

PARTNER SEARCH FORM

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Short presentation of your organization (key activities, experience)	<p>Gdansk is peripheral city within Gdansk-Gdynia-Sopot Metropolitan Area, lying on the Bay of Gdansk, on the southern shores of the Baltic Sea. At the same time with the population nearing half a million Gdansk is the largest city and an important centre of the economic, scientific, and cultural life, and a frequented tourist location. Furthermore, Gdansk is the capital of the Pomeranian Voivodeship and a major Polish centre of economy and administration. Gdansk is also popular destination of many, mostly economic migrants. In response to this matter, in 2016 Gdansk municipality introduced an Immigrants Integration Model - the policy that provides solutions to support third-country nationals that decided to settle in our area. Two years later, in 2018, in purpose to widen our abilities in the subject of the support granted for persons that could be in danger of social exclusion, we introduced another policy - Model for Equal Treatment. Social Development Department is an entity responsible for introducing both of those policies.</p> <p>Currently our work is focused on introducing solutions within objectives presented in both of above-mentioned Models. Within the subject of immigrants integration we base on a work of 11 thematic groups concentrated around the subjects of education, culture, housing, social assistance, employment, violence, safeness, local communities, communication, health and sport. Together with cities' institutions, NGO's, inhabitants – also new</p>

	inhabitants that are already settled or plan to do it, and other stakeholders, we conduct projects, working groups and initiatives with the aim of making our city more welcoming and friendly space for everyone – without any exceptions.
Description of the project	
Action, Measure in the framework of „Europe for Citizens” Programme	In the line with the objectives of the Europe for Citizens Programme, standard 2 - Network of Towns’ measures.
Timetable of the project	01.03.2021 – 30.06.2021 – this is a period when 4 study visits in 4 partner’s countries will take place; until the end of the year 2021 we will prepare a sum up and online publications.
Short description of the project, including its aims	<p>We are about to prepare and coordinate a project, that will be focused on 2 main objectives:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. To exchange experience between EU cities receiving a numbers of migrants from close east, and which create solutions and look for methods that will ease the process of migrants familiarisation as well as integration in the city - within this objective project’s partners will visit each other and present places, projects, solutions ect., that they conduct in purpose to ease immigrants familiarisation and settling in the city. 2. To exchange experience in the field of migrants' integration engagements hold by different cities’ institutions, organisations, projects and local informal groups in the subject of local community integration – within this objective projects’ partners will engage local NGOs, institutions, activists and inhabitants together with immigrants themselves, enabling them to meet and talk with each other about projects and activities, conducted in the subject of local integration, that ease integration of migrants within the local community. <p>Output of every meeting will be released within a publication online, that will also consist of information about the locally conducted activities aimed to include migrants into an everyday, local activities.</p> <p>By the project we want to foster a dialog and spread a good practises between EU cities in the subject of the integration of third country nationals in a local perspective.</p>

Role of the partner organization in the project	<p>Each partner will be obligated to prepare a program of the study visit in their city, that will concern presentation of the places, projects, solutions ect., that are conducted by the city or in cooperation with the city, in purpose to ease immigrants familiarisation and settling in the city.</p> <p>Also, each partner city will organize and conduct a meeting with the local NGOs, institutions, activists and inhabitants (together with immigrant), in purpose to talk with each other about projects and activities, conducted in the subject of local integration, that ease integration of migrants within the local community.</p> <p>The city of Gdansk will organize all the travels and accommodations, and will prepare an online publications summing up the results of projects and inspiring activities that could be repeat by other cities.</p>
Comments from the applicant	