

PROJECT ABSTRACT – 785683 – SPACEU2019

Call: REC-RCIT-CITI-AG-2017
Project Number: 785683
Project Acronym: SPACEU2019
Duration (months): 19

Project Title: Helping mobile EU citizens to exercise their political rights in European Parliamentary Elections 2019

Coordinator: EUROPEAN UNIVERSITY INSTITUTE
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Italy

Total Cost: €131.726,89

Grant Awarded: €105.379,40

Participant Name	Country	Participant Role	Grant Requested	%
EUROPEAN UNIVERSITY INSTITUTE	IT	COORDINATOR	73.184,87 €	69,45%
STATISTIKALABOR OÜ	EE	PARTICIPANT	32.194,53 €	30,55%
			105.379,40 €	

ABSTRACT:

SPACEU2019 is an online tool for the 2019 European Parliamentary Elections, specifically tailored for mobile EU citizens voting either in their country of citizenship or residence. It comes in a moment where the European transnational voting space will become ever more important. The project builds upon the applicant's previous projects EU Profiler (2009) and euandi (2014), and consists of two main pillars:

- an online Voting Advice Application that will allow millions of users to match their policy preferences with the positions of the political parties running for EP elections in all 27 Member States. This pillar focuses on the electoral contexts in which voters exercise their voting rights;
- an interactive database informing users on their electoral rights and to allow them to compare the conditions and requirements for participating in the political process of their country of residence and/or citizenship.

The main objective is to create a more aware European-wide, politically active citizenry that in the long-term will become a crucial ingredient in view of making EP elections more relevant and transnational. This may also help getting citizens out to vote in EP elections, traditionally prone to particularly low levels of turnout, one of the main problems of the so-called "democratic deficit" of the EU.

The project's activities consist in data collection, processing and integration of existing data (national legislations on electoral rights) prior to the 2019 EP elections; the implementation of the online tool, and the a series of dissemination activities in order to raise awareness about the project.

The main target group benefiting from SPACEU2019 are mobile as well as dual citizens, but also European citizens at large as the device will be open to all.

The deliverables are the SPACEU2019 website, a traditional and a social media campaign with a particular focus on those areas in Europe where the number of mobile EU citizens is comparatively higher.

PROJECT ABSTRACT – 785690 – IMPEU

Call: REC-RCIT-CITI-AG-2017
Project Number: 785690
Project Acronym: IMPEU
Duration (months): 24

Project Title: Improving Inclusion of EU Mobile Citizens

Coordinator: AGENZIA PER LO SVILUPPO DELL'EMPOLESE VALDELSA
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Total Cost: €457.232,90
Grant Awarded: €365.786,32

Participant Name	Country	Participant Role	Grant Requested	%
AGENZIA PER LO SVILUPPO DELL'EMPOLESE VALDELSA	IT	COORDINATOR	79.646,92 €	21,77%
ASTIKI MH KERSOSKOPIKI ETAREIA HELPING HAND	EL	PARTICIPANT	68.535,65 €	18,74%
DIMOS VRILISSION	EL	PARTICIPANT	43.420,39 €	11,87%
EUROPEAN CITIZEN ACTION SERVICE	BE	PARTICIPANT	82.354,10 €	22,51%
INSTITUT ZA PODGOTOVKA NA SLUJITELIV MEJDUNARODNI ORGANIZACII ZDRUZHENIE	BG	PARTICIPANT	40.510,80 €	11,07%
MAGENTA CONSULTORIA PROJECTS SL	ES	PARTICIPANT	51.318,46 €	14,03%
			365.786,32 €	

ABSTRACT:

OBJECTIVES

- Identify transferable best practices in facilitating access to EU citizens' rights, obstacles faced by EU mobile citizens and the training needs of officials to facilitate their participation
- Enhance the capacity of civil servants and relevant experts
- Foster the participation of EU mobile citizens with information provision through the establishment of mechanisms and awareness raising
- Provide policy-makers in all levels with evidence-based policy recommendations aiming at promoting active citizenship and democratic participation.

