

The project 'Social Capital and Abundance – Learning together how to create abundant communities' was funded with the support of the European Union under the Programme "Europe for Citizens"

Strand 2 – Measure 2.3 "Civil Society Projects"

Three events have been carried out within this project:

Event 1 'Connecting City and Citizens, to create social capital & abundant communities'

Participation: The event involved 78 citizens, including 60 participants from **Scotland, UK**, 5 participants from **Austria**, 9 participants from **Sweden**, 2 participants from **Africa** and 2 participants from **Germany**.

Location / Dates: The event took place in Netherton, **Glasgow, Scotland, UK** from 05/04/2016 to 09/04/2016

Short description: The aim of the event was to explore new methodologies that foster social capital, trust and collaboration and lead to competent communities skilled in local decision making processes, with capacity to shape their local agenda, in a climate of ever-tighter budgets allowing innovation to emerge within communities. The event was attended by 3rd sector organisations, Local Authorities, other public sector agencies, local and International citizens. The atmosphere was one of collaboration from all participants with 15 community projects proposed during the event. A mini-documentary showed the event process and followed up some of the community initiatives.

Event 2 'Co-creating Inclusive and Sustainable Communities'

Participation: The event involved 106 citizens, including 97 participants from **Sweden**, 4 participants from **Austria**, 3 participants from **Scotland**, 1 participant from **France** and 1 participant from **Denmark**.

Location / Dates: The event took place in Norra Hisingen, **Gothenburgh, Sweden**, from 13/09/2016 to 17/09/2016

Short description: The aim of the event was to explore the co-creative methodologies further that foster social capital, trust and lead to competent communities and collaborative partnerships together with the city of Gothenburg. The focus and calling question was; *How can we create a safe and vibrant local community?* Gothenburg city district Northern Hisingen is a neighborhood struggling with social problems and social inequality. The Learning Village in Northern Hisingen offered a forum where the participants; citizens, civil society organizations, politicians and officials had the opportunity to get to know each other and build relationships, learn from real life stories and listen to others' experiences to develop common understanding and develop 10 project initiatives that could develop and strengthen the local community.

Event 3 'Regarding big challenges, how can we best live together in our city?'

Participation: The event involved 119 citizens, including 105 participants from **Austria**, 4 participants from **Scotland, UK**, 6 participants from **Sweden**, 3 participants from **Germany** and 1 participant from **Switzerland**

Location / Dates: The event took place in **Dornbirn, Austria**, from 22/11/2016 to 26/11/2016

Short description: The aim of the event was to explore the co-creative methodologies further that foster social capital, trust and lead to competent communities and collaborative partnerships together with the city of Dornbirn. The calling question of the event was "Regarding big challenges, how can we best live together in our city?" The number of inhabitants is growing rapidly and over 100 Nationalities are living in the city. The growing diversity is a challenge for the city and its administration. Within the administration, there is a group of people trying to redefine the role of public administration towards more a more self-organized and less service oriented administration. At the event this purpose came alive, producing 17 projects for Dornbirn and lots of collaboration and social capital, benefiting the further development of the town.