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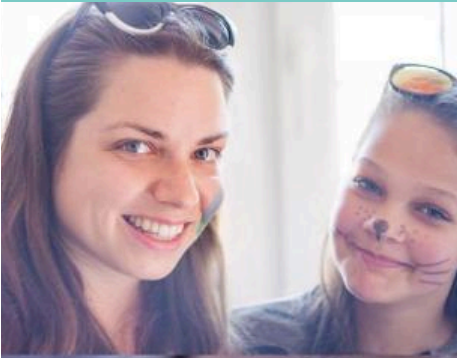
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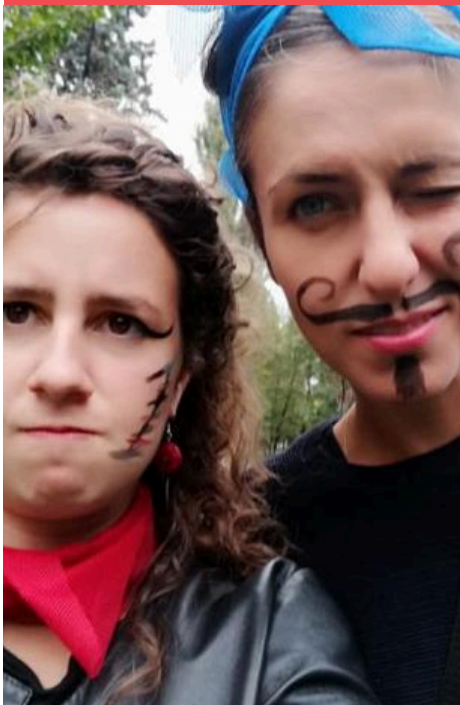
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Welcome from the President and Secretary-General



Oriano Otočan 

President

Dear members, dear friends,

Despite the undeniable difficulties brought about by the ongoing Covid-19 crisis, it is a great honour for me to present the ALDA activity report 2019, this year perhaps with even more satisfaction than usual. The European Association for Local Democracy is approaching its 20th anniversary, and we couldn't be more excited for this upcoming milestone which further consolidates the Association's relevance and influence in the enlarged Europe.

As aptly showcased in this activity report, the last 12 months have witnessed a whirlwind of concrete ALDA actions and initiatives which quite simply went over and beyond in support of active citizenship and participatory democracy: beyond all set geographic limits; beyond expectations; beyond all usual project horizons.

Indeed, beyond strengthening the activities of the existing Local Democracy Agencies, we established a new LDA in Morocco, the second one in the Mediterranean area. Moreover, we launched a new perspective for our activities in South-Eastern Europe with the establishment of the Balkan Network for Local Democracy (BNLD), which will now cover Albania, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Kosovo, Montenegro, North Macedonia and Serbia. ALDA's support for European integration processes remains one of our most important tasks and goals.

Additionally, working on the Sustainable Developments Goals and tackling issues from local development to sustainable cities, from good governance at the local and regional level to gender equality and the integration of vulnerable minorities,

“ **ALDA is ready to enter its 20th year of activity with determination and the will to do even more, strong of its growing task force and network.** ”

The current dramatic Covid-19 crisis is proving that the European project must continue to develop in order to ensure more integration, solidarity, cohesion and equal opportunities for the social and economic development in Europe. We do and must keep dreaming of a bigger, stronger and more inclusive Union.

In this key transition period for Europe, we firmly believe it is crucial to keep developing tolerant, respectful and multi-faceted European societies with no place for manipulation, discrimination or manifestations of hate. ALDA contributes to the creation of more inclusive and socially engaged communities, and it does so by working with regional and local authorities, civil society organisations and citizens in a holistic approach: this is fully mirrored in each of the over 60 projects we've led and partnered this year, every single one of them bearing testimony to the power of solidarity and cooperation beyond borders.

With the European Parliament elections taking place in May with the highest election turnout of the past 20 years, we like to think that our consistent efforts in terms of citizens participation, together with many other national and international organizations, played a part in such a fundamental result.

You are an irreplaceable part of it, and I want to express my deep gratitude to you all for your incessant effort and dedication. A special thank you is also due to the colleagues in the Governing Board, the Secretary General and the whole ALDA team: their passion shines through the hard work they do on a daily basis - hard work that transforms into tangible, visible steps towards a better community for all.

Let's keep it up!

Oriano Otočan
President of ALDA



Antonella Valmorbida

Secretary General

Dear members and friends,

the challenging times we are living in call for our work to be more efficient and effective than ever before. It is hence with a particular sense of gratitude that I join our President in sharing the utmost pride for what ALDA has achieved in 2019, which now provides us with a springboard to strive towards our ambitious visions for 2020, as we celebrate twenty glorious years since ALDA's inception.

The past year sadly started off in a way we could never forget, as within two months ALDA tragically lost two of its dearest, closest members: Paweł Adamowicz, who had been the brilliant, progressive mayor of Gdansk since 1988; and Paolo Dieci, proactive President of CISP (International Committee for People's Development) and of the Cooperation Network "Link 2007".

The memory of these two wonderful individuals now accompanies us in our work as an inspiration and we know that, if Paweł and Paolo could see us, they would be proud too. Together, we rejoice for the successful launch of a second Local Democracy Agency in the Southern Mediterranean Area, more precisely in Tétouan, Morocco - and for the consequent strengthening of ALDA's mission in the European neighbourhood.

Equally worthy of mention are the establishment of new ALDA offices in Tunisia and Moldova; the inauguration of the first ALDA activities in Central Asia with the "Media Dialogue" project in Kyrgyzstan; and the launch of the Balkan Network for Local Democracy, born from ALDA and the 7 LDAs of the Western Balkans to implement regional cooperation, stability and prosperity through the empowerment of civil society and local authorities.

And the Association didn't just expand its area of intervention: 2019 was also marked by a significant expansion within its team, in constant growth in number and experience; as well as within its office walls, which were renewed in Vicenza with plans for Brussels to follow, so to ensure that ALDA's workspaces truly match the essence of its presence in its local communities.

Last but not least, in 2019 ALDA was proud to start a 1-year participatory process right in the particularly vulnerable area of Vicenza where the ALDA office is located, together with a group of residents, owners and entrepreneurs of the neighbourhood: we called it the "Gruppo Scintilla" (Spark Group) and it is now aiming to transform, in 2020, into a veritable "factory" for urban regeneration where ALDA will keep to help co-shape the vision for a better local future.

