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**Application:** 7262

**Title:** The'Living Rights' Project

**Coordinator:** Law Centres Network **Country:** UK

**Requested amount (EUR)**: 425.214,53

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**Summary:**

A collaboration of 2 national and 9 regional agencies who will provide information and advice to mobile European Citizens in UK. The agencies work in legal rights and civic participation, empowering individuals and promoting rights of EU Citizens at all levels.Objectives of the ‘Living Rights’ Project:

* promote participation and inclusion of ‘newly arrived’ EU Citizens by raising their awareness of the rights they hold as mobile EU Citizens in the UK;
* raise awareness of public workers on the barriers faced by EU Citizens to improve internal procedures within responsible authorities
* enable the resolution of day to day issues that prevent participation through a ‘one stop shop’ outreach information sessions;
* provide a forum at local level for civic participation;
* contribute to the development of evidence to inform EU level data on systemic barriers.

Activities:

* Deliver 60 Awareness Raising sessions to EU-Citizens on rights and services,
* Run 264 Outreach information sessions delivered locally to EU Citizens using a one stop shop approach;
* Deliver 64 Workshops for public officials in responsible authorities;
* 6 ‘Town Hall’ meetings for civic participation and understanding voting processes; Produce 2000 printed copies of Guide on How to Vote in UK;
* Recruitment of 8 Volunteer EU Citizens as project ‘Community Champions’; 2 Networking events for local and EU policy practitioners on systemic barriers. Gather intelligence data to feed into EU level academic research.

Type and number of persons benefiting from the project:

* 1098 EU Citizens who arrived in the UK within the past 5 years;
* 2220 EU Citizens assisted with resolution of day to day barriers;
* 604 Public officials from responsible authorities and 3rd sector agencies;
* 285 participants at 6 regional civic participation events
* 2000 printed copies of Guide on How to Vote in UK distributed at project events;
* 50 Frontline and EU level policy practitioners;

Expected results:

* EU Citizens will have increased awareness of their rights and confidence to take action themselves;
* 2220 EU Citizens better able to access local services;
* 604 Public officials and other service providers will better understand the needs of newly arrived EU Citizens;
* Official processes will become easier for project beneficiaries and their families;
* 2000 EU Citizens provided with practical information to participate in civic activities such as voting;
* Data and intelligence on systemic barriers captured for 50 national and EU level practitioners;
* 285 EU Citizens will understand UK civic processes and engage with local politicians;
* National and European level Policymakers will better understand how national and local policies help or hinder participation of EU Citizens in UK.

Type and number of outputs to be produced:

* 1098 photocopies of awareness raising materials (slides, handouts, information on local and regional services);
* 604 photocopies of workshop materials (slides, training notes, handouts, case studies) Notes from 264 Outreach ‘one stop shop’ sessions to 2220 EU
* An analysis report of data collected from 264 outreach sessions;
* 2000 copies A5 size (24 pages) pamphlet titled: ‘How to Vote in local and European Elections in the UK’ – A Guide for EU Citizens;
* Report on 6 ‘Town Hall’ meetings on ‘Civic participation’ outlining issues identified by EU Citizens as obstacles to their participation in this sphere;
* Agenda, notes and action plans from 2 practitioners networking meetings;
* Report on Workstream2,3 & 4 outlining emerging themes from each;
* Final project report outlining the outcomes of the project and way forward;

Partners:

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| East European Advice Centre | United Kingdom |
| Migrants Resource Centre | United Kingdom |
| New Europeans | United Kingdom |
| Avon & Bristol Law Centre | United Kingdom  |
| Coventry Law Centre (Birmingham Office) | United Kingdom  |
| Ipswich and Suffolk Council for Racial Equality | United Kingdom  |
| Derbyshire Law Centre | United Kingdom  |
| Newcastle Law Centre | United Kingdom  |
| Ethnic Minorities Law Centre (Scotland) | United Kingdom  |
| Lambeth Law centre | United Kingdom |

**Application:** 7263

**Title:** ACT Active Citizens Together

**Coordinator:** East of England and Local Government Association **Country:** UK

**Requested amount (EUR)**: 140.994,48

**Summary:**

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**1. Objectives**

* increase awareness of mobile EU citizens in the East of England (through ESOL courses and training sessions) of their right to vote in local and EU elections and ways of civic and political engagement
* encourage participation of mobile EU citizens in the East of England in civic and political life through a mentoring programme with local government councillors and others in public office who have roots in other Member States outside UK
* establish ‘Active Citizens Together’ network to continue civic and political engagement work after the project finishes
* share good practice with 11 other Strategic Migration Partnerships (SMPs) and other UK and EU organisations wanting to increase civic and political participation of mobile EU citizens in their areas

