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A. Local Process - General information for the reporting period n°.1 (4 in total)

- Name of the partner: *Municipality of Etterbeek*
- Reporting period:
 1. From September 2017 to March 2018 (theme: “Cultural and social barriers to integration”)
- Summary of the local process for the reporting period (max. 10 lines):

On the 24th of October 2017, a first local information meeting was held with a mix of citizens, organizations and officials. The CRISCO project was explained, as well as the participatory programme “Crossroad of the Regions”. The forms filled by the participants at this meeting gave us a good basis to create our local group of stakeholders.

On the 23rd of November 2017, a second information meeting on CRISCO was held, this time in collaboration with the municipality’s European Affairs Department. The audience was composed of Europeans from Etterbeek, members of the CCAE (Conseil Consultatif des Affaires Européennes – European Affairs Advisory Council).

The third phase consisted of some workshops directly on the theme of cultural and social barriers to integration: 2 cooking workshops (19/11/17; 04/02/18), 3 writing and painting workshops. A part of the public and of the workshops facilitators were found among the 2 previous information meetings.

- What are the 3 things you consider successful and 3-unsuccessful about the local process for the reporting period (max. 10 lines):

Successful:

1. *The profile of participants: very diverse, in line with the nature of the project.*
2. *Enthusiasm of the citizens and the associations: this project stimulates the interest of that public.*
3. *Involvement of the officials to support the initiative.*

Unsuccessful:

4. *Limited number of participants*
5. *Without funding for new projects, some associations considered CRISCO as not interesting to cooperate with.*
6. *The global communication about the project has to be improved*

- How did the local process support the preparation and contribution to the forthcoming transnational thematic event (max. 5 lines):

The local process gave us the opportunity to start drawing a good sketch of the civil and professional associations working on social cohesion in Etterbeek. This is also during the information meetings that we met the 2 workshops facilitators that will accompany us at the first transnational thematic event in Bassano to share their experience of social cohesion in Etterbeek.





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- During this reporting period, representatives of the partner have taken part as 'experts', 'external resource persons' or 'interested persons' in the local process of another partner (2 missions per CRISCO partner):

YES NO

Name(s) of the person(s): .

Name(s) of the visited partner(s):

Motivation, reason of the visit(s):

Summary of the mission(s):

- During this reporting period, representatives of another partner have taken part as 'experts', 'external resource persons' or 'interested persons' in the local process of the partner:

YES NO

Name(s) of the person(s): Bukovec Mitja/ Gombac Jure

Name(s) of the visiting partner(s): Slovenia

Motivation, reason of the visit(s): Working session

Summary of the mission(s): The meeting consisted in getting to know each other, as well as discovering the municipality of Etterbeek and the local initiatives in social cohesion. The discussions also covered the possibilities to develop bilateral cooperation for the future (in-field visits, exchanges of experiences...).

Annexes:

At least one signed attendance list per reporting period (obligatory)

Signature(s) of the representative(s) of other partner(s) who came on visit in the partner's local process (obligatory)

Pictures (obligatory)??????

Evidence documents for the local process: invitations, meeting reports, local on-line and paper press, leaflets... (obligatory)

Other.....



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B. Local Process – Activities during the reporting period n°1...

B.1. Activity 1

Name of the activity: First CRISCO information meeting
Venue: City Hall of Etterbeek (Avenue d'Auderghem 113)
Date: 24/10/2017
Number of participants: ca. 20

Attendance list:

YES: see annex

NO: reason

Representative(s) of another partner have taken part as 'experts', 'external resource persons' or 'interested persons' in this activity:

NO:

YES:

Name(s) of the person(s):

Motivation, reason of the visit(s):

Type of activity:

Reflection (e.g. meeting, debate...): information meeting

Action (e.g. activity, course, social event...):

Mixed (e.g. workshop, in-field visit...):

Description of the activity (about 10 lines):

This first meeting was an information meeting. The CRISCO project was explained to the audience (citizens, stakeholders, associations, officials), with a presentation of the programme "Crossroad of the Regions" as well, the participatory socio-cultural programme developed by the municipality to showcase the cultures and knowledges from regions of the world represented by the diverse population of the neighbourhood (exhibitions, debates, cuisine, language courses ...)

After the presentations, the participants were invited to ask questions and to express themselves about their own motivations for being part of the project. Each interested participant filled in an application form for the local group.

Results and outcomes of the activity (max. 10 lines):

This first meeting was the occasion to launch CRISCO and to start a mapping of the social cohesion actions in the municipal territory and to enrich the "Crossroad of the Regions" programme. Those 2 elements (social cohesion mapping and the "Crossroad of the Regions") will be the foundation of the Etterbeek's contribution to the forthcoming transnational event in Bassano del Grappa. Thanks to the forms filled by the participants at the meeting, we have at our disposal a good basis for our local group of stakeholders.





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Relevance for and link to CRISCO (max. 5 lines):

Most of the participants were very interested in the project, and have a relevant profile to be part of the CRISCO project. There was a good balance between citizens, organizations and officials.

