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<b>Entry into force of the grant decision and duration</b>	01-09-2014 / 31-08-2016				
<b>Project description</b>	<p>Considered the alarmingly low turnout rate in EU elections in some countries where voting is not compulsory and the democratic deficit it causes across Europe, the present project aims to restore electoral faith among EU citizens.</p> <p>It will address the four main causes for low electoral participation found in collaboration with the project partners:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- lack of interest and of knowledge of the democratic workings of the EU</li> <li>- mistrust towards EU institutions</li> <li>-lack of sense of belonging to Europe.</li> </ul> <p>IDEA-C will consist of <b>13 local workshops</b> organised from each partner organization + <b>4 International events</b>.</p>				
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<b>Date of the 4 international meetings</b>	<p><b>1 Meeting:</b> Geraci Siculo, Italy 13-16 November 2014</p> <p><b>2 Meeting:</b> Budapest, Hungary 21-23 May 2015</p> <p><b>3 Meeting:</b> Bremen, Germany 18-20 September 2015</p> <p><b>4 Meeting:</b> Krakow, Poland 12-14 February 2016</p>																						
<b>Food and accommodation full board</b>	Provided and paid by the organizers of each events Accommodation in double rooms																						
<b>Project</b>	1. 1 web platform																						

<p><b>deliverables</b></p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>2. Selection of <b>national participants</b> that will attend to the international meetings (the exact number is specified into the Annex 3 Operational program )</li> <li>3. Attendance to the <b>4 international meetings</b> (exact number of participants from each organization is specified into the Annex 3 Operational program )</li> <li>4. Selection of <b>8 national experts</b></li> <li>5. <b>13 local workshops</b>, 1 per country organization (timetable of the local workshops is specified into the Annex 3 Operational program - details about the workshop will be provided during the event 1)</li> <li>6. 1 documentary, final product of dissemination</li> </ol>
<p><b>Summary of the event 1:</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Location: Geraci Siculo, (Palermo province) Italy</b></li> <li>• <b>Date: 13-16th November 2014</b></li> <li>• <b>Organization responsible</b> for the organization of this event: <b>Municipality of Geraci Siculo - Eprojectconsult</b></li> <li>• <b>Duration:</b> 2 days for travel + 2 days (kickoff + press conference + introductive discussion).</li> <li>• Aims and objectives: The event will start with a kick-off meeting</li> </ul> <p><b>DAY 1: kickoff meeting</b>  <b>Zwiazek Stowarzyszen MULTIKULTURA</b>, the Polish partner, will create a web platform that will be presented since it will serve as a help-desk for partners during the project implementation. Further uses of the platform will be mentioned under the event 4. It will follow a <b>press conference</b> with local stakeholders</p> <p><b>DAY 2:</b> Event open to public audience  Target: citizens under the age of 30 and between 30-65. About 101 - 125 participants in total with <b>33 foreign participants</b> + 1 expert from Bulgaria + 1 expert from Italy.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Content:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- importance of civic participation at EU level.</li> <li>- the motivational issue as to why electors should engage themselves;</li> <li>- the concept of democracy;</li> <li>- the way how politics affects our everyday life (use of concrete examples);</li> <li>- the misconception that it is useless to go to the polls.</li> </ul> </li> <li>• <b>Type of activity:</b> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1) kick-off meeting</li> <li>2) press conference</li> <li>3)mediated workshop</li> <li>4) informative session about the use of the web platform</li> <li>5) project documentation</li> <li>6) evaluation</li> </ol> </li> <li>• <b>Expected results:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- project goals disseminated through the kick-off meeting and press conference</li> <li>- distance between politics and participants minimized</li> <li>- greater understanding and basic knowledge of one's civic rights</li> </ul> </li> </ul>

