

***Progress Report Form – Request
for further pre-financing***

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General Instructions

This report form is to be used by beneficiaries when the report is triggering a further pre-financing payment as per the respective grant agreement with the NA.

The progress report and the corresponding request for a further prefinancing payment must be completed at least 30 days before the end date of the project specified in Article I.2.2. If a request for a further prefinancing payment is received after this date, the eligible costs will be considered within the final report.

Project Identification

Action Type	<i>Youth Participation Projects</i>
Project agreement number	2024-1-DE04-KA154-YOU-000232136
Project Title	Awareness and Participation Workshop
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Reporting Period (dd/mm/yyyy – dd/mm- yyyy)	01/09/2024 12 months 31/08/2025

Project Implementation

Please summarise the main developments in the project at this interim stage. Describe the activities already completed, the activities currently in progress and the activities to be organised for the remaining project duration.

Are the initial objectives, planned activities, identified targets and expected results being pursued, carried out and reached as initially planned? So far, have you encountered challenges or problems in implementing the project goals as planned? If so, what challenges or problems have you encountered? Please provide any relevant information considered necessary for a comprehensive overview of the current and further implementation of the project.

At this interim stage, the project has successfully implemented two major activities:

1. **Awareness and Participation Workshop** in Cluj-Napoca, Romania (December 2024)
2. **Personal Development Workshop** in Budapest, Hungary (February 2025)

Both workshops engaged young participants in interactive sessions focused on European identity, active citizenship, and social inclusion. Through non-formal learning techniques, discussions, and hands-on activities, we facilitated meaningful exchanges among participants from diverse backgrounds.

Currently, preparations are underway for the upcoming activities:

- **European Identity and Citizenship Workshop** in Fürth, Germany (April 2025)
- **Final Workshop in Turkey**, which will conclude the project.

Challenges Encountered and Solutions Implemented

During the implementation phase, the primary challenge was **scheduling the activities** in a way that accommodated both the availability of partners and the needs of participants. Given the differences in academic calendars, work commitments, and local constraints in each country, aligning dates required extended discussions and flexibility from all involved organizations. However, through **proactive communication and compromise**, we managed to find optimal timeframes for each workshop, ensuring full participation and engagement.

Another challenge was **securing a diverse and representative participant pool**, especially ensuring that young people from disadvantaged backgrounds had access to the activities. To address this, we collaborated with local youth organizations, leveraged social media campaigns, and provided additional logistical support where needed.

So far, the project is progressing well towards its initial objectives, fostering youth empowerment, intercultural dialogue, and active participation in European civic life. The feedback from participants has been overwhelmingly positive, highlighting the relevance of the workshops and the impact on their personal and social development.

For the remaining duration of the project, our focus will be on:

- Ensuring the successful execution of the **workshop in Germany**, including logistical arrangements and refining the content based on prior sessions.
- Finalizing the structure and methodology for the **last workshop in Turkey**, ensuring a meaningful conclusion and long-term sustainability of the project's impact

Awareness and Participation Workshop – Cluj-Napoca, Romania (December 2024)

The Awareness and Participation Workshop in Cluj-Napoca was an engaging and dynamic experience, successfully combining debates, interviews, and hands-on activities to explore how youth can become more involved in democratic life.

One of the key activities planned was a visit to the County Electoral Office, given that the workshop coincided with elections in Romania. Initially, our designated contact person was unavailable due to election-related responsibilities. However, we managed to reorganize the visit with an interim coordinator, who welcomed our group and allowed us to present the conclusions drawn from our debate sessions and the survey conducted with both participants and local residents of Cluj-Napoca. This was an essential moment, as it provided a real-life institutional perspective on youth engagement in democratic processes.

Moreover, we worked collaboratively to create video clips capturing the key takeaways from the interviews and discussions. These materials served not only as documentation but also as tools to inspire further conversations on how to increase youth participation in civic life. By combining debates, structured interviews, and direct engagement with institutions, we aimed to explore practical ways to empower young people to take an active role in shaping their communities.

Overall, the workshop ran smoothly, with only minor logistical challenges that were quickly resolved. For example, one participant forgot their phone in a taxi, but thanks to coordinated efforts calling different taxi dispatch centers and posting on local Facebook groups, we were able to locate and return the phone in a short time.

The venue we used was fully functional, and we received valuable support from Cluj City Hall, whose representatives not only facilitated the logistics but also provided useful materials for our activities. We deeply appreciate this collaboration and hope to maintain strong ties for future initiatives.

Through this workshop, we were able to facilitate meaningful debates and structured interviews on democratic engagement, explore practical strategies for increasing youth participation in elections and civic life, engage with local institutions and stakeholders to better understand the democratic process, and produce video materials summarizing participants' insights, ensuring broader dissemination of our work.

The Cluj-Napoca workshop was a significant milestone in our project, demonstrating that young people are eager to engage in civic life when given the right platform and opportunities.

Personal Development Workshop in Budapest, Hungary (February 2025)

A Personal Development Workshop was successfully organized in Budapest, Hungary, bringing together participants from multiple European countries. The workshop supported the Erasmus+ objective of promoting lifelong learning, personal growth, intercultural dialogue, and enhanced employability among youth and young professionals.

Workshop Objectives & Activities:

- The workshop focused on developing key competences such as communication, leadership, emotional intelligence, goal setting, and time management.
- Interactive methods such as group discussions, role-plays, coaching exercises, and personal reflection sessions were used to ensure practical and engaging learning.
- Activities were designed to encourage collaboration across cultures, support mutual understanding, and promote active participation in society.

Intercultural Learning & Budapest City Tour:

- A guided cultural tour of Budapest was included, allowing participants to explore historical landmarks like Buda Castle, the Hungarian Parliament, Heroes' Square, and the Danube River promenade.
- The tour served as a platform for intercultural exchange and informal bonding, enriching participants' experience beyond the formal sessions.

Challenges Faced: While the workshop met its objectives, some challenges were encountered in the planning and implementation stages:

- **Language Barriers:** Communication with local service providers was occasionally hindered due to language differences, requiring translation support.

Impact & Outcomes:

- Participants reported increased self-confidence, better communication skills, and stronger motivation to engage in community or professional initiatives.
- The workshop fostered a sense of European identity and solidarity, in line with the Erasmus+ vision.
- Networking opportunities during the program led to ideas for future international collaborations.