Other comments on the activity:

Annexes for the activity:

- Signed attendance list
- Signature(s) of the representative(s) of other partner(s) who came on visit at the activity
- Pictures (obligatory – at least 5 per activity)
- Evidence documents for the activity: invitation, meeting report, local on-line and paper press, leaflet...
- Other:

B.2. Activity 2

Name of the activity: CRISCO Information meeting for the members of the local CCAE (Conseil Consultatif des Affaires Européennes – European Affairs Advisory Council), in collaboration with the municipality’s European affairs department.

Venue: City Hall of Etterbeek (Avenue d’Auderghem 113)

Date: 23/11/2017

Number of participants: 25

Attendance list:

YES: see annex

0 NO: reason

Representative(s) of another partner have taken part as ‘experts’, ‘external resource persons’ or ‘interested persons’ in this activity:

NO:

YES:

Name(s) of the person(s):

Motivation, reason of the visit(s):

Type of activity:

Reflection (e.g. meeting, debate...): information meeting

1 Action (e.g. activity, course, social event...):

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1 Mixed (e.g. workshop, in-field visit...):

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Description of the activity (about 10 lines):

The audience was composed of a pre-existing group of European citizens from Etterbeek. The CRISCO project was explained, with a presentation of the programme “Crossroad of the Regions” as well, the participatory socio-cultural programme developed by the municipality to





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showcase the cultures and knowledges from regions of the world represented by the diverse population of the neighbourhood (exhibitions, debates, cuisine, language courses ...)"

After the presentations, the participants were invited to ask questions and to express themselves about their own motivations for being part of the project. Each interested participant filled in an application form for the local group.

Results and outcomes of the activity (max. 10 lines):

As the audience was composed of European people used to work in an European context (which was the major difference between this meeting and the first one), the discussion focused more on the particularities of the Brussels context, in comparison with other European ones. Some participants gave their vision as social workers in other European cities. For them, Brussel is a fascinating city because of the incredible diversity of its population, but a difficulty encountered is the lack of overall vision in the field of the socio-cohesion initiatives in Brussels.

Relevance for and link to CRISCO (max. 5 lines):

Most of the participants were very interested in the project, and have a relevant profile to be part of the CRISCO project. Their European profiles gave a different and interesting vision of the CRISCO's thematic.

Other comments on the activity:

Annexes for the activity:

- Signed attendance list
- Signature(s) of the representative(s) of other partner(s) who came on visit at the activity
- Pictures (obligatory – at least 5 per activity)
- Evidence documents for the activity: invitation, meeting report, local on-line and paper press, leaflet...
- Other:

B.3. Activity 3

Name of the activity: Cooking, writing and painting workshops

Venue: Municipality of Etterbeek (public library of Etterbeek; Abbeyfield)

Date: 19/11/2017; 04/02/17; 10/02/2018; 17/02/18; 21/02/18

Number of participants: +/- 40 in total

Attendance list:

YES: see annex

0 NO: reason





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Representative(s) of another partner have taken part as 'experts', 'external resource persons' or 'interested persons' in this activity:

NO:

YES:

Name(s) of the person(s):

Motivation, reason of the visit(s):

Type of activity:

Reflection(e.g. meeting, debate...): information meeting

Action (e.g. activity, course, social event...): Cooking workshops; writing and painting workshops

Mixed (e.g. workshop, in-field visit...):

Description of the activity (about 10 lines):

The workshops took place in the context of the wider programming of the "Crossroad of the Regions". This participatory program develops specific activities for social inclusion, and aims to highlight the cultures and knowledges from regions of the world represented by the diverse population of the neighborhood (exhibitions, debates, cooking workshops, language courses ...).

The program manager Camille Didion met and supported local artists or cooks, citizens from Etterbeek to act as workshops facilitators. Most of them are not professional, which is not an issue because the encounter and the cultural exchange are the most important.

The 2 cooking workshops were managed by simple citizens, who taught one recipe from their native country to a dozen of participants.

The multilingual writing workshop and the painting workshops were held in coordination by 2 local artists, who highlighted the multicultural wealth of the municipality with the participants.

Results and outcomes of the activity (max. 10 lines):

These activities are very efficient to create a social cohesion in the neighbourhood. Participants meet each other in a dynamic way. The workshop animators are citizens themselves, so everything is built from them, and with them. This creates a warm atmosphere, where everybody is valued. The workshops are seen as an impulse to strengthen a genuine neighbourhood life, where each citizen becomes an important actor.

Relevance for and link to CRISCO (max. 5 lines):

Some participants came to the workshops following their participation at the CRISCO information meetings. The local artists that held the writing and painting workshops have been invited to join the first international event in Bassano, to present their initiative.

Other comments on the activity:

Annexes for the activity:

Signed attendance list





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- Pictures (obligatory – at least 5 per activity)
- Evidence documents for the activity: invitation, meeting report, local on-line and paper press, leaflet...
- Other:

Please submit (at crisco@etterbeek.irisnet.be) a draft report (+ annexes) of the activity not later than 7 days after the activity, and a final report (+ annexes) of the activity not later than 1 month after the end of the reporting period

Please send pdf documents and keep all original documents in your possession and in good conditions until five years after the end of the project



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