It's the vision we want for each of the ALDA local communities: a vision of local democracy

Antonella Valmorbida
Secretary General of ALDA

About alda European Association For Local Democracy

ALDA - European Association for Local Democracy, is a French-registered association dedicated to the promotion of good governance and citizen participation at the local level.

ALDA is a key stakeholder in the field of local democracy, active citizenship, and cooperation between local authorities and civil society in Europe and its Neighborhood, mainly acting through participatory methods and decentralized cooperation.

ALDA was established in 1999 at the initiative of the Council of Europe to coordinate and support the network of Local Democracy Agencies (LDAs), which are self-sustainable, locally registered NGOs acting as promoters of good governance and local self-government, with which ALDA collaborates in many activities.

ALDA is a membership-based organisation gathering today more than 350 members, including local authorities, associations of local authorities, and civil society organisations, coming from more than 45 countries in the enlarged Europe. ALDA is funded through membership fees, as well as project funding from the European Commission, the Council of Europe and other public and private donors.

What we do

In the framework of the promotion of good governance and citizen participation at the local level, ALDA focuses on various themes, such as European integration, decentralisation, civic initiatives and volunteering, human rights, social inclusion and sustainable economic development.

ALDA leads its activities through different forms of action and channels:

- Coordinating and supporting the 15 Local Democracy Agencies and 3 Operational Partners
- Conducting its own projects in the field of good governance and citizen participation at the local level
- Supporting local stakeholders' initiatives by providing expertise gained through ALDA's knowledge and experience in the regions where ALDA and the Local Democracy Agencies are working.

Our mission & uniqueness

As its core element, ALDA supports citizens and groups of citizens in their initiatives aimed at improving their local context, building bridges with local authorities in order to make the change real.

Every day, we develop projects with our members and partners to support their activities for the good of the whole community. Thus, we are experts in identifying all possible means to make our work – and our members' work possible, such as funding sources, partnerships establishment, ...

In this framework, we work through a participatory approach and the method of multilateral decentralized cooperation, always focusing on strong partnerships between local authorities and civil society organisations.

Where we work

ALDA works in most of the European Union and in the European Neighborhood countries.

Activities in the European Union are mainly oriented to the promotion of active citizenship and to strengthen the European values and identity, while the work in the Western Balkans and in the European Neighborhood focuses on good governance, citizen participation, European integration and decentralisation.

As coordinator and supporter of the network of the Local Democracy Agencies, a natural focus is given to the Western Balkans, where the majority of them are located. Nonetheless, thanks to the incessant work of our team, this network does not stop growing and spreading. The most recent LDA was created on April 2019 in Tétouan, Morocco, only a few years after the establishment of the LDA in Kairouan (Tunisia), Cimișlia (Moldova) and Mariupol (Ukraine).

ALDA is also leading projects and developing partnerships in other European neighboring countries, such as Belarus and Turkey, as well as starting promising collaborations with key stakeholders in North America and Southern Africa.

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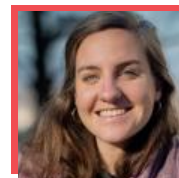
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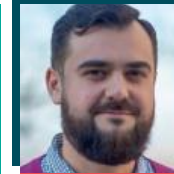
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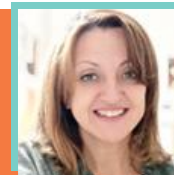
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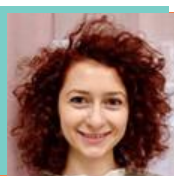
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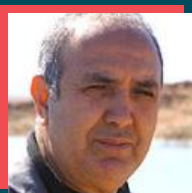
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+45  **COUNTRIES**
where ALDA is present

 **+350**
MEMBERS

 **+400**
RUN PROJECT

 **6**
OFFICES


YEARS OF
ACTIVITY

20

3 

OPERATIONAL
PARTNERS



25
MILLION **PEOPLE** **INDIRECTLY**
IMPACTED IN THE
ENLARGED
EUROPE

 **15** **LOCAL**
DEMOCRACY
AGENCIES

THE WORLD OF ALDA...ALDA IN THE WORLD



Network & Advocacy

ALDA is not only an association focused on its activities carried on in the whole European Union and its Neighborhood in cooperation with its members and partners.

ALDA is aware that collaboration is a value which must be pursued both internally and externally, reason why ALDA cooperates with a significant, and constantly increasing, number of institutions and organisations, in order to exchange best practices, sustain the involvement of communities in decision-making processes, and thus head together towards a better society.

To reach such an empowerment of local communities, ALDA has a strong advocacy component, being member, partner, observer and supporter of the following institutions and organisations:





ALDA Worldwide

While its geographical scope is the enlarged Europe, ALDA is an influential stakeholder in the field of local and participative democracy at global level.

ALDA is a member of CIVICUS, the World Alliance for Citizens Participation, and can boast a lively collaboration with its network AGNA - Affinity Groups of National Associations.

Ms. Valmorbida is also member of the Council of Advisors of the National Civic League, a Colorado-based organization supporting for over 120 years civic engagement in US communities, which found in ALDA a key partner in the field of local democracy and citizens' involvement at the local level.

Since 2017, the synergy between ALDA and the Kettering Foundation in Dayton (USA) has been growing stronger. In April 2019, ALDA took part in the Multinational Research Exchange Week, together with Lusine Aleksandryan, the Director of the Local Democracy Agency of Armenia, a symposium on the relations between local governments and citizens. Moreover, the Kettering Foundation hosted our Secretary General Antonella Valmorbida for a research exchange on instruments and experiences on participative democracy.

