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CRISCO Local Process - Reporting

A. Local Process - Introduction

Local Panels of Stakeholders (LPS) are central in CRISCO.

- Each CRISCO participant sets up a motivated, active and well-balanced LPS (based on these proportions: 1/3 of citizens or citizens' organizations, 1/3 non-profit and civil society organizations, and 1/3 experts, officials and local authorities), that will meet regularly to **experiment and review (new or existing) local integration initiatives**.
- In each CRISCO partner, the LPS is composed of at least 18 formal members (**at least one signed attendance list per reporting period** is necessary – 4 in total), but may be widely enlarged by the informal participation of the wider local community.
- Building on their existing mechanisms of local democracy, each partner town will maintain existing or develop new instruments to involve local stakeholders and citizens in the project, especially the “hard-to-reach” groups.
- For this purpose, different participatory approaches, adapted to their specific conditions and needs, are expected to be maintained or developed by the CRISCO partners
- Local activities could be of two main types:
 - *Reflection*: debates, workshops, in-field visits, review of existing local initiatives (including interviews or questionnaires), invitation of external ‘experts’ or ‘resource persons’ (including from other CRISCO partners), etc.;
 - *Action*: launch, activate, enrich or adapt (new or existing) local integration initiatives with a focus on the theme for the reporting period (4 in total).
- **Local activities reported in the CRISCO reports may be activities that take place in the context of other local initiatives but must be relevant for and linked to CRISCO (logos...).**

Important note: CRISCO partners may take part as ‘experts’, ‘external resource persons’ or ‘interested persons’ in the local process of another partner (2 missions per CRISCO partner), following rules that will be established for CRISCO (relevance, cost efficiency...).

Please submit (at crisco@etterbeek.irisnet.be) each local process report and its annexes not later than 1 month after the end of the reporting period (4 in total).

Reports must be written in English language.

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

- Name of the partner: VIFIN
- Reporting period:
 1. From September 2017 to March 2018 (theme: "Cultural and social barriers to integration")
 2. From March 2018 to September 2018 (theme: "Prejudices and precarious individual situations")
 3. From September 2018 to January 2019 (theme: "Language barriers to integration")
 4. **From January 2019 to August 2019 (theme: "Lack of (public) places for inclusion activities")**
- Summary of the local process for the reporting period (max. 10 lines):

VIFIN met with our local panel 6th of March 2019. Here we told about the 3rd Transnational Event in Vejle and we prepared for the fourth Transnational Event in Etterbeck in June. During the meeting we had two presentations in relation to the topic of the 4th Transnational Event. One from the local library dealing with the library as a public place supporting social cohesion in the society, and one from a participant in the local panel about an association, she has created "Sommerfuglebevægelsen" ("The butterfly movement"), attempting to both to avoid loneliness in society and to maintain the amount of butterflies. The presentations were followed by a discussion on how to create the best public places so that they would support the social cohesion. The last part of the meeting was used to discuss a possible continuation of the local panel.

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

Successful elements:

- *Two very different and both interesting and relevant presentations, which gave new insights*
- *Getting new perspectives and thoughts during the discussion in continuation of the presentations.*
- *Getting feedback on the composition of the local panel – some finding it too broad to be relevant to continue, other finding that exactly the fact, that it dealt with diversity from many perspectives made it more valuable than networks only dealing with integration.*

Unsuccessful:

- *That we did not find a way to continue the local panel.*
- *Like for the second meeting a lower participation than in the beginning of the project, might be due to the broadness of the panel. But also several persons were ill on the day.*
- *That one of the planned participants for the Transnational Event had to cancel her participation due to illness. Luckily another one was willing to participate instead of her.*

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

The local panel meeting gave detailed information about one specific public place for inclusion activities. At the same time it did also show how unspecific places and different kind of activities can



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support inclusion in the society. The following up discussion gave input for recommendations, findings and conclusions.

- 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):

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

Motivation, reason of the visit(s):

Summary of the mission(s):

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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C. Local Process – Activities during the reporting period n°...

C.1. Activity 1

Name of the activity: Local Panel Meeting

Venue: VIFIN

Date: 06-03-19

Number of participants: 12

Attendance list:

0 **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:

0 **NO**:

0 **YES**:

Name(s) of the person(s):

Motivation, reason of the visit(s):

Type of activity:

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

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

0 Mixed (e.g. workshop, in-field visit...): Speech, individual work and plenum

Description of the activity (about 10 lines):

VIFIN met with our local panel 6th March 2019. Two presentations were given. One by Maria Graversen from Vejle Bibliotekerne (the local library), who told about the work they do to make the library a place, where you create relations and where you have a democratic free space. She gave examples of activities such as a language café, a crafting café, a Harry Potter fan club etc. The other presentation was by Susie Kierkegaard who has created: Sommerfuglebevægelsen. They have two goals: To maintain the amount of butterflies and at the same time prevent loneliness in society. The butterfly works well in this context, since it "is for all" and so do not create differences between people, and to support the butterfly they "build" places rich on flowers and at the same time a nice place to be for people.

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

From to two presentations the group agreed on the following five factors to be the most important ones to support social cohesion:

- *An open space, which all are able to access*
- *Legality – the same right for all to be there*
- *Physical places which opens up for possibilities*
- *Something to meet around*
- *The possibility to come and go when you want to – not too many restrictions.*



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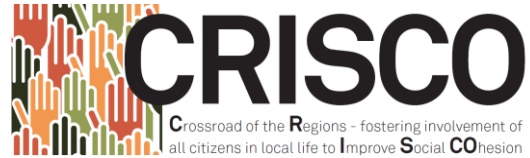
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The discussion led to four questions to reflect on:

- What is the need to know the rules around the place and how you act in the place?
- Do you need to have the way shown to you?
- How do you enter a community? What is the responsibility of the community and what is the responsibility of the individual?
- How do you secure the successful first meeting in a public space?

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

The topic was public places which is part of the subject of social cohesion and planned as one of the topics in CRISCO. It prepared for the international CRISCO event in June 2019.

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:

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

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C.2. Activity 2

Name of hte activity:

Venue:

Date:

Number of participants:

Attendance list:

0 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:

1 NO:

1 YES:

Name(s) of the person(s):

Motivation, reason of the visit(s):

Type of activity:

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

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

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

Description of the activity (max. 10 lines):

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

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

Other comments on the activity:

Annexes for the activity:

0 Signed attendance list

0 Signature(s) of the representative(s) of other partner(s) who came on visit at the activity

0 Pictures (obligatory – at least 5 per activity)

0 Evidence documents for the activity: invitation, meeting report, local on-line and paper press, leaflet...

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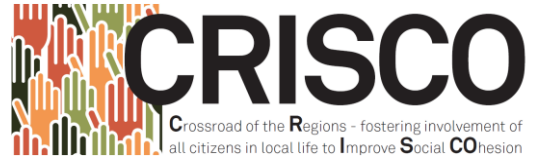
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C.3. Activity 3

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