











# OUR LIVING LIBRARY FOR SOLIDARITY & EQUALITY EQUAL project

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# Twinning Event 1

**"OUR LIVING LIBRARY FOR SOLIDARITY & EQUALITY"** Project is promoted by the following partnership:

Applicant: Municipality of Borriana - IT

<u>Partners</u>: Municipality of Belisce – HR; Municipality of Tahanovce – SK; Municipality of Sandigliano –

IT; Cesis Municipality - LV.

The general objectives of **EQUAL Project** are to:

- Integrate a range of activities around the subject of common interest: Raising awareness of the importance of reinforcing the European integration process based on solidarity;
- Promote exchanges and solidarity best practices between citizens of different countries;
- Guarantee peaceful relations between Europeans and to ensure their active participation at the local level.

"Raising awareness of the importance of reinforcing the European integration process based on solidarity" is the chosen priority from the CERV program: the main aim is to stimulate debate, reflection and cooperation on the issue of solidarity to create shared values, concrete civic participation and common mechanisms for donations and volunteering. EQUAL Project wants to highlight and assess the existing solidarity mechanisms inside the EU (4 Countries are involved), to focus the issue of solidarity versus responsibility, also increasingly raised in the context of other policy areas, such as migration and policies for gender equality and reinforce the EU integration process. Besides aiming at fostering citizens towards a brotherly future and wellbeing for Europeans, the project wants to foster European citizenship and to improve conditions for social, civic and democratic participation and to encourage democratic and civic participation of citizens at Union level as promoted by CERV Program and reloaded by the "Future of Europe" strategy, a roadmap detailing the main steps towards a more united, stronger and more democratic Union.

The Project will focus on the key role of <u>volunteering and solidarity</u> as expressions of active European citizenship. One of the project objectives is to produce a fruitful reflection about roles and approaches of volunteers in local governments at territorial level in the involved Countries.



# 1° TWINNING EVENT IN SITU - EVENT N 1

# FIRST EVENT IN BELISCE (CROATIA) - 24-25-26 June 2022 - PROGRAM

### 1 day - JUNE 24

Afternoon: Arrival of foreign delegations in Belisce (near Osijek).

### Welcome ceremony.

Welcome speeches.

Presentation of the project by Lead Partner.

Presentation of Belisce municipality + partner organizations + eConsulenza Agency.

Welcome dinner.

Overnight stay and accommodations for foreign delegates in hostels and B&B.

#### 2 day - JUNE 25

Morning: Public Workshop - Living Library EVENT - "OUR LIVING LIBRARY ABOUT SOLIDARITY"

Real cases from the local community and speeches by each Delegation.

The workshop of Day 2 and the Living Library conversation about solidarity will be realised at the presence of city councillors, citizens, no profit organisations, NGOs, association for rights promotion, volunteers, representants of the regional authorities and Osijek City, policy makers, journalists.

#### Afternoon:

**Study visit** to local associations that deals with solidarity and civic support.

#### 3 day - JUNE 26 Sunday

Morning: Meeting with local volunteers/local Authorities.

Brunch. Final greetings.

Return home for foreign delegates.

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