

EVENT DESCRIPTION SHEET

PROJECT	
Project name and acronym:	Forwarding Democratic EU Participation — FORCEP
Participant:	Social Innovation and Cohesion Institute (Fifty-Fifty)
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EVENT DESCRIPTION	
Event number:	8
Event name:	Seminar 1 : Unemployed Active citizenship: Time for Activation!
Type:	Seminar
In situ/online:	in-situ
Location:	Thessaloniki, Greece
Date(s):	23/04/2024 – 24/04/2024
Website(s) (if any):	https://www.forcep.eu/newsfeed
Participants	
Female:	12
Male:	13
Non-binary:	0
From country 1 [Greece]:	15
From country 2 [Slovenia]:	5
From country 3 [Italy]:	4
From country 4 [Spain]:	1
Total number of participants:	25
From total number of countries:	4
Description	
<i>Provide a short description of the event and its activities.</i>	
<p>The "Seminar 1: Unemployed Active Citizenship: Time for Activation!" took place on April 23-24, 2024, at the Social Innovation and Cohesion Institute - Fifty-Fifty, located at Proxenou Koromila str. 51, 1st floor, Thessaloniki, Greece. This seminar aimed to delve into the role of active citizenship among the unemployed and explore strategies to foster engagement and innovation in this area.</p> <p>The seminar began on April 23 with participant registrations from 10:00 to 10:30. The opening session from 10:30 to 11:00 featured greetings from project leaders and short presentations by the participating organizations. Welcome speeches set a collaborative tone for the event.</p>	

From 11:00 to 12:00, the introductory seminar session focused on understanding unemployed active citizenship, emphasizing the importance of intercultural dialogue and the exchange of knowledge and experiences. This session provided a foundational understanding of the seminar's themes and objectives.

After a coffee break from 12:00 to 12:30, the seminar continued with Session 2 from 12:30 to 13:30, which explored the intersection between unemployment and active citizenship. This session aimed to identify how active citizenship can be a catalyst for addressing unemployment issues.

Following a lunch break from 13:30 to 15:30, participants engaged in a group exercise from 15:30 to 16:30 to identify barriers to active citizenship. This interactive team-building activity encouraged participants to analyze and identify barriers to active citizenship in the context of unemployment, fostering collaborative problem-solving.

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From 16:30 to 17:30, Seminar Session 3 focused on analyzing case studies of successful active citizenship initiatives addressing unemployment. This session provided practical examples and insights into effective strategies and approaches.

The day concluded with a recap and evaluation session from 17:30 to 18:00, summarizing the day's discussions and key takeaways, and making announcements for the next day's agenda. A dinner featuring traditional Greek dishes at 19:30 provided a cultural experience and further networking opportunities.

On April 24, the second day began with a recap of Day 1 and an overview of Day 2 from 10:00 to 10:30. This was followed by a group laboratory activity from 10:30 to 10:45 focused on design thinking for innovative solutions, setting the stage for creative problem-solving throughout the day.

From 10:45 to 12:00, Seminar Session 4 analyzed unemployment trends and strategies for sustainable active citizenship initiatives. This session aimed to provide participants with an understanding of current trends and long-term strategies to address unemployment through active citizenship.

After a coffee break from 12:00 to 12:30, Seminar Session 5 took place from 12:30 to 13:30, exploring the role of technology in promoting active citizenship and innovative solutions for addressing unemployment challenges. This session highlighted the importance of digital tools and platforms in modern civic engagement.

From 13:30 to 14:30, a laboratory team workshop focused on leveraging technology for social impact. This guided group activity emphasized understanding policy advocacy tools and techniques for influencing legislative change to address unemployment issues.

Following a lunch break from 14:30 to 15:30, the seminar concluded with an evaluation of Day 2 and a closing ceremony from 15:30 to 16:00. This session provided a final opportunity to reflect on the seminar's outcomes, gather feedback, and celebrate the collaborative efforts of the participants.

Throughout the seminar, participants engaged in meaningful discussions, collaborative activities, and cultural exchanges, fostering a comprehensive understanding of active citizenship's role in addressing unemployment within the European Union context.

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

Date: 23/04/2024 to 24/04/2024

Time Slot / Session

Day 1 – Thessaloniki, Greece:

10:00 – 10:30: Registrations

10:30 – 11:00: Greetings from Project Leaders and short presentations of the participating organizations; Welcome Speeches

11:00 – 12:00: Introductory Seminar Session on understanding unemployed Active Citizenship; Importance of intercultural dialogue and exchange of knowledge and experiences

12:00 – 12:30: Coffee Break

12:30 – 13:30: Seminar Session 2: Exploring the Intersection between Unemployment and Active Citizenship

13:30 – 15:30: Lunch Break

15:30 – 16:30: Group Exercise: Identifying Barriers to Active Citizenship; Interactive Team Building Activity where participants analyze and identify barriers to active citizenship in the context of unemployment

16:30 – 17:30: Seminar Session 3: Analyzing case studies of successful active citizenship initiatives addressing unemployment

17:30 – 18:00: Recap and Evaluation of Day 1; Summary of the day's discussions and key takeaways; Announcements for the next day's agenda

19:30: Dinner – Let's taste some Greek traditional dishes

Day 2 – Thessaloniki, Greece:

10:00 – 10:30: Recap of Day 1 and Overview of Day 2

10:30 – 10:45: Group Laboratory Activity – Design Thinking for Innovative Solutions

10:45 – 12:00: Seminar Session 4: Analysis of unemployment's trend and strategies for sustainable active citizenship initiatives

12:00 – 12:30: Coffee Break

12:30 – 13:30: Seminar Session 5: Exploring the role of technology in promoting active citizenship and innovative solutions for addressing unemployment challenges

13:30 – 14:30: Laboratory Team Workshop: Leveraging Technology for Social Impact; Guided group activity, focusing on understanding policy advocacy tools and techniques for influencing legislative change to address unemployment issues

14:30 – 15:30: Lunch Break

15:30 – 16:00: Evaluation of Day 2 and Closing Ceremony

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

<https://fifty-fifty.gr/forcep/>

<https://asel.ro/forcep/>

<http://www.nevladnik.info/si/novice/?id=18858>

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

https://www.comune.penne.pe.it/index.php?option=com_content&view=article&layout=edit&id=1212

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

<https://westpannon.hu/news/294-forcep-meeting-in-thessaloniki-vol-2>

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

Dissemination and Publication's Links on Social Media:

<https://www.facebook.com/photo/?fbid=887067510121650&set=a.623775123117558>

https://www.facebook.com/photo?fbid=780753750878056&set=a.493188082967959&locale=el_GR

D8.2 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).