

ERASMUS+ DEMOS Project

Vienna Meeting, October 2018



DEMOCRACY & EQUALITY MATTERS for OUR SOCIETY

The aim of DEMOS is to increase the civic and democratic engagement of our FET target groups within the partner countries (**Austria, Romania, Germany, Sweden, Finland, Poland, Bulgaria, Czech Republic, Ireland**). This will be achieved through exploration of the civic, social and political dimensions of their lives and through the development of innovative projects to build the knowledge and understanding they need to contribute more actively to democratic society. Learners will become aware that through the democratic process, every individual has a voice and that non-participation and passivity can lead to alienation, apathy and social exclusion. The first meeting of the DEMOS project was held in Vienna, Austria, and was hosted by lead partner Die Wiener Volkshochschulen GmbH. The following actions were agreed:

1. Create the DEMOS website and newsletters
2. Identify four target groups within each country to participate in DEMOS
3. Survey the attitudes, knowledge and needs of these groups regarding participatory citizenship
4. Collate, share and analyse the results of the focus group surveys
5. Develop two innovative local projects that will engage learners in the democratic process
6. Ensure the widespread dissemination of the outcomes of these projects.

The next meeting of DEMOS will be held in Cluj, Romania in March, 2019.





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- discussion
- info+best practice
- exchange
- political stakeholders

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- information awareness
- social community
- citizens' participation

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- Political ad
- attracting target groups
- Rise in voters' participation

2 (so far) learning from partners in DE

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