

EVENT DESCRIPTION SHEET

PROJECT	
Project name and acronym:	Forwarding Democratic EU Participation — FORCEP
Participant:	NYUGAT-PANNON TERULET-ES GAZDASAGFEJLESZTESI SZOLGALTATO KOZHASZNU NONPROFIT KORLATOLT FELELOSSEGU TARSASAG (Westpannon)
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EVENT DESCRIPTION			
Event number:	7		
Event name:	Seminar 1: Unemployed Active citizenship: Time for Activation!		
Type:	Seminar		
In situ/online:	in-situ		
Location:	Szombathely, Hungary		
Date(s):	24/04/2024 – 26/04/2024		
Website(s) (if any):	https://www.forcep.eu/newsfeed		
Participants			
Female:	11		
Male:	16		
Non-binary:	0		
From country 1 [Hungary]:	16		
From country 2 [Romania]:	8		
From country 3 [Croatia]:	3		
Total number of participants:	27	From total number of countries:	3
Description			
<i>Provide a short description of the event and its activities.</i>			
<p>The "Seminar 1: Unemployed Active Citizenship: Time for Activation!" was held from April 24-26, 2024, in Szombathely, Hungary. This seminar aimed to address current labor market challenges, particularly post-COVID-19 trends, and to explore strategies for activating unemployed citizens' participation in the labor market and community.</p> <p>On April 24, participants arrived in Szombathely between 12:00 and 18:00 and checked into their accommodations. This was followed by a joint dinner from 19:00 to 21:00, allowing attendees to meet and network in a relaxed setting, setting the tone for the collaborative discussions ahead.</p>			

The main sessions began on April 25 at the Westpannon HQ with participant registration from 9:00 to 9:30. The seminar officially opened at 9:30 with welcoming words from the hosting city and organization, along with brief introductions of the attending partners. This introductory session fostered a welcoming and collaborative atmosphere.

From 10:00 to 10:30, a presentation was given on the current issues of the labor market and employment in Hungary, providing a contextual foundation for the day's discussions. This was followed by a session from 10:30 to 11:00 on the role and results of employment pacts in Hungary, highlighting successful initiatives and collaborations aimed at improving employment rates.

At 11:00, a presentation on post-COVID-19 employment trends, with a specific focus on Szombathely, provided insights into the local labor market's recovery and ongoing challenges. This session concluded with a Q&A segment from 11:30 to 12:00, allowing participants to engage directly with the presenters and clarify any questions.

After a lunch break from 12:00 to 13:30, the afternoon session resumed with a presentation from 13:30 to 14:00 on the policy concept of the active social citizen in the EU and Hungary. This was followed by a session from 14:00 to 14:30 on citizen initiatives aimed at involving disadvantaged groups in the labor market, showcasing grassroots efforts and community-driven projects.

From 14:30 to 15:00, participants discussed the successes and failures of local employment policy in Szombathely, providing a critical evaluation of past and current strategies. A Q&A session from 15:00 to 15:30 allowed for further discussion and participant engagement.

After a coffee break from 15:30 to 16:00, the seminar featured a roundtable discussion from 16:00 to 17:00, where participants exchanged knowledge and experiences, brainstorming innovative initiatives to activate citizen participation in the labor market. The day's formal sessions concluded with a summary and closing remarks from 17:00 to 17:30. The evening ended with another joint dinner from 19:00 to 21:00, providing further opportunities for networking and informal discussions among participants.

On the final day, April 26, participants embarked on a city tour from 9:30 to 12:00, exploring Szombathely's historical sites, including Iseum Savariense and Savaria Museum. This cultural experience allowed participants to engage with the local heritage and provided a relaxing conclusion to the seminar. The seminar officially ended with a joint lunch from 12:00 to 13:00, followed by the departure of participants starting at 13:00. This seminar provided a comprehensive platform for discussing labor market challenges, sharing successful initiatives, and fostering active citizenship among the unemployed, within the context of the broader European Union framework.

The agenda of the 'Seminar 1 - Unemployed Active citizenship: Time for Activation!' is presented below:

Date: 24/04/2024 to 26/04/2024

Time Slot / Session

Day 1 – Szombathely, Hungary:

12:00 – 18:00: Arrival of the participants in Szombathely, check-in to the accommodation

19:00 – 21:00: Joint dinner

Day 2 – Szombathely, Hungary:

09:00 – 09:30: Registration – arrival of the participants

09:30 – 10:00: Welcoming words by the hosting city and hosting organization – short introduction of the attending partners

10:00 – 10:30: Current issues of labor market and employment in Hungary

10:30 – 11:00: The role and results of employment pacts in Hungary

11:00 – 11:30: Post-COVID trends in employment (with specific regard to Szombathely)

11:30 – 12:00: Questions and answers

12:00 – 13:30: Lunch break

13:30 – 14:00: Representation of the policy concept of the active social citizen in the EU and particularly in Hungary

14:00 – 14:30: Citizen initiatives to involve disadvantaged groups in the labor market

14:30 – 15:00: Successes and failures of the local employment policy in Szombathely

15:00 – 15:30: Questions and answers

15:30 – 16:00: Coffee break

16:00 – 17:00: Roundtable discussion - exchange of knowledge and experiences, figuring out innovative active citizens initiatives

17:00 – 17:30: Conclusion and closure of the meeting

19:00 – 21:00: Joint dinner

Day 3 – Szombathely, Hungary:

09:30 – 12:00: City tour – walking tour in Szombathely, visiting Iseum Savariense and Savaria Museum

12:00 – 13:00: Joint lunch

13:00: Departure of the participants

Dissemination and Publication's Links on the organizations/municipalities' websites:

<http://www.nevlnadnik.info/si/novice/?id=18859>

<https://kalnik.hr/forcep-1-seminar-aktivno-gradanstvo-nezaposlenih-vrijeme-je-za-aktivaciju-u-madarskoj/>

https://www.comune.penne.pe.it/index.php?option=com_content&view=article&layout=edit&id=1211

https://www.comune.penne.pe.it/index.php?option=com_content&view=article&layout=edit&id=1204

<https://westpannon.hu/news/292-forcep-meeting-in-szombathely>

<https://crea360.es/proyectos/proyectos-fondos-europeos/>

Dissemination and Publication's Links on Social Media:

<https://www.facebook.com/photo/?fbid=887063280122073&set=a.623775123117558>

https://www.facebook.com/photo/?fbid=780749227545175&set=pb.100068303142528.-2207520000&locale=el_GR

D7.2 Seminar Plan is available at : <https://www.forcep.eu/thematic-events>.

HISTORY OF CHANGES		
VERSION	PUBLICATION DATE	CHANGE
1.0	01.04.2022	Initial version (new MFF).