Our Network

 Countries with ALDA Activities and members/EU Member States

 Local Democracy Agencies (LDAs)

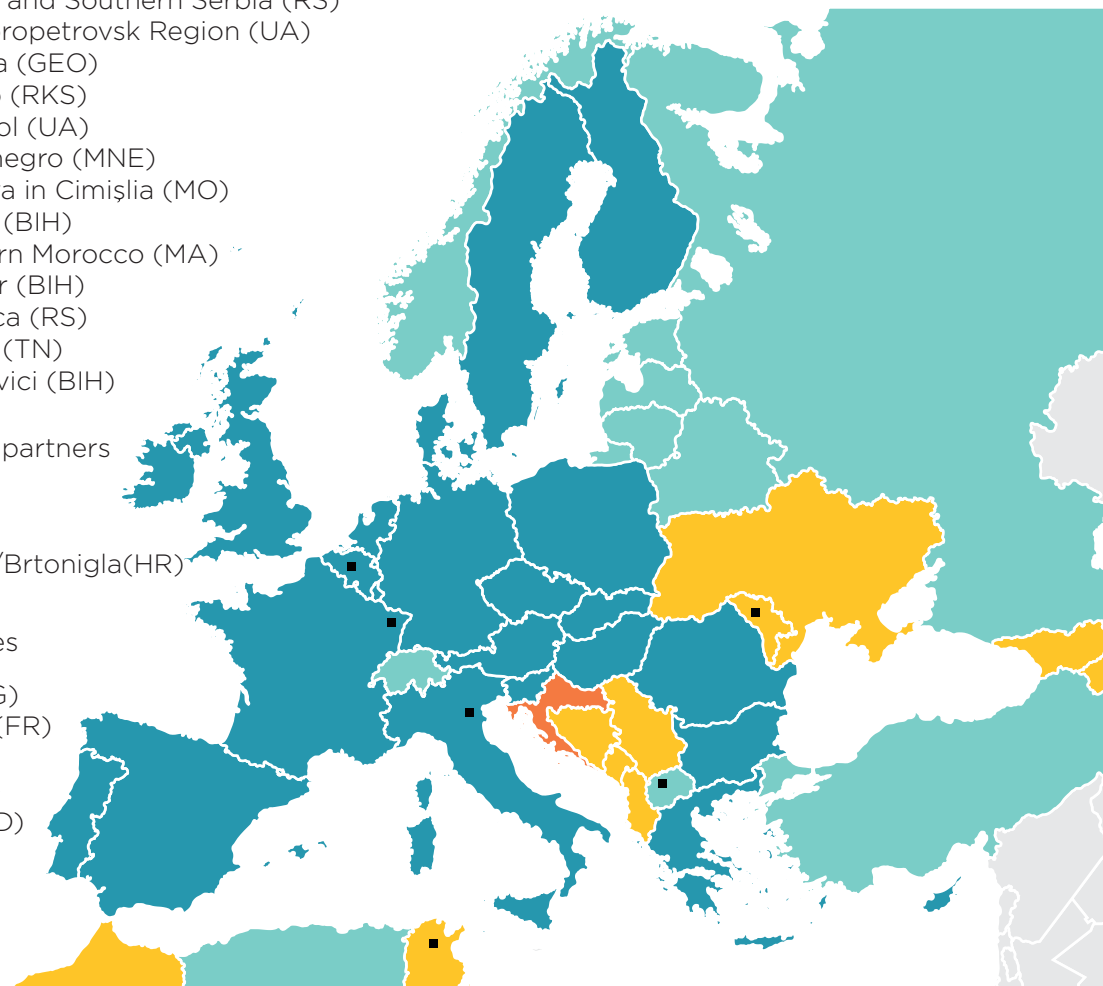
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-  LDA Armenia (ARM)
-  LDA Central and Southern Serbia (RS)
-  LDA of Dnipropetrovsk Region (UA)
-  LDA Georgia (GEO)
-  LDA Kosovo (RKS)
-  LDA Mariupol (UA)
-  LDA Montenegro (MNE)
-  LDA Moldova in Cimişlia (MO)
-  LDA Mostar (BIH)
-  LDA Northern Morocco (MA)
-  LDA Prijedor (BIH)
-  LDA Subotica (RS)
-  LDA Tunisia (TN)
-  LDA Zavidovici (BIH)

 Operational partners

-  Osijek (HR)
-  Sisak (HR)
-  Verteneglio/Brtonigla(HR)

 ALDA Offices

-  Brussels (BG)
-  Strasbourg (FR)
-  Vicenza (IT)
-  Skopje (MK)
-  Chisinau (MD)
-  Tunis (TN)



Europe

The European Union underwent relevant changes in 2019, starting from the European Parliament Elections, in May, which showed a significant increase in turnout, especially among younger people and first-time voters, thus setting up a new political scenario. On the other hand, the December election results confirmed the Great Britain's exit from the Union and were accompanied by a parallel growth of populist movements all across the Continent.

On a more global scale, 2019 was also marked by an unprecedented collective awareness about climate change, represented among all by the bottom-up movement "Fridays for Future" led by Greta Thunberg, which mobilised thousands of activists fighting for climate justice all over the World.

Throughout projects, partnerships and all activities, ALDA carried on advocacy actions, to feed citizen participation in these relevant processes, worked in strengthening the localisation of the Sustainable Development Goals, and it has also contributed to the debate on the Multiannual Financial Framework for the next period 2021-2027, with a special focus on the Europe for Citizens Programme.

Within the framework, ALDA's activities in Europe contribute to the understanding and promotion of the European Union, its common history and values, by stimulating debates on the future of Europe and building networks; to the fostering of the sense of European ownership and citizenship and of civic and democratic participation of citizens at the Union level; to the comprehension of the policy-making process as a means to increase engagement, intercultural dialogue and mutual understanding.



South-Eastern Europe

2019 was a marking year for ALDA's activities in South-Eastern Europe. The crucial event was the registration of the Balkan Network for Local Democracy (BNLD), milestone reached also thanks to the technical and operational support ALDA's offices in Skopje and Subotica provided to the LDAs in the region. Created by the Local Democracy Agencies from the Western Balkan Countries and ALDA, BNLD was registered in Skopje following the Constitutive General Assembly held in June. This achievement is the result of a long-lasting cooperation and joint efforts to promote regional cooperation.

ALDA Skopje and the LDAs are actively contributing to the regional policy-making processes drafting evidence-based policy recommendations, monitoring activities, participating to consultation processes and being active in local advocacy networks. As a matter of fact, they have been developing partnerships with the Regional Cooperation Council, the Western Balkan Fund and other relevant stakeholders.

