought between people, over existential fears and hatred, and especially for the transfer of peace work to post-war generation of young people.

Branka Vierda - for a brave, persistent, peaceful creative contribution to connection, empowerment and the joint action of young people from Croatia and other post-Yugoslav states who, during the war and they approach the post-war legacy as an opportunity to build peace, reconciliation, recognition responsibility and own mistakes, the fight against nationalism as well as strengthening the role of young people in building a democratic society.



**Recognition for the promotion of peacemaking, nonviolence and human rights "Krunoslav Sukic" 2019.**  
**was awarded with thanks to the initiative:**

To the Croatian Association for Mediation - for a twenty-year-old, enthusiastic, persistent, professional and peaceful creative work to spread the idea and vision of mediation. We are grateful for all of them, and there are many of them  
a large number, who are meeting with the members of HUM, with mediation, mediators and  
by teaching about mediation, empowered to change the perspective and view of the world. For the world of cooperation in which conflict is not only a threat but also an opportunity for everyone to be better off and to become better  
better ones.



**Recognition for the BOOK OF THE YEAR 2022/2023.**  
**is given with thanks to:**

Igor Beleš - for the anti-war novel "Listanje kupusa", HENA COM, 2023, which through the voice of children from

Borovo explores the essence of suffering, sadness and horror of war. It expresses the loss of what is in innocent growing up most important: love, school, holidays and friendship. Friendship before everything.

Rade Radovanović - for the novel "Laughter under the Gallows", Kruzak, 2022, which as a historical document and picture of the war and Serbian society, provides an insight into what people did not want to know about the war Kosovo. At a time of escalating violence in other wars, the book raises important questions about war and war societies.



**Recognition PEACEBUILDING SCHOOL 2023.  
was awarded with gratitude to two schools:**

To the students and teachers of the Gustav Krklec Elementary School Zagreb - for many years of involvement in educational support for refugee children and their integration into the school and local community the community. For the pioneering experience and development of good practice of integration of refugee children in schools,  
showing that openness to others enriches the community.

To the students and teachers of Petar Zrinski Čabar Primary School - for providing equal opportunities and opportunity for all students, despite the fact that they are located in a small town far from large cities place. The school is recognized for its commitment to the development of abilities, knowledge and skills students and encouraging coexistence, acceptance of diversity and peace.











# **DEMOCRATIZATION AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT**





# PLOUTOS

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**"Cooperation for achieving third country nations' financial independence through financial literacy tools and entrepreneur ship bootcamps"**

**Duration: 02.01.2022. - 01.02.2025.**

The project is financed by the Asylum Migration and Integration Fund of the European Union (AMIF - Asylum Migration and Integration Fund).

Project goal: Improving financial literacy, business language and digital skills of third-country nationals, access to financial services for third-country nationals, self-employment of third-country nationals, mediation skills in the professional community.

## Partners:

Association Breza - Osijek (Croatia),  
Halmstad University – Halmstad, Sweden (lead partner),  
Innovation Hive – Larisa, Greece,  
Aristotle University – Thessaloniki, Greece,  
Trading company Squaredev – Vilvoorde, Belgium,  
European Microfinance Network (EMN) – Saint-Josse-ten-Noode, Belgium,  
Trading company Future needs - Cyprus,  
Italian Banking Association (AbiLab) – Italy,  
Center for Studies and Initiatives (CESIE) – Palermo, Italy,  
Sofia Development Association - Sofia, Bulgaria.



# Implemented activities

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Formed financial literacy curriculum

Conducted financial literacy course for citizens of third countries.

Technical development and functional testing of PLOUTOS technical tools

Created curriculum: "Mediation in the community"

The Digital Community portal has been launched. The Digital Community Platform will motivate and guide third-country nationals to network activities that will be organized in a flexible and dynamic manner and that will allow them to take advantage of job, networking and educational opportunities.

Implementation of the Pilot Accelerator program "Practical business" started, where 2 mentors per pilot organization implement the program together with the participants.

A partnership meeting was held in Osijek.







# Equal because we can

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## **Partner:**

**Betula Association**

**Duration: May 2023 - April 2024.**

The EQUAL BECAUSE WE CAN project was designed to provide psycho-emotional support to victims of violence, as well as the implementation of locally specific interventions and the networking of services and organizations that provide assistance to the needy.

