

EVENT DESCRIPTION SHEET

EVENT DESCRIPTION	
Event number:	1
Event name:	Sensibilization Event
Type:	Conference
In situ/online:	IN SITU
Location:	The Netherlands, Utrecht Italy, Siena Republic of Serbia, Belgrade
Date(s):	10 September 2024 18 September 2024 26 September 2024
Website(s) (if any):	
Participants	
Female:	62
Male:	73
Non-binary:	0
From country 1:	THE NETHERLANDS
From country 2 :	ITALY
From country 3:	REPUBLIC OF SERBIA

PROJECT	
Participant:	1 – Nuova Associazione Culturale Ulisse – NACU 2- Unversziteteska Biblioteka Svetozar Markovic – UBSM 3 - Universiteit Utrecht - UCU
PIC number:	1- 895783652 2- 930863217 3- 999985805
Project name and acronym:	Migrants and Local communities Actively GROWing together for inclusive societies –

MILAGRO

Total number of participants: 135

From total number of countries: 3

Description

Provide a short description of the event and its activities.

SENSIBILIZATION EVENT IN UTRECHT, NL, 10 SEPTEMBER 2024

The 2-hours long event provided participants with an overview of the aims of the MILAGRO project in the framework of the EU CERV funding program, and its Citizens and Engagement strand. It was hosted in one of the neighbourhood centres where the local civil associations organise activities for asylum-seekers, status-holders and people living in that neighbourhood.

The priorities of the project within this strand were outlined, followed by the aimed impact and description of the multiple activities that will be organised in Utrecht, as well as across the three partner's locations. Two of the local community partners (Common Frames and Online Coaching Academy) presented the aims and scope of their organisations, and their interest in collaborating with Utrecht University in the project.

The formal meeting was concluded with an informal social event.

Participating associations and organisations: **Het Welkomhuis/Dock** (DOCK supports people in taking initiatives by establishing contact between residents and organisations in the neighbourhood); **Het Wilde Westen** (cultural centre supporting citizens' artistic and cultural initiatives); **Common Frames** (film and media projects with (young) newcomers); the **Online Coaching Center / Online Coaching Academy** (trained student-coaches guide students at Utrecht University in their personal development and personal growth); **Utrecht University/University College Utrecht**. Furthermore, there were two interested **citizens**.

Here some pictures of the local event:



SENSIBILIZATION EVENT IN SIENA, IT, 18 SEPTEMBER 2024

The 2-hour long event was hosted in one of the most beautiful halls of the mediaeval Public Palace in the heart of the Siena, and under the auspices of the Municipality. The Conference provided participants with an overview of the aims of the MILAGRO project in the framework of the EU CERV funding program, and its Citizens and Engagement strand.

The priorities and objectives of the project were outlined, followed by the aimed impact and description of the multiple activities that will be organised in Siena, as well as across the three partner's locations.

Representatives from the local institutions (namely the Municipality of Siena) and from local associations and organisations gave their precious contribution to the conference: they detailed the current situation concerning migrants, and especially Pakistani asylum seekers in the territory of Siena, and presented some of their activities. The participants included representatives from: **NACU, UBSM and SIS Intercultural Study Abroad** (coordinator, partner and associated partner of the project), the **Municipality of Siena, the local mosque, the University of Siena, the University for foreigners of Siena, Episcopal Church of Florence**, as well as from local organisations and associations offering services such as accommodation, health services, clothes, food supply etc. to migrants and asylum seekers in Siena (**SISolidal network, Corte dei Miracoli, Misericordia di Siena, Ambulatorio Solidale, Refugees Welcome, Caritas, Cooperativa Sociale Pangea, VersoLab, ANMIC**), and from local migrant community. Representatives of the migrant community recounted their experience lived in Siena so far.

The participants in the event also included local citizens and citizens from the Pakistani and African communities in Siena.