In 2019 the number of regional projects jointly implemented by ALDA and the LDAs have been tirelessly increasing. While the project Regional Youth Compact for Europe confirmed us as important stakeholders in the EU integration processes in the Western Balkans, other projects, such as CLINK, IMPACT and Monumental 9 contributed to the diversification of our actions in the fields of cultural heritage, art, tourism and local economic development.

During this year, Skopje hosted the Forum of the Best Practices, thanks to the support of the Central European Initiative (CEI), stimulating the cooperation between civil society and local authorities, therefore proving ALDA's expertise and the efficiency of our methodology.



Eastern Partnership & Central Asia

Growth, affirmation and stability: that's how we could summarize 2019 for the Eastern Partnership region. Following the guidelines set by the regional strategy 2018 - 2021, we assisted to the implementation of several new projects in Moldova, Belarus, Ukraine and Russia.

At the same time, a regional office has been established in Moldova, in the capital city of Chisinau, serving as point of reference and general coordination for all regional projects.

Particularly relevant is the extension of ALDA's operations in Russia, mainly in cooperation with our member organization "Open Russia", with which we organized the 1st International Forum on Local Democracy, in October 2019. It was an event bringing together over 150 representatives of local and regional administrations from Moscow and Saint-Petersburg and 15 representatives of European municipalities members of ALDA. We are currently planning to turn this activity into a yearly tradition.

The end of the year came with a long-awaited surprise, namely the kick-off of Media Dialogue, a project implemented by ALDA and 4 other organisations in Kyrgyzstan, a milestone establishing ALDA not just as a pan-European organisation, but as an active promoter of local democracy in Central Asia!

Middle-East & North Africa

2019 has been a decisive year and has shown that ALDA is a key stakeholder in the field of local democracy and citizen participation in the Maghreb region.

Most of ALDA's projects were aimed at increasing the participation and inclusion of women in the spheres of society, not only by direct involvement of women, but also through the mobilization of a large number of actors, such as politicians, academics, institutions, associations, media and citizens, thus making women empowerment a collective goal. In 2019, ALDA developed projects in continuity with those of previous years, reflecting the confidence granted by donors who have therefore approved the funding of new project cycles.

Thanks to the Local Democracy Agencies in the region, ALDA has provided constant support for a smooth and ongoing dialogue between civil society and local authorities. This communicative flow has been significantly growing not only in Tunisia by virtue of the LDA in Kairouan, but also in Morocco. April 2019 saw the official opening of a new Local Democracy Agency in the Mediterranean region, the LDA Northern Morocco, which can be considered being the highlight of the year, based in Tétouan and with local branches in 4 municipalities of the Country.

With a view to making its action as comprehensive and relevant as possible, ALDA has joined many national and cross-country networks. Thus, ALDA has been able to diversify its contacts and partners, therefore providing its expertise in many cross-cutting areas by collaborating with the most influential actors in the region. Among these, we mention the Anna Lindh French and Italian networks; the Programme Concerté Pluri-Acteurs (PCPA) network known as the most influential multi-stakeholder network in Tunisia for reducing inequalities; the Réseau Euromed France, with which we provided training to young civil society activists during the annual "Mediterranean Youth" event; and the Majalat programme on good governance, leading to the presentation of an advocacy statement at the Brussels Civil Forum in December, bringing together 130 civil society organisations, most of them from the southern Mediterranean, and representatives of the European Commission.



A snapshot of our impact in 2019



DIRECT
BENEFICIARIES
50573

55



projects
IMPLEMENTED

IN 2019



54
COUNTRIES

WHERE
WHERE

ALDA

CARRIED OUT
its activities



5.662.924 €
total budget
MANAGED

ALDA's main themes/fields of actions:

11

Active citizenship; Good local governance;
Education; Youth; EU Values and integration;
Culture, media and sport; Health & environment;
Employment, entrepreneurship and economic
development; Equal opportunities, minorities
and vulnerable groups; Migration; Social issues.

Our action in 5 Ps

The Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) are 17 global goals designed to be a “blueprint to achieve a better and more sustainable future for all”. They are the principles of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development, and they have been adopted by all their Member States in 2015 as a universal call to action to end poverty, protect the planet and ensure that all people enjoy peace and prosperity by 2030.

At the core of the 2030 Agenda stand the 5 Ps, indicators measuring the progress of the programme, which shape the SDGs and address five critical dimensions: People, Planet, Prosperity, Peace, and Partnerships.

Already contributing to the SDGs localisation, ALDA has recently decided to refocus all its activities according to this framework, thus classifying all our projects according to the “5 Ps” and the connected SDGs they advocate for.





BALKAN KALEIDOSCOPE

 Europe for Citizens  33.200,00 EUR  Aug 2017-Jan 2019  12

Countries impacted: Serbia, France, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Germany, Italy, North Macedonia, Slovenia, Croatia

IT AIMS AT developing learning methodologies to promote a deeper understanding of Europe's shared history among young people through remembrance of Yugoslav Wars and European integration.



WOMCOM - Women's Communication for Solidarity

 Erasmus +  883.789,00 EUR  Sep 2017-Feb 2019  5

Countries impacted: Serbia, Croatia, Bosnia and Herzegovina, France, Italy

IT AIMS AT aims at promoting intercultural exchange and solidarity among women coming from different backgrounds through street-art.



STUDENT TALENT BANK

 Erasmus +  276.559,00 EUR  Oct 2017-Jan 2020  7

Countries impacted: France, Greece, Belgium, Spain, Netherlands, Italy, Romania

IT AIMS AT promoting entrepreneurial education in secondary schools among teachers to prevent early school leaving, facilitate the transition from school to work and increase students' engagement





PARFAIT - Participation des Femmes pour l'Avancement et l'Innovation de la Tunisie

EuropeAid 625.000,00 EUR Oct 2017-Apr 2020 3

Countries impacted: Tunisia - Governorates of Gasfa, Kairouan, Grand Tunis, Jendouba, Kebili and Mahdia

IT AIMS AT increasing Tunisian women participation at local level by giving them the tools to fully access the public sphere – as voters and candidates, but also as empowered, informed and involved citizens. 3 main objectives: Contribute to the improvement of women's participation to the decision-making processes in the targeted governorates; Promote the integration of the gender dimension by local authorities in all their actions; Promote a shared vision of the place of women in local and regional public life through the opening of spaces for dialogue and collective learning.