**2. Activities**

* developing an ESOL Entry Level 3 module for mobile EU citizens learning English as a Foreign Language on their rights in civic and political life
* distributing the module to colleges and EFL providers with a high intake of mobile EU citizens to include in their ESOL Entry Level 3 syllabus and briefing ESOL tutors
* advertising civic and political life engagement training through local organisations working in areas with high concentration of mobile EU citizens
* delivering training for mobile EU citizens with the help of these organisations on civic and political life engagement
* identifying councillors and others in public office with roots in other EU Member States who want to mentor mobile EU citizens
* identifying mobile EU citizens interested in involvement in civic and political life and participating in a mentoring and networking programme
* establishing an ‘Active Citizens Together’ network for mobile EU citizens to enable them to continue the project’s work after its completion

**3. Type and number of persons benefiting from the project (over 24 months):**

* ESOL class participants – 200
* ESOL tutors – 8
* organisations working with mobile EU citizens – 5
* training session participants - 200
* civic organisations mentoring programme participants - 15
* councillor mentoring programme participants - 5
* members of ‘Active Citizens Together’ network – 50
* participants of ‘Active Citizens Together’ conference – 30

**4. Expected results:**

* 70% of project participants will have increased awareness of their civic and political rights (confirmed by feedback forms)
* 60% of project participants will intend to register to vote in local and EU elections (confirmed by feedback forms)
* 70% of project participants will have a better understanding of local political and civic life (confirmed by feedback forms)
* 10% of training sessions participants will express interest in engagement in local civic and political life and will participate in the mentoring/shadowing programme (confirmed by feedback forms)
* the project will add to a ‘good practice knowledge bank’ across Member States on civic engagement, through the production and dissemination of generic materials

**5. Type and number of outputs of the project:**

* Training material package produced - ESOL module on civic and political engagement for EU participants of ESOL Entry Level 3 course (equivalent to B1) or above
* Briefing delivered to 8 ESOL tutors
* ESOL module delivered to 200 EU participants
* Programme for civic and political engagement training for mobile EU citizens designed
* Briefing for 5 migrant support organisations with highest numbers of EU residents in their area delivered
* 20 training sessions for 200 mobile EU citizens delivered
* 15 one-to-one shadowing sessions run by civic organisations members for 15 mobile EU citizens
* 5 one-to-one mentoring sessions run by local government councillors for 5 mobile EU citizens
* project website created
* ‘Active Citizens Together’ network established
* 5 editions of ‘Active Citizens Together’ newsletter published
* 'Active Citizens Together' conference organised to plan next steps

**Application:** 7269

**Title:** ONTHEMOVE "The reality of free movement for young European citizens migrating in times of crisis"

**Coordinator:** Centre For European Constitutional Law - **Country:** Greece

**Requested amount (EUR)**: 492.061,26

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**Summary:**

The freedom to move and reside freely within the EU allows every European citizen to live and work in another MS. This right has been increasingly used during the financial crisis by young Europeans who migrated to seek work and life opportunities in countries that offer better prospects. While EU citizens value highly the freedom of movement, the reality looks more complicated: several barriers occur before, during or after moving and problems are reported in relation to legislation, administrative procedures but also stereotypes and discriminatory practices.

**1. Objectives.**

The project **objective** is to look into the reality of free movement from the viewpoint of young Europeans (age 25-35) who exercise or plan to exercise this right and:

* Identify real and perceived obstacles and barriers that they face;
* Identify practices that promote or hinder the enjoyment of this right;
* Raise awareness within young people on their rights and within national and EU bodies on barriers and ways to address them;
* Propose solutions (legislative and non-legislative) for making the right to free movement effective.

**2. Activities.**

Legal and empirical research in 15 EU MS that have experienced increased outgoing migration (GR, CY, ES, PT, PL, EE, BG, RO,) or incoming migration (DE, BE, AT, NL, UK, FR, IT) in the last 4 years.

**WS1: Coordination & research preparation**

* 3 coordination meetings;
* Elaboration of research guidelines & research and analysis tools.

