

GRUNDTVIG LEARNING PARTNERSHIP PROJECT

“ACTIVE CITIZENSHIP IN EUROPE”

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THE EVALUATION REPORT OF THE FIRST MEETING ON “ACTIVE CITIZENSHIP IN EUROPE”

The project “Active Citizenship in Europe” has started as an action of GRUNDTVIG Learning Partnerships under Lifelong Learning Program. The aim of the project is to develop strategies and initiatives to help raise awareness among adults of their rights as EU citizens including Human Rights, and encourage them exercise their rights. Within this aim, four participating organizations from four countries (Germany, France, Spain and the Netherlands) took part in the first meeting which was hosted by the Spanish partner organization, *Centro del Profesorado Bollullos/Valverde*, on December 11-12, 2013 in Bollullos, Spain.

The content of the first meeting included the presentations of partner organizations, revision of the application through discussions, selection of the concrete learning methods of the project, division of the tasks (evaluation, questionnaire, communication, dissemination and coordination) and scheduling the following meetings. Based on the content of the first meeting and task division, an evaluation questionnaire was designed by one of the partner organizations, *Stichting voor Educatie-, Cultuur- en Migratie Onderzoek*, the Netherlands.

The questionnaire sought for responses regarding participants’ views on partner organizations (Question 1), the project itself (Questions 2, 3, 4, 5, 6 and 7) and overall personal satisfaction (Questions 8, 9, 10) about the first meeting. Seven participants answered and sent back the questionnaire. The distribution of the scores for each question is given below (See Appendix for questions).

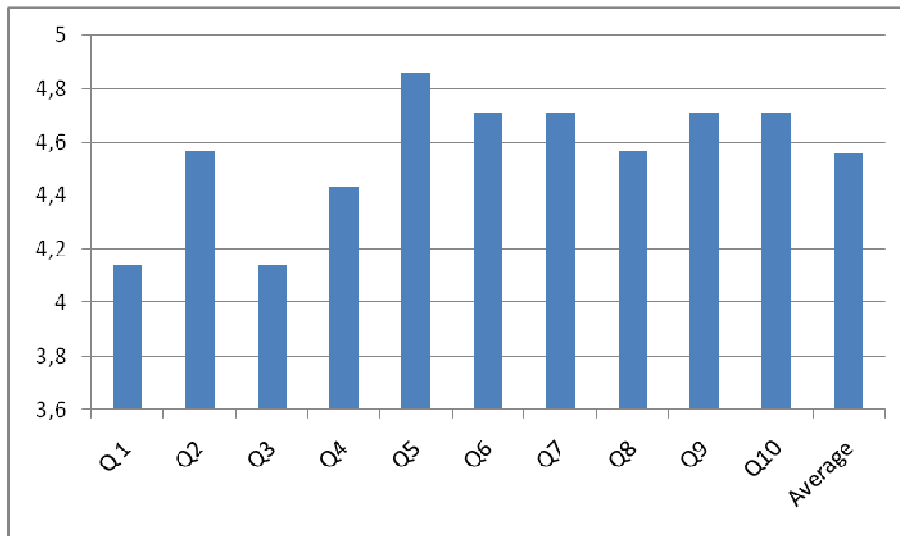


Figure 1. Distribution of the scores on the evaluation questionnaire

According to the distribution of the results, it can be stated that participants mostly have positive views on the first meeting. The average score is 4,55 points out of 5, and all of the scores are above 4 points. Regarding the details, the lowest score is for the presentation of partner organizations (Q 1), whereas the highest scores are clearly on personal satisfaction of the meeting (Qs 8, 9, 10). Apparently, most of the participants are satisfied with the meeting, and they mostly think that the meeting was well-organized with the help of each organization's contributions to build common ideas.

Furthermore, the responses indicate that participants' views on how the meeting held the project itself is positive, as well. They mostly agree on that there was a successful discussion on revising the aims and objectives of the project, planning the next meetings, discussing the task division and communication of the partners. On the contrary, the score about the discussions on general learning about European Citizen Rights is quite low compared to the scores of the remaining questions. The results on this question present that there was not sufficient discussion on European Citizen Rights in the meeting.

Based on the responses on the first meeting evaluation presented above, it is a pleasure to state that participants are mostly satisfied with the meeting, which is promising for the success of the following meetings regarding the collaboration to pursue the aims of the project as well as keeping up with motivation and group dynamics. However, it should be noted that there is a need to discuss and settle with the general learning of the European Citizen Rights, which is most probably getting better with the report on “Rights of EU Citizens” prepared by the French partner organization, *Institut de Formation et d’Appui aux Initiatives de Developpement*. Finally, it is suggested that organizations give more importance on the presentations of their organizations, which will help them for the next meetings and other projects.

Appendix

Q1: Presentation of partner organizations

Q2: From old project to new project (revising aims and objectives)

Q3: Discussions about “General learning about European Citizen Rights”

Q4: Discussions about “the roles of the partner organizations in the project”

Q5: Planning the dates and places for all coming meetings

Q6: Discussions about “communication of the partners”

Q7: Discussions about “task division of the partners”

Q8: What is your overall satisfaction with this meeting?

Q9: Do you think that the meeting was well organized?

Q10: Do you think that at the end of the meeting, all the participants have contributed to build common ideas?