Main project achievement: Through this project, 180 women, as well as 48 elected representatives from the six regions received continuous coaching on the gender dimension aiming at improving women's participation in the local public life.

“ The citizen is not used to having a dynamic and egalitarian relationship with the municipality. It is precisely the mentalities that need to be tackled: the municipality must know that it is at the service of the citizen, and the citizen must know that the municipality is at his or her service, while at the same time trusting it. “

Henda Bel Hadj Ali, President of the Equal Opportunities Commission of the Municipality of Tunis





SWUP - Sport for Women in Urban Places

Erasmus+ 284.728,00 EUR Jan 2018-Jun 2019 7

Countries impacted: France, Italy, Spain, Bulgaria, Romania, Netherlands, Portugal
IT AIMS AT creating urban environments for sports/physical activity that are women-friendly and forming a SW-UP community of practice and a platform to share good practices.



AVEC 2

AVEC 2

Fondation RAJA-Danièle Marcovici 23.500,00 EUR Sept. 2018-2019 3

Countries impacted: Morocco -Tiddas region
IT AIMS AT promoting the empowerment and the socio-economic integration of vulnerable women in the Tiddas region of Morocco through the creation of cooperatives.
QUOTE about project above: "Our major challenge is to encourage other women to set up cooperatives themselves, and to fight stereotypes that make entrepreneurship a male domain while women have to stay at home" Karima Harchaoui, - president of the TIDAS cooperative



BRIGHT - Building RIGHTS-based and Innovative Governance for EU mobile women

REC-Rights, Equality and Citizenship 393.168,29 EUR Dec 2019-Nov 2019 6

Countries impacted: Italy, Romania, Bulgaria, France
IT AIMS AT supporting the access to gender responsive public services for Romanian and Bulgarian women employed in low standard labor sectors in Southern Italy



EGAL

GENDER EQUALITY
IN LOCAL ACTION



EGAL - Gender Equality in Local Action

Fons Mallorquí de Solidaritat i Cooperació 40.000,00 EUR Jan 2019-2020 3

Countries impacted: Morocco - Province of Tétouan

IT AIMS AT continuing ALDA's efforts to promote women's rights in Morocco, by working with local authorities to encourage improvement of living conditions of women in the province of Tétouan.

“Women occupy only 12% of leadership positions. They collide, at the same time in the public and in the private sector, with the “glass ceiling” which is defined as the array of “artificial (invisible) barriers” created by behavioural or organisational biases which impeach qualified individuals' progress within their organization”.

Diagnostic of Tétouan Province realised throughout the EGAL project



CULTURE AND DIALOGUE THROUGH VOLUNTEERING

Erasmus+ 14.262,00 EUR May 2019-Nov 2020 2

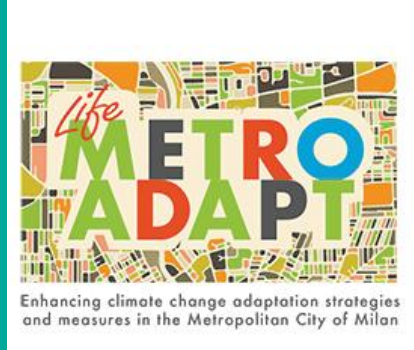
Countries impacted: North Macedonia

IT AIMS AT creating opportunities to volunteers to immerse them-self in the Macedonian experience, improve their skills in communication, languages and youth work.

“Coming here in Skopje and working with the ALDA team is a fruitful experience. Along with a permanent discovery of a new culture, there is a wide horizon of possibilities to act and make a difference!”

- Théo Magnani, volunteer





LIFE METRO-ADAPT - Enhancing climate change adaptation strategies and measures in the metropolitan City of Milan

LIFE 676.409,00 EUR Mar 2018 - Sep 2021 5

Countries impacted: Italy

IT AIMS AT fostering the creation of a common well-structured governance related to climate change adaptation among the local authorities of the Metropolitan Area of Milan and produce tools that allow local authorities to implement cost-effective climate change adaptation strategies and policies adapted to the local context. LIFE METRO ADAPT also pays attention to the sharing and dissemination of the project's tools and good practices with the other Italian and EU metropolitan areas.

Main project achievement: A Climate analysis and a vulnerability assessment have been developed, in accordance with which specific guidelines have been implemented at the metropolitan scale; (2) Climate change adaptation measures have been included in metropolitan planning: The Metropolitan Territorial Plan (PTM) is one of the first territorial plans in Italy that dedicates a whole section of its normative document to environmental emergencies and that creates a distributive fund to finance adaptation measures at metropolitan and supra-municipal level. (3) A Climate Knowledge Network has been created including a wide variety of stakeholders: universities, research centers, civil society organizations, public sector...





LIFE FALKON

LIFE 1.652.269,00 EUR Jul 2018 - Dec 2022 5

Countries impacted: France, Italy, Greece
IT AIMS AT protecting the Lesser Kestrel, a falcon species whose conservation is a priority in the European area and whose populations are concentrated in the Mediterranean.



LIFE BEWARE - Better Water management for Advancing Resilient communities in Europe

LIFE 1.188.160,00 EUR Sep 2018 - Jun 2022 7

Countries impacted: Italy
IT AIMS AT the diffusion of a model for climate adaptation to flood risk through innovative and cost-efficient landscaping practices and land-management techniques



FOREST - Forestry Operators Reflecting on Equalising Skills and Training

Erasmus + 75.350,00 EUR EUR Nov 2019 - Oct 2021 5

Countries impacted: Italy, Croatia, Slovenia, Austria, Romania, France
IT AIMS AT compensating the fragmentation of competences in forestry management at national and international levels, by giving rise to a standard level of competences and skills of forestry workers and promoting innovation and professionalism by joint actions and initiatives.





CARAVAN NEXT

Creative Europe 107.500 EUR September 2015 - February 2019 13

Countries impacted: Denmark, Greece, Czech Republic, Italy, Netherlands, Poland, Slovakia, Germany, Spain, France, Slovenia

IT AIMS AT the cultural empowerment of each community, through an intensive audience development experience promoting an increase in the quantity and quality of the participation to the cultural events.