**WS2: Data collection and analysis**

* Desktop research for the situation of young people and their tendency to move;
* Analysis of relevant legislation;
* Field research / interviews with young people who have exercised or plan to exercise their right to free movement and a small sample of representatives from national authorities;
* National reports highlighting the findings.

**WS3: Cross country and comparative analysis**

* Analysis of the data collected at the level of individual experiences;
* Cross country analysis;
* Comparative analysis;
* Recommendations for national and EU authorities.

**WS4: Capacity building, awareness raising and dissemination**

* Best practice manual for local, regional and national authorities;
* Manual addressing ‘myths’ and stereotypes for young people who wish to move across Europe;
* Workshop with EU officials and young people from across Europe.
* Website & social media;
* Electronic newsletter;
* National awareness events.

**3. Type and number of persons benefiting from the project.**

* Young Europeans (age 25-35)who exercise or wish to exercise their rights to free movement:
	+ 450-750 young people will participate in field research,
	+ 5-15 youngsters will participate in workshop in Brussels
	+ At least 1000 youngsters will participate in national awareness events and receive the manual.
* Local, regional and national authorities dealing with free movement in MS:
	+ At least 100 national officials will participate in the research and awareness events and will receive the best practice manual
* EU Institutions competent on free movement:
	+ At least 50 people from EU institutions will receive the project deliverables; 5 will participate in the workshop.

**4. Expected results.**

* Improve the knowledge and awareness of national and EU authorities on barriers to free movement faced by young people;
* Increase the awareness of young EU citizens on the possibilities for free movement;
* Propose evidence-based solutions for eliminating barriers to free movement at national and european levels and collect and disseminate good practices.

**5. Type and number of outputs to be produced.**

* 15 National reports;
* 1 report on individual experiences of young people on the move;
* 4 cross country reports;
* 1 comparative report;
* Recommendations;
* Best practice manual for national authorities;
* Manual addressing myths within young people;
* Minutes of seminar in Brussels;
* 15 awareness events;
* Website;
* Newsletter.

**Partners:**

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| European Training & Resource Centre for Human Rights & Democracy | Belgium |
| Centre for Sociological Research, KU Leuven | Belgium |
| Center for the Study of Democracy | Bulgaria |
| SYMFILIOSI | Cyprus |
| Institute of Baltic Studies  | Estonia |
| French Institute for Human Rights and Civil Liberties | France |
| EFMS,Institute at the University of Bamberg | Germany |
| COSPE Cooperation for the Development of Emerging Countries | Italy |
| Art.1, kenniscentrum discriminatie | The Netherlands |
| Helsinki Foundation for Human Rights Danuta Przywara | Poland |
| CESIS Centro de Estudos para a Intervencao Social | Portugal |
| Association Institute for Public Policy (IPP) | Romania |
| Comillas Pontifical University | Spain |
| Institute of Advanced Legal Studies, University of London | United Kingdom |

**Application:** 7283

 **Title:** Participation Matters Fostering civic and political engagement of mobile EU citizens

**Coordinator:** Cooperation For The Development of Emerging Countries **- Country**: Italy

**Requested amount (EUR)**: 279.953,08

**Summary:**

Objectives

General objective: to foster the successful inclusion and participation of mobile EU citizens in the host EU country's civic and political life

Specific objectives:

* to improve the knowledge and expertise of local authorities on this topic and enhance their contribution to a greater political inclusion of EU mobile citizens
* to improve knowledge, increase awareness and promote active engagement of European mobile citizens and their associations on the political rights linked to the status of European citizen
* to boost the role of political parties and national authorities in removing the obstacles to political participation of European mobile citizens
* to raise awareness of the general public on the political rights deriving from European citizenship

Activities

* **Participatory meetings with local authorities,** addressed to civil servants working in demographic/electoral offices of municipalities.
* **Testing of innovative procedures and practices** in 10 municipalities in each country.
* -15 **Digital storytelling videos** produced, to give value to the personal stories of political engagement and civic participation of EU mobile citizens. A common **European video** produced using the best national videos.
* **Awareness raising initiatives organized with EU Movers organizations**: 3 participatory meetings with associations, aimed to identify innovative events and actions, and about 18 awareness raising events organized in tight cooperation with the EU movers associations.
* **Social media campaign**: Facebook pages will be created in each country partner in order to carry out a real ‘social’ campaign targeted to EU movers.
* **Training course for candidates or potential candidates** - 6 training courses of ‘education to politics’ addressed to EU mobile citizens who have a strong interest in direct political participation .
* **Drafting** of Guidelines for local authorities, Handbook for EU mobile citizens, European Handbook on best practices.
* Organization of an **European** **exchange meeting** of good practices.
* **Awareness raising and advocacy meetings** with political parties and national authorities.