	<p>and duties</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- greater awareness about the European turnout deficit</li> <li>- stronger insights into the current EU issues related to everyday life</li> <li>- stronger motivation for engagement in the democratic life of the EU (e.g. voting)</li> <li>- knowledge in the use of the web platform for partners</li> </ul>
<p><b>Summary of the event 2:</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Location: Budapest, Hungary</b></li> <li>• <b>Date: 21-23 of May 2015</b></li> <li>• Duration: 2 days for travel + 1 day for meeting</li> <li>• <b>Organization responsible for the organization of this event: Kistarcsa Város Önkormányzata</b></li> <li>• Target: mainly to citizens under the age of 30 and between 30-65. About 101 - 125 participants in total with 31 foreign participants + 1 expert from Slovenia + 1 expert from France.</li> <li>• Duration: 2 days for travel + 1 day of meeting (press conference, conferences, session about the dissemination, project documentation, evaluation).</li> <li>• <b>Content:</b> The focus is on the democratic workings of the EU. Conferences are held in Hungary, presenting among others the different modes of civic participation (e.g. voting), how the EP works and how its electoral processes influence how the EU is run. Among the invited people, Viktor Eszterhai, PhD, Budapest University of Technology and Economics, will held an interactive round table "the lessons from the 2014 European Parliamentary Elections and strategies to achieve a more vibrant democracy".</li> <li>• <b>Type of activity</b> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1)press conference</li> <li>2)introductory discussion</li> <li>3)conferences</li> <li>4)round table</li> <li>5)session about the dissemination</li> <li>6) project documentation</li> <li>7) evaluation</li> </ol> </li> <li>• <b>Expected results:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- stronger insights into the current EU issues related to everyday life and the Union policy making-process (including elections)</li> <li>- perception of a non-democratic working in the European Union tackled</li> <li>- knowledge about the various possibilities for active participation at EU level (e.g. voting) gained</li> <li>- conditions for democratic engagement at EU level improved</li> <li>- European citizenship fostered</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
<p><b>Summary of the event 3:</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Location: Bremen, Germany</b></li> <li>• <b>Date: 18/20 September 2015</b></li> <li>• <b>Duration:</b> 2 days for travel + 1 day for meeting</li> <li>• <b>Organization responsible for the organization of this event: M2C Institut für angewandte Medienforschung GmbH</b></li> </ul>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Target:</b> mainly to citizens under the age of 30 and between 30-65. About 76 - 100 participants in total with 26 foreign participants + 1 expert from Uk + 1 expert from Portugal.</li> <li>• <b>Content:</b> Local "project guides" (artists/experts) introduce the participants to local problems with EU dimensions of their interest (e.g. social inclusion, urban development) who have to create solutions by integrating actual and future EU policies and options for citizens' participation. A plenary session presents the results and proposals to be given to politicians, etc. Solutions are finally integrated into art, media or any form of cultural expressions.</li> <li>• <b>Type of activity</b> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1)conference</li> <li>2)introductory discussion</li> <li>3)playful workshops</li> <li>4)educational role play</li> <li>5)session about the dissemination</li> <li>6)project documentation</li> <li>7)evaluation</li> </ol> </li> <li>• <b>Expected results:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Stronger insights into the current EU issues related to everyday life</li> <li>- Greater openness towards intercultural dimensions and diversity</li> <li>- Knowledge of democratic tools and influence over e.g. the EP</li> <li>- Knowledge about European dimensions and policies</li> <li>- Greater encouragement of civic participation through creative format of the event</li> <li>- Greater dissemination of the results through artistic expression</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
<p><b>Summary of the event 4:</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Location: Krakow, Poland</b></li> <li>• <b>Organization responsible for the organization of this event: Związek Stowarzyszeń MULTIKULTURA</b></li> <li>• <b>Date: 12/14 February 2016, Krakow</b></li> <li>• <b>Duration:</b> 2 days for travel + 1 day for meeting</li> <li>• <b>Target:</b> mainly to citizens under the age of 30 and between 30-65. About 151 - 175 participants in total with 45 foreign participants + 1 expert from Spain + 1 expert from Greece.</li> <li>• <b>Content:</b> The project will end with a mediating event during which there will be the launching of a documentary about the project which will be used as dissemination tool. An informative session about the web platform featuring e.g. educational games promoting civic and democratic participation will be held. Interactive game around the city will involve a great audience of citizens. Finally a round table for the partners will focus on project results and follow up measures.</li> <li>• <b>Type of activity</b> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1)press conference</li> <li>2)introductory discussion</li> <li>3)educational role play</li> <li>4)dissemination activity (presentation of documentary)</li> <li>5)definition of follow up measures</li> </ol> </li> </ul>

	<p>6)documentation 7)evaluation</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Expected results:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- project's goals disseminated through the press conference</li> <li>- dissemination strategy via the web platform clarified</li> <li>- civic and democratic participation through educational content of the platform promoted</li> <li>- amount of people who are not active in the democratic life of the EU (e.g. voting) reached through the promotion of the project</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
<b>Budget distributed to the partners</b>	Described into the Annex 2 Detailed budget
<b>Payment to the organizations</b>	Each organization will receive the payment in 2 tranches as it will be determined into an internal agreement between the Municipality of Geraci Siculo and each organization.
<b>Publicity obligations</b>	The beneficiary and the partners shall use the logo and follow the instructions available on the following Internet website <a href="http://ec.europa.eu/research/pdf/eu_emblem_rules_2012.pdf">http://ec.europa.eu/research/pdf/eu_emblem_rules_2012.pdf</a>
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