The formal meeting was concluded with an informal social event: a light dinner held at the Oratorio Salesiano La Magione that serves as a migrant shelter, offered by NACU and prepared by some of the Pakistani migrants. Both the formal and the informal parts of the event represented an invaluable opportunity for local citizens and migrants to come together, exchange experiences and get to know each other in a more conscious and profound way.

Here some pictures of the local event:



SENSIBILIZATION EVENT IN BELGRADE, 26 SEPTEMBER 2024

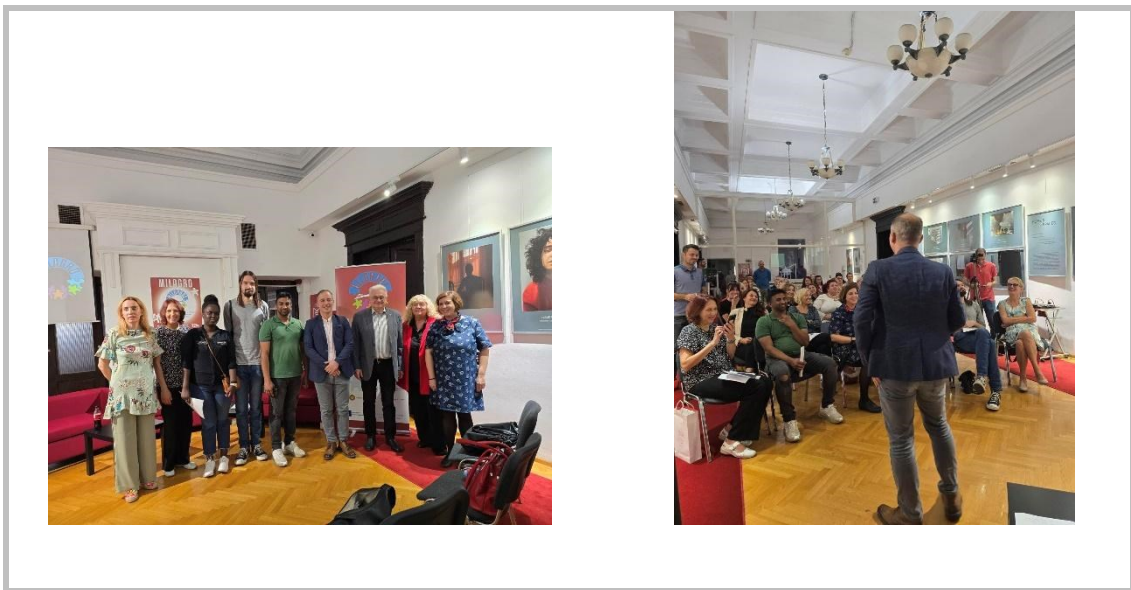
The two-hour Sensibilization event in the University Library Belgrade served to acquaint all those present with the basic idea of the MILAGRO project, its goals, activities and expected results. The event was held on September 26, 2024 in the University Library, starting at 12.00. The event was attended by people who are already dealing with this topic from various organisations both from the state and non-governmental sector, as well as representatives of the migrants themselves. In total, over 50 people were present, including members of the project team. The event was opened by the director of the University Library Belgrade, and then the local coordinator introduced all those present with the details of the project. After that, representatives of local partners addressed the audience, namely: the Commissioner for Protection of Equality of the Republic of Serbia, as well as representatives of the NGO "Terraforming" from Novi Sad and the Asylum Protection Centre from Belgrade. They presented their organizations, their own experience related to the topic and briefly presented the activities they intend to undertake within the MILAGRO project.

After that, a representative of the migrants themselves, Shakil Aslam from Pakistan addressed the audience and on that occasion told his experience and presented several interesting proposals. His address was accompanied by frequent applause of support. This was followed by questions from the audience, who were very interested in getting involved and supporting the project. This ended the formal part of the event, so we moved on to an informal conversation of all present, with selected specialties - symbolically - of Asian and Serbian food. This informal conversation lasted two hours, which speaks volumes about the level of interest of all present and the very good atmosphere throughout the duration of the event. The event ended with an organized tour of the library for all present members of the migrant population.