Type and number of persons benefiting from the project

Direct beneficiaries of the activities of the project will be:

* 144 civil servants;
* 36 representatives of EU movers associations involved in participatory meetings and events
* 90 potential candidates involved in the training of “Education to Politics”
* EU mobile citizens: 1080 participating to the public events, 19.500 reached by the information material spread by the project, 3600 reached through the Facebook pages
* 24 national authorities and political parties will be the target of the advocacy activities.

Expected results

* Local authorities’ role in spreading information on political rights of EU movers and in introducing procedures aimed at facilitating the right to vote and to stand as candidates of EU movers implemented;
* knowledge and awareness of EU mobile citizens, as individuals and associations, on their political rights enhanced;
* awareness at local and national level on the need to promote better information about and exercise of voting rights raised.

Type and number of outputs to be produced

* 36 participatory meetings with local authorities
* New practices/procedures tested in 30 municipalities
* 15 digital storytelling videos and an European video
* 3 meetings with 12 representatives of UE movers associations each
* 18 events with an estimated number of 1080 participants
* at least 3 Facebook pages created
* 6 training courses addressed to 15 potential candidates each
* 15000 brochures printed
* 3000 handbooks for EU mobile citizens printed
* Guidelines for local authorities (electronic)
* European handbook on best practices (electronic)
* 1 European exchange meeting
* 24 awareness raising and advocacy meetings with political parties and national authorities

**Partners:**

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| AFIES - Fund. Asistencial para la Formacion Investigacio | Spain |
| INSPIRE - Verein für Bildung und Management | Austria |
| ANCI Toscana | Italy |
| ANCI Emilia Romagna | Italy |

**Application:** 7284

**Title:** Energising mobile citizens' participation

**Coordinator:** Centre for Public Policy Providus **Country:** Latvia

**Requested amount (EUR)**: 81.421,26

**Summary:**

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Objectives

* To assess the extent of and limits to participation of mobile EU citizens in Ireland, with partucular focus on EU-13 citizens, and to analyse how the efforts to stimulate mobile citizens’ participation can be improved;
* To develop more effective ways of stimulating participation among EU citizens in Ireland and to pilot these new approaches at local level with representatives of Latvian, Lithuanian and Polish citizens;
* To develop recommendations for improving participation of mobile EU citizens in host countries and to present these recommendations to stakeholders and EU policy makers.

Activities

The project shall:

* Analyse current practices in promoting participation in political life (e.g. local elections) among EU-13 citizens living in Ireland, and identify barriers and opportunities;
* Promote participation by directly addressing Latvian, Lithuanian and Polish communities in Ireland (training for community leaders, pilot shadowing programme, brochure, interactive online test);
* Develop and present a policy brief with recommendations on how to improve participation of EU-13 citizens in EU-15 countries to EU policy makers.

Type and number of persons benefiting from the project :

* Citizens of Latvia, Lithuania and Poland currently living in Ireland (52000 Latvians, 122000 Poles, 85000 Lithuanians) and other mobile citizens living in Ireland;
* Local authorities and policy makers in Ireland: 2-3 local authorities (Dublin, Cork and possibly Waterford);
* Participants of the training for community leaders: 30-45 migrant community leaders (mobile EU citizens and 3rd country nationals);
* Participants of the event in Brussels: EU policy makers.

Secondary target groups include community groups, civil society organisations, national public bodies.

Expected results

- Evidence-based analysis on participation of EU citizens in Ireland and best practices to improve participation, including awareness on barriers and opportunities;

By producing a representative study and an analysis of best practices, the project will improve stakeholders’ and policy makers knowledge about participation and limits to participation, and will suggest ways for improvement.

- New best practices developed for energising mobile citizens to participate

By developing seminars and training programme and creating a shadowing programme for local community leaders of mobile citizens, the project will improve awareness and participation habits, and will develop practices that can be later used by others.

* Policy recommendations

By developing recommendations for EU policy makers how to support the partcipation of mobile EU citizens in host countries, the project will contribute to policy improvement.