CRISCO - Crossroad of regions - Fostering Involvement of all Citizens in Local Life to Improve Social Cohesion

EACEA 150.000,00 EUR Sep 2017 - Aug 2019 10

Countries impacted: Belgium, France, Italy, Denmark, The Netherlands, Lithuania, Slovenia, Latvia, Albania, Estonia

IT AIMS AT fostering the involvement of all citizens in local life to improve social cohesion and mutual understanding among the population of these cosmopolitan cities.



IDP SAVE - IDPs' Social Adaptation as a Human Rehabilitation Vital Element

The Waldensian evangelical church-Otto per Mille 29.760,00 EUR

De 2017 - Mar 2019 2

Countries impacted: Ukraine

IT AIMS AT creating a favorable environment for adaptation and integration of IDPs (Internally Displaced People) into local communities, thus contributing to cohesion in society and stability in the Dnipropetrovsk region





EMEN - European Migrant Entrepreneurship Network

COSME 416.391,00 EUR Jun 2017 – May 2020 12

Countries impacted: Belgium, France, Germany, Greece, Netherlands
IT AIMS AT sharing approaches and lessons learnt on migrant entrepreneurship to develop, share and promote support schemes not only for individual migrant entrepreneurs but also for social and inclusive enterprises benefitting migrants.



PERFECTING THE STRUCTURE FOR GOOD INTERNAL MANAGEMENT IN ALDA SKOPJE

“Sustainable Civil Society-State Financing of CSOs” of MCIC in partnership with BCSDN and CNVOS
 7.500,00 EUR Jul 2018 – Jun 2019 1

Countries impacted: North Macedonia
IT AIMS AT strengthening the capacities for the internal management of ALDA Skopje in accordance with the democratic principles of good governance, transparency and accountability.

“The accounting and administrative training was a unique opportunity to better my skills for creating a well-functioning office and updating essential internal procedures”
Ivana Velkova, ALDA Skopje



LIME - Labour integration for Migrants Employment

AMIF 797.630.43,00 EUR Dec 2018 – Dec 2020 8

Countries impacted: Italy, Spain, France
IT AIMS AT at promoting the swift integration of young Third Country Nationals (aged 18-29) in the labour market, by implementing the “Migrants Economic Integration Cluster- MEIC” model all over Europe.





WEMIN
Migrant Women
Empowerment and Integration



WEMIN - Migrant Women Empowerment and Integration

AMIF 739.195.73,00 EUR Jan 2018 - Dec 2019 9

Countries impacted: Greece, France, Sweden, Germany, Italy, Portugal, Ireland, Spain

IT AIMS AT implementing and promoting a comprehensive integration model for migrant/refugee women (MRW). Through direct interventions in women populations and through experience-sharing among partners social, cultural, educational and professional aspects of inclusion will be addressed and active participation will be achieved.

Main project achievement: The organization of training sessions for the MRW, along with empowerment and monitoring sessions. - Implementation of intercultural artistic workshops for MRW and women from the host society country. During these workshops participants created several artifacts which were then presented during an exhibition. This latter was held in November 2019 -The booklet of stories of change





CITIZENS VOICE & ACTIONS IN CONSOLIDATED COMMUNITIES IN ARMENIA

Eu. Neighbourhood Instruments 1.112.000,00 EUR Mar 2018 - Aug 2021 4

Countries impacted: Armenia

IT AIMS AT addressing the inadequate capacity of communities to foster local development in a sustainable, participatory and accountable manner by strengthening local partnerships and intensifying the cooperation with the EU and regional partners



REGIONAL YOUTH COMPACT FOR EUROPE

European Commission 823.400,00 EUR May 2018 - May 2021 13

Countries impacted: Serbia, Montenegro, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Kosovo, North Macedonia, Albania, Turkey

IT AIMS AT enhancing CSOs' participation in policy design and in monitoring the process of EU integration in the Western Balkans and to engage youth to participate more actively in this process

Main Achievement Organization of the Politeia Summer School for youth leaders



CUT - Culture Twinning: Twinning Tourism Promoting Cultural Heritage

Europe for Citizens 120.960,00 EUR Sep 2018 - Aug 2020 10

Countries impacted: Slovenia, Montenegro, Germany, Poland, Italy, Spain, Slovakia, Bosnia Herzegovina

IT AIMS AT creating a network of towns and increasing awareness of common identity, past, culture to design a shared vision of the future of Europe.





MIND INCLUSION 2.0

Erasmus+ 293.880.00,00 EUR Nov 2018 - Oct 2020 6

Countries impacted: Italy, Spain, Lithuania, France

IT AIMS AT fostering the competencies of educators of disabled people across Europe to promote participative co-creation and the use of an innovative online tool supported by the definition of a solid facilitation methodology to increase the involvement of disabled people in the society



FROMMETOEU

Europe for Citizens 31.186,00 EUR Nov 2018 - Dec 2019 16

Countries impacted: Italy, Croatia, Macedonia, Albania, France, Poland, Italy, Spain, Belgium, Greece

IT AIMS AT creating opportunities for European citizens and Migrants' communities to work together and to promote a new idea of a multicultural Europe



MIICT - ICT Enabled Public Services for Migration

Horizon 2020 3.479.887.50,00 EUR Nov 2018 - Oct 2021 15

Countries impacted: United Kingdom, Austria, Greece, France, Finland, Bulgaria, Cyprus, Italy

IT AIMS AT Co-designing ICTs to assist in the integration of refugee and migrant populations through the provision of customised access to key public services.

MiICT



JOURNEY

Erasmus+ 149.791.71,00 EUR Dec 2018 - Nov 2020 7

Countries impacted: Ukraine, Georgia, Azerbaijan

IT AIMS AT increasing the productivity and activation of rural youth through new teaching methods and at raising the level of awareness of the youth and increasing their entrepreneurship competencies.



CLINK - Cultural heritage linking diversities in Europe

Europe for Citizens 148,680,00 EUR Jan 2019 - Jun 2020 9

Countries impacted: Serbia, France, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Croatia, Montenegro, Greece, Albania

IT AIMS AT connecting EU and non-EU countries by raising awareness on the importance their own cultural heritage has in the tapestry of Europe's richness and diversity



IMPACT - Inclusion Matters: using Performing Arts towards Cohesion and Tolerance

Erasmus+ 207.026,00 EUR Mar 2019 - Feb 2021 8

Countries impacted: Denmark, France, Italy, Montenegro, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Slovenia, North Macedonia, Serbia

IT AIMS AT fostering social inclusion by developing art strategies, techniques and methodologies which target refugees and citizens at local level.

