

## **Start Point - Citizenship Learning in a Shifting Society**

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THE AIM: Towards integration and political and social participation of young underserved adults.

THE ISSUE: In a constantly shifting society, we don't want anyone to fall behind. We believe that active participation in society as well as in politics is crucial for a democracy to function properly.

WE PROPOSE: An opportunity to find solutions based on accessible learning settings, equality, empowerment, and autonomy, established on a conception of active citizenship learning. Focusing on young adults from disadvantaged groups, we are assessing the barriers they face and creating tools for them to be more empowered, skilled and have a sense of personal and social responsibility as participants in a democratic society.

The consortium consists of six entities from six European countries: KulturLife – Germany, InterAktion – Austria, Center for Social Innovation – Cyprus, Rightchallenge – Portugal, Drustvo za Razvijanje Prostovoljnega Dela Novo Mesto – Slovenia, Learning for Integration ry – Finland.

















The fourth and fifth phases of the project (PR4 and PR5) have been successfully completed. For PR4, each partner organised at least three local participation projects, such as debates, discussions and city tours, targeting young, underserved adults aged 20-30. For PR5, a Political Action Plan was designed, which aims to develop operational and policy recommendations based on the analysis of the results of StartPoint directed at policymakers in the adult education field.

Meanwhile, the fourth and final TPM took place on the 26<sup>th</sup> and 27<sup>th</sup> of September 2023. The meeting was hosted by KulturLife in Kiel, Germany, during which partners finalised the Political Action Plan and addressed any remaining tasks ahead of the project's end date, October 31, 2023.

In addition, KulturLife hosted the StartPoint final conference on September 27<sup>th</sup>, with the participation of all the partners, as well as adult educators, social workers, non-governmental organisations, cultural entities, and vocational education centres, encouraging further use of the resources

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developed. The conference marked the closing of the project.





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