## **Implementation activities:**

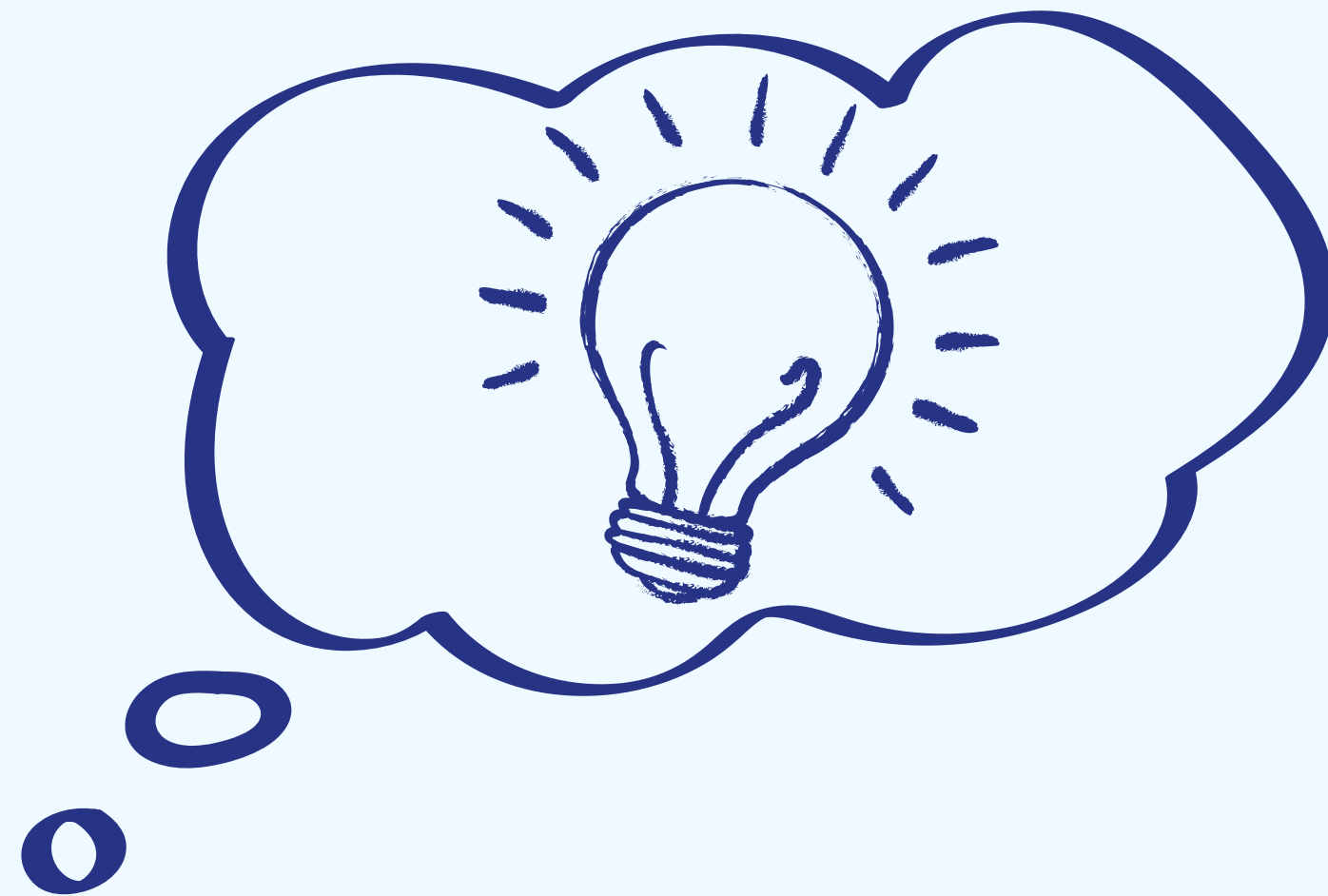
Organizing a conference that will bring together services and organizations that work with victims, the goal of which is the meeting of experts and the exchange of experiences, making proposals for improving work and networking participants at the local level and establishing professional connections among experts.

Psychosocial advisory assistance - includes long-term follow-up of users according to needs and direct and individual work with the user group, which aims at emotional empowerment and support during re-socialization. Providing legal support through direct work with users and the creation of leaflets with a security plan and contacts of services and organizations that provide assistance and services to victims.

Art therapy workshops for children and young people (a total of 6 workshops, 12 hours) who are witnesses or victims of domestic violence - will contain educational elements for dealing with trauma and developing resilience.