“I feel happy because you approached us and together we did something great”

Riden, a refugee from Nepal







PERCEPTIONS

Horizon 2020 4.994.652,00 EUR Sep 2019 – Sep 2022 25

Countries impacted: Austria, United Kingdom, Italy, Spain, The Netherlands, Belgium, Greece, Bulgaria, Germany, Algeria, Egypt, Cyprus, France, Kosovo, Israel
IT AIMS AT identifying and understanding the narratives and (mis-)perceptions of the EU abroad, assess potential issues related with the border and external security in order to allow better planning and outline reactions and countermeasures.



EPIC - European Platform of Integrating Cities

AMIF 12.076.499.78,00 EUR Nov 2019 – Nov 2022 17

Countries impacted: France, Germany, United Kingdom, Belgium, Italy, Greece, Croatia, Spain, Portugal, Poland
IT AIMS AT improving the integration of migrants at local level by creating a network of Local Authorities (LAs) and their implementing partners (NGOs)



SPRAY - Space Regeneration through Art by Youth

Erasmus+ 29.235,00 EUR Apr 2019 - Dec 2019 11

Countries impacted: Italy, France, Check Republic, Latvia, Bosnia Herzegovina, Slovenia, Germany, Portugal, North Macedonia, Serbia, Ireland
IT AIMS AT regenerating degraded quarters in both urban and social terms through street art. Moreover, it empowered young citizens to take up the renewal of their own town through a bottom-up approach.





#EuSAVE - EU Citizens' Action for Smart Historic Villages

Europe for Citizens 146.160,00 EUR Jan 2019 - Dec 2020 8

Countries impacted: ASpain, Italy, Croatia, Belgium, Portugal, Bulgaria, North Macedonia, Latvia

IT AIMS AT creating a network of European smart historic villages that enhances the citizens' involvement and participation in the socio-economic life of their villages



SHERPA - Sustainable Hub to Engage into Rural Policies with Actors

Horizon 2020 4.999.747.50,00 EUR Oct 2019 - Sep 2023 17

Countries impacted: Belgium, France, Greece, Sweden, Netherlands, Italy, Spain, United Kingdom, Germany, Slovenia, Poland, Portugal

IT AIMS AT gathering relevant knowledge and opinions that contribute to the formulation of recommendations for future policies relevant to EU rural areas



MONUMENTAL 9

Regional Cooperation Council 53.000,00 EUR Oct 2019 - Jul 2020 8

Countries impacted: Montenegro, Serbia, North Macedonia, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Kosovo

IT AIMS AT stimulating tourism and increasing youth employment and income generating activities by engaging micro-localities, youth greeters and vloggers.



Monumental 9



MEDIA DIALOGUE

European Union 2.900.000,00 EUR Oct 2019 – May 2021 5

Countries impacted: Kyrgyzstan

IT AIMS AT strengthening the capacity and responsibility of media actors in Kyrgyzstan to operate as drivers of democracy and to prevent potential conflicts during the parliamentary elections scheduled for October 2020.



WISE - While Innovating and Strengthening Europe

Europe for Citizens 150.000,00 EUR Dec 2017 – May 2019 16

Countries impacted: France, Italy, Slovenia, Montenegro, Albania, Portugal, Belgium, Bulgaria, Croatia, Netherlands, Spain, North Macedonia, Serbia, Greece, Czech Republic, Romania

IT AIMS AT develops citizens' understanding of the EU, combats stigmatisation of migrants, raises awareness of remembrance and promotes common values and history.



FAIR EU - Fostering Awareness Inclusion and Recognition of EU Mobile Citizens' Political Rights

REC - Rights, Equality and Citizenship 447.045.87,00 EUR Jan 2018 – Jun 2019 6

Countries impacted: France, Belgium, Italy, Sweden, Netherlands

IT AIMS AT fostering successful inclusion of EU mobile citizens in their host country's civic and political life through a holistic approach to tackling obstacles they face when exercising their rights.







APPROACH

REC 839.974.74,00 EUR Apr 2018 - Apr 2020 9

Countries impacted: France, Italy, Greece, Belgium, Denmark, Portugal, Poland, Netherlands

IT AIMS AT facilitating the circulation of information to promote the free exercise of free movement rights of the EU Mobile Citizens (EUMC) through the development of a digital ecosystem, an online platform, and an online community.



CROSS-OVER

Europe for Citizens 148.680.00,00 EUR Sep 2018 - Dec 2019 14

Countries impacted: Czech Republic, Croatia, Slovenia, Hungary, Slovakia, Poland, France, Italy, Malta, Sweden, Denmark

IT AIMS AT fostering civic engagement during the 2019 European elections especially in the most euro-skeptical countries



AGREED - Activating Governance Reform for Enhancing Development

CSO-LA in the Republic of Moldova 479.038,00 EUR Feb 2019-2021 3

Countries impacted: Moldova

IT AIMS AT strengthening the capacity of Moldovan local authorities to perform a transparent and participatory governance, focusing on the policy making process related to the upcoming Decentralisation reform.





TANDEM V - Cooperation for citizens' participation and development of local communities in Belarus

German Marshall Fund of the United States 124.985,00 EUR Mar 2019 - Dec 2020 2

Countries impacted: Belarus

IT AIMS AT activating citizens to participate in decision-making at the local level, strengthening civil society organizations through raising the level of knowledge in the field of project management and grant management, creating dialogue platforms between NGOs and local authorities, reducing dependency moods



REMEMBRANCE OF THE FIRST WORLD WAR IN MACEDONIA

Regional Council of Normandy - Normandy for Peace Program 35.000,00 EUR
 Jan 2019 - May 2020 6

Countries impacted: France, North Macedonia

IT AIMS AT territorial development through actions highlighting the collective European history of the First World War.