Type and number of outputs to be produced

* 1 extensive analytical study with recommendations
* 3 training programmes for up to 15 community leaders (in each programme) in Ireland
* 1 brochure (3000 copies) and 1 interactive test for EU nationals about the role of local authorities and the opportunities to participate in Ireland;
* 1 policy brief and 1 advocacy event in Brussels to promote recommendations to improve participation.

**Partners:**

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| Foundation Institute of Public Affairs | Poland |
| Diversity Development Group | Lithuania |
| Leinster Latvian Community (LELAB) | Ireland |

**Application** 7316

**Title:** One-stop-shops for the political participation of mobile EU citizens

**Coordinator**: Migration Policy Group – **Country**: Belgium

 **Requested amount (EUR)**: 89.621,20

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**Summary:**

Objectives

* Inform and encourage mobile EU citizens to take up rights and opportunities to participate in their host EU country’s civic and political life
* Develop and promote the exchange and dissemination of innovative community-based methods based on best available research and practice
* Raise policymakers’ awareness of the reasons, procedural/practical obstacles and interests for mobile EU citizens to use these rights and opportunities

Activities

* Training of partners on mobile EU citizens’ rights and opportunities to participate in their host EU country’s civic and political life
* Exchange between partners on most effective awareness-raising methods
* Training of 50-80 local EU citizen-run/-support NGOs on mobile EU citizens’ political rights/opportunities
* One-stop-shop information events on political participation, in partnership with local EU citizen-run/-support NGOs and involving significant media/community outreach
* Data gathering and analysis of mobile EU citizens’ reasons, obstacles and main political interests/issues
* Quantitative and qualitative analysis of efficiency and effectiveness of community-based methods
* Drawing lessons learned for future information campaigns based on evaluation’s findings

Type and number of persons benefiting from the project

The project will run in 3 countries: Belgium, Ireland and the United Kingdom

* 50-80 local EU citizen-run/-support NGOs trained on mobile EU citizens’ political rights/opportunities and innovative one-stop-shop information events
* Thousands of mobile EU citizens reached through at least 26 announcements of events (2 per event), in media/information sources
* 5250 mobile EU citizen participants (2400 in Belgium, 2400 in Ireland, 450 in the UK) informed through one-stop-shop information events (targeting the major and long-settled EU nationalities). More specifically:

🡪 Belgium: 2400 mobile EU citizens, especially Italians, Bulgarians, Poles and Romanians, informed through 6 events in Brussels (1 each in Anderlecht, Brussels-City and Schaerbeek), Charleroi (1) and Liege with outreach in Verviers (1)

🡪 Ireland: 2400 mobile EU citizens, especially Bulgarians, Poles, Latvians, Lithuanians and Romanians, informed through 6 events in Dublin (3 events), Cork (2) and Limerick (1)

🡪 United Kingdom: 450 mobile EU citizens, especially Bulgarians, Lithuanians, Poles and Romanians, informed through 5 NGO meet-ups, 3 local community ‘salons’ and 1 major one-stop-shop in London

* At least 120 policymakers and major policy actors (30 per country and at EU level) informed of mobile EU citizens’ reasons and obstacles for political participation
* At least 300 practitioners (50 per country and 150 in other EU Member States) informed of most effective community-based methods

Expected results

* 50% of surveyed mobile EU citizens reached during one-stop-shop information events take at least one step during the project period to use their political rights/opportunities
* All NGO partners commit to repeat these events in the future
* Local/national authorities implement recommendations and community-based methods into their ongoing practices

Type and number of outputs to be produced

* 1 training among partners on mobile EU citizens’ political rights/opportunities
* 1 exchange between partners on effective awareness-raising methods based on best national/EU practices in this area
* 3 trainings/community meetings (1 per country) of 50-80 local EU citizen-run/-support NGOs on mobile EU citizens’ political rights/opportunities
* 13 one-stop-shop information events held in total in the three EU Member States (6 in Belgium, 6 in Ireland, 1 in the UK)
* 13 press releases about the one-stop-shop events
* 1 comparative study report on mobile EU citizens’ reasons, obstacles and main political interests for political participation
* 1 evaluation report on the efficiency and effectiveness of the events’ community-based methods
* 1 handbook for practitioners on how to organise these events and methods

**Partners:**

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| European Citizen Action Service (ECAS) | Belgium |
| Objectif | Belgium |
| Immigrant Council of Ireland (ICI) | Ireland |
| Nasc, the Irish Immigrant | Ireland |
| Support Centre | Ireland |
| Migrants Rights Network (MRN) | UK |