# ORGANIZATIONAL DEVELOPMENT





- Participation in the panel discussion: We choose peace, Friedrich Ebert Stiftung
- Organizational Digital Transformation training - improving the digital competences of managers and employees of organizations by applying tools for assessing digital capabilities and for strengthening the strategic approach to the development of the organization's digital capabilities.
- Participation in the EstLab presentation: Women's court - a feminist approach to justice
- Webinar - FTOP + Horizontal topics
- Education: "Awareness and advocacy of women's rights and the rights of LGBTIQ+ persons".
- Participation in the presentation: "Practice of the European Court of Human Rights and the Court of the European Union in anti-discrimination labor disputes"
- Round table: "Archives from below - organizational memory as an element of the sustainability of civil society"



- Organization of the conference: "15 years of the Law on Free Legal Aid - where are we today?" at the Ministry of Justice in Zagreb
- Conference Archives from below
- Participation in the organization of the Night March: "Strike in the kitchen, strike in the street"
- Participation in the signing of the "Agreement on intersectoral cooperation with the aim of better communication and cooperation of all stakeholders on the prevention and protection of Roma women from all forms of gender-based violence"
- Workshop on workers' rights in Croatia, communication and combating discrimination
- Participation in the 10th refugee week;
- Organizing the quiz "Ukraine meets Osijek: getting to know each other through knowledge"
- Organization of the Conference for Ukrainians in Osijek - ""Employment in Croatia" together with the SVOJA Association



- Organizing and participating in the public action "Women's safety is the responsibility of the state" - expressing solidarity with women in Bosnia and Herzegovina, who, at the same time as women in Croatia, are seeking greater effectiveness in protection against violence.
- Participation in the meeting of the European Peacebuilding Office #EPLO which hosted the Civil Society Dialogue Network #CSDN to discuss the Instrument for Neighborhood Development and International Cooperation - Thematic Program 'Peace, Stability and Conflict Prevention'.
- "Good Practices" exchange program - Center for Peace, Nonviolence and Human Rights - Osijek and the Srebrenica Memorial Center
- Organizing and participating in the Public Action of civil society organizations on the occasion of the murder of a young female student from Osijek by a police officer
- Appeal for the protection of rights: "Worrying fate of foreign workers in Osijek"
- Participation in the organization of the gathering of the Civic Platform of Osijek civil society organizations and activists under the name: "OSIJEK GORI"



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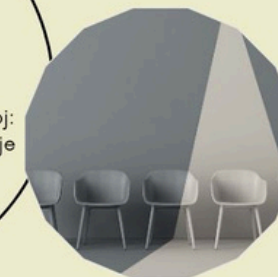
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- 20.06. u 18h
- Caffe Bar Peppermint
- KVIZ - Ukrajina meets Osijek: Upoznavanje kroz znanje



- 23.06.
- 15:00 - 20:00h
- Stara Pekara
- Udruga SVOJA - Konferencija za Ukrajinke/ke u Osijeku "Zapošljavanje u Hrvatskoj: vaučeri za obuku, otvaranje vlastitog biznisa, nostrifikacija diploma"



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20.06. (utorak) u 18:00h



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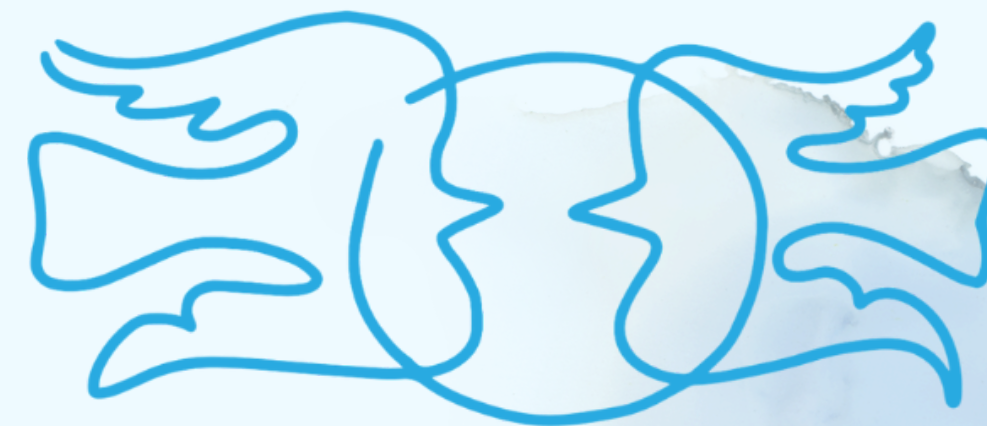
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