ACTIVITIES

- Identification of transferable best practices for EU mobile citizens, challenges and training needs of officials and experts
- Development of a training for civil servants and experts
- Establishment of IMPEU Participation Mechanisms for Citizens

- Awareness raising actions
- Generation of evidence-based insights contributing to policy-making

TYPE AND NUMBER OF PERSONS BENEFITING FROM THE PROJECT

- 1000 staff members of public authorities and relevant experts facilitating the effective exercise of EU citizenship rights
- 2500 EU mobile citizens
- 4000 EU citizens
- 200 policy-makers in all levels

EXPECTED RESULTS

- Increased capacity of national, regional and local experts in the participating countries
- Improved mechanisms facilitating social and political inclusion
- Improvement in the information provided to EU mobile citizens
- Contribution to policy-making and alignment of administrative practices

TYPE AND NUMBER OF DELIVERABLES TO BE PRODUCED

- Transferable good practices and policy recommendations
- 50 Q&A “Know Your Rights as EU citizen” for public officials
- Massive Open Online Course for civil servants and experts
- Q&A Citizen Toolkit “Know Your Rights as EU citizen” for EU Citizens—also as IMPEU web app.
- IMPEU physical and online info-kiosks for information provision.
- 60h online training with at least 1000 participants in total.
- 6 infodays with at least 600 participants in total,
- 12 roundtables with at least 7-10 participants in each roundtable meeting,
- 12 Citizens’ Dialogues with at least 7-10 participants in each meeting and
- 1 EU conference with at least 250 participants.

PROJECT ABSTRACT – 785727 – APPROACH

Call: REC-RCIT-CITI-AG-2017
Project Number: 785727
Project Acronym: APProach
Duration (months): 24

Project Title: Conncting EU mobile citizens with their welcoming cities

Coordinator: ASSOCIATION DES AGENCES DE LA DEMOCRATIE LOCALE
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Total Cost: €911.973,81

Grant Awarded: €729.579,04

Participant Name	Country	Participant Role	Grant Requested	%
ASSOCIATION DES AGENCES DE LA DEMOCRATIE LOCALE	FR	COORDINATOR	264.281,44 €	36,22%
CAMARA MUNICIPAL DE LISBOA	PT	PARTICIPANT	108.512,98 €	14,87%
COMMUNE DE PARIS	FR	PARTICIPANT	69.576,39 €	9,54%
COMMUNE D'ETTERBEEK	BE	PARTICIPANT	81.109,11 €	11,12%
COMUNE DI MILANO	IT	PARTICIPANT	70.346,08 €	9,64%
DIMOS NEAS SMYRNI	EL	PARTICIPANT	45.547,76 €	6,24%
VEJLE KOMMUNE	DK	PARTICIPANT	90.205,28 €	12,36%
			729.579,04 €	

ABSTRACT:

The APProach project aims at:

- A. facilitating the circulation of information and guidelines to promote the effective exercise of free movement rights of EU mobile citizens (EUMCs) living elsewhere in Europe and future mobile EU citizens, by
- B. studying the challenges faced by local authorities when welcoming EU mobile citizens and
- C. proposing efficient solutions. In particular, the APProach project focuses its attention on three aspects of EU citizens' mobility: access to vote, school enrolment and active participation in welcoming cities' life.

The project will:

- Form a strong consortium mixing EU small-medium-large size municipalities;
- Establish new direct communication channels between EUMCs and Municipalities, by involving already existing expats' networks;

- Assess the efficiency of provided services and existing challenges faced by each local authority when welcoming EUMCs;
- Exchange best practices;
- Develop a digital ecosystem (APP, online platform, community management, social media engagement) based on the relevant information collected during the first phase, which gathers step-by-step guidelines to facilitate EU mobile citizens' involvement in community decision making;
- Conduct a final assessment of the impact and effectiveness of the digital ecosystem developed;
- Train local authorities and EUMC on the use and promotion of the APP;
- Disseminate the project results (APP, platform, best practices, needs) at European level
- Promote EU active citizenship.

APProach project benefits approximately 60 people from municipalities' staff and around 7.500 EUMCs spread in all municipalities involved, with special emphasis on "non-active" EUMCs.

This 24-months pilot initiative contributes to promote civic values and active participation of EU mobile citizens in welcoming cities' life. After the pilot completion, the results and outputs of this project may be expanded to other cities in Europe.