The event was also attended by journalists from the Serbian Broadcasting Corporation (RTS), who arranged for a representative of migrants to appear in the widely watched Morning Program of the Serbian Broadcasting Corporation.

Among others, the event was attended by representatives of the following NGOs who are interested in participating in the project: Terraforming, Asylum Protection Centre, IDEAS, Centre for Youth Integration, Belgrade Centre for Human Rights, Centre for the Culture of Peace. The event was also attended by representatives of the Serbian Red Cross and expressed their willingness to participate, as well as the aforementioned Office of the Commissioner for Protection of Equality of the Republic of Serbia. The event was also attended by interested colleagues from the University Library, as well as from the National Library of Serbia.





Attachments:

- 1- Sensibilization Event Agenda in Utrecht
- 2- Sensibilization Event Agenda in Siena
- 3- Sensibilization Event Agenda in Belgrade



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MILAGRO KICK-OFF EVENT



WHEN

10 September 2024

15:00 - 17:00 followed by drinks

WHERE

Het Wilde Westen
Theater room

Everard Meijsterlaan 1b , Utrecht

MILAGRO: Migrants and Local communities Actively GROWing together for inclusive societies in collaboration with LOCAL CIVIC ORGANIZATIONS
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**INTERNATIONAL
PROJECT (2 YEAR)**

**COUNTRIES
THE NETHERLANDS
(UTRECHT UNIVERSITY)
ITALY
SERBIA**

PROGRAM

- presentation of project aims and activities
- presentation of local partners
- Movie *We komen van ver* by Common Frames (English subtitles)

LOCAL PARTNERS

Gemeente Utrecht
Het Wilde Westen
Common Frames
Welkom in Utrecht
Dock | Welkomhuis
University College Utrecht
De Voorkamer

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MILAGRO project KICK-OFF EVENT
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14. Ex Presidente Federsolidarietà regionale e volontaria
15. Rappresentanti della Chiesa Episcopale di Saint James, Firenze
16. Studente di SIS Intercultural Study Abroad: Mostra fotografica “It’s a process”
17. Rappresentanti della Comunità pakistana a Siena
18. Squadra di Cricket, Siena
19. Rappresentante della comunità africana a Siena: Rapporti fra migranti pakistani e migranti africani

A seguire, dalle 17 in poi, merenda preparata dai volontari della Comunità pakistana e offerta dalla Nuova Associazione Culturale Ulisse presso l’Oratorio di San Pietro alla Magione - Via Malta 1 (Siena):

- Introduzione alle tradizioni culinarie pakistane a cura di un rappresentante della comunità pakistana.



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u okviru CERV (Citizens, Equality, Rights and Values) programa

Bulevar kralja Aleksandra, 1. sprat
Četvrtak 26.09.2024.

11.00-12.00: Kafa dobrodošlice i registracija učesnika

12.00-12.15: Pozdravna reč prof. dr Aleksandra Jerkova, direktora Univerzitetske biblioteke

12.15-12.45: Dr Vasilije Milnović, lokalni koordinator projekta: "Šta je Milagro: ciljevi, zadaci i aktivnosti projekta"

12.45-13.15: Predstavljanje lokalnih partnera

13.15-13.45: Obraćanje prisutnih predstavnika migrantske populacije

13.45-14.00: Zaključci

14.00-16.00: Razgovor uz degustaciju azijske hrane



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University library “Svetozar Marković”, Belgrade

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Bulevar kralja Aleksandra, 1st floor
Thursday, 26.09.2024.

11.00-12.00: Welcome coffee and participation registration

12.00-12.15: Welcome speech prof. Aleksandar Jerkov, director of the University library

12.15-12.45: Dr Vasilije Milnović, local project coordinator: “What is Milagro: objectives, tasks and project activities”

12.45-13.15: Presentations of local partners

13.15-13.45: Speech of present members of migrants

13.45-14.00: Conclusion

14.00-16.00: Chat and degustation of Asian food