FACE - Fighting Against Cyberbullying & Exclusion

Erasmus+ 60.000,00 EUR Mar 2019 - Feb 2021 9

Countries impacted: France, Italy, Morocco, Czech Republic, Spain, Malta, Belgium, Denmark, Germany

IT AIMS AT developing guidelines, materials, networks and innovative methodologies combining multidisciplinary artistic approaches to tackle cyberbullying among teens and children.





Empowering local authorities and civil society to deliver solutions with Participative Democracy



Konrad-Adenauer-Stiftung (KAS) Foundation



50.760,00 EUR



Feb2019 - Dec2019



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Countries impacted: Ukraine, Moldova

IT AIMS AT empowering the capacities of local elected leaders, civil servants and civil society who will be trained and empowered to be able to address local problems through participative approaches and identifying more sustainable, fair and inclusive solutions. The project will therefore promote local development and contribute to the achievement of the global Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) at the local level.

Main project achievement: After the first step of assessment-visits in the targeted cities of Ukraine and Moldova, a detailed report has been drafted, describing and analysing the findings, through the Eloge methodology. Different local authorities and civil society organisations have been interviewed in order to identify the real needs of the communities, through the understanding of trends, weaknesses and existing best-practices. On that basis, ad hoc trainings have been delivered in each city, aimed at transferring knowledge and skills on participative democracy and concrete methods of engagement in order to enable participants to put in place such a process in their area.



VIRTUAL INSANITY

FOR TRANSPARENCY IN DIGITAL POLITICAL ADVERTISING



VIRTUAL INSANITY- The need for transparency in digital political advertising

Civitates Fund 118.000,00 EUR May 2019 – Jun 2020 6

Countries impacted: Belgium, France, Italy, Spain, Netherlands, Czech Republic
IT AIMS AT strengthening European level policy that guarantees transparency in digital political advertising, through research and multi-stakeholder policy dialogue at national and European level



ACHIEVE - Awareness of Common History for Identifying and Extending the Values of Europe

Europe for Citizens 148.680,00 EUR Jun 2019 – May 2021 13

Countries impacted: Italy, Albania, Bulgaria, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Czech Republic, Croatia, North Macedonia, Montenegro, Romania, Serbia
IT AIMS AT developing the EU identity starting from a reflection on common history, art and religions as a tool to fight growing Euroscepticism.



DIGITAL - Supporting Democratic Union and Active Citizenship in Digital Era

Europe for Citizens 148.680,00 EUR Sep 2019 – Apr 2021 6

Countries impacted: ???
IT AIMS AT answering three main challenges: the impact of digital culture on democracy, European and local elections in a digital age, Digital participation to support democratic Union in digital era.





FRANCE/BALKANS MULTILATERAL DECENTRALISED COOPERATION PROGRAMME ON GOOD GOVERNANCE IN SOUTH-EAST EUROPE

Erasmus+ 115.825,00 EUR Sep 2016 - Sep 2019 4

Countries impacted: Italy, Bulgaria, France, Spain
IT AIMS AT equipping civil servants with the basic skills needed to implement co-creation approaches with the actors of the civil society using ICT solutions.



CSOs FOR MAKING LOCAL DEMOCRACY WORK

IPA - Civil Society Facility and Media Programme 2014-2015 332.508,00 EUR
 Feb 2017 - Jan 2020 3

Countries impacted: North Macedonia
IT AIMS AT encouraging networking and exchange of best practices between civil society organizations and local authorities to facilitate the EU accession process for North Macedonia.



FORUM OF BEST PRACTICES FOR CIVIL SOCIETY ORGANISATIONS AND LOCAL AUTHORITIES COOPERATION

CEI 13.240,00 EUR Jan 2019 - Jul 2020 1

Countries impacted: North Macedonia
IT AIMS AT increasing awareness on the importance of local democracy and cooperation between CSOs and LAs as well as the need to ensure financial sustainability of CSOs with support of LAs





RECOV: REthinking COLlaborative Values for public services

 Europe for Citizens  150.000,00 EUR  Mar 2018 - Feb 2020  10

Countries impacted: North Macedonia, France, Italy, Slovenia, Portugal, Serbia, Albania, Latvia, Romania, Italy

IT AIMS AT creating a network of towns eager to exchange best practices, common problems, joint brainstorming and introduce concrete measures in regard to project specific objectives.

The project consists of the following **activities:**

4 international events focused on ICT tools for open government; collaborative public services; innovative and sustainable financial instruments for local governments; participation and collaborative values as a way to innovation and local development; and local activities on the topic implemented in all partner countries.

Main project achievement: The grassroots actions, especially the various local paths organized in Skopje, Grosuplje, Tirana, Centar, Rucar, had a great and deep impact on local communities and project partners.

“ People have sense that their ideas are not only heard, but implemented, achieving a beneficial relation that is productive for the whole community

Antonio De Martin, Santorso Municipality, RECOV project partner ”





SCINTILLA - Vivere meglio adesso

pro-bono project n/a Mar 2019 - [ongoing] 3

Countries impacted: Italy-Vicenza

IT AIMS AT promoting the re-qualification of a neighbourhood of Vicenza by involving its inhabitants in the decision-making process regarding its future.



DECENTRALISED COOPERATION BETWEEN NORMANDY AND N.MACEDONIA

Ministry of Foreign Affairs of France and partners in the programme

196.428,00 EUR May 2019 - Apr 2020 10

Countries impacted: France, North Macedonia

IT AIMS AT Reinforcing the network of cooperation between the two countries on the process of decentralisation, and exchanging of best practices based on the French mode

Main Achievement a cooperation lasting and growing for 12 years!!!



VALID - European Towns- Enacting Common Values of Solidarity and Intercultural Dialogue

Europe for Citizens 143.640,00 EUR Oct 2019 - Sep 2021 12

Countries impacted: Kosovo, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Montenegro, Serbia, Albania, North Macedonia, Italy, Greece, Slovenia, France

IT AIMS AT building a strong network of towns committed to intercultural exchange, using a bottom-up approach and through promotion of cultural participation



The Network of the LDAs

ALDA coordinates and supports the network of 15 Local Democracy Agencies (LDAs) and 3 Operational Partners (OPs) in their activities. Initiated by the Council of Europe in the '90s, the programme represents a unique and successful experiment of democratic support, with full engagement of local governments and civil society organisations from Europe and the neighboring countries.

LDAs are locally based organisations funded and supported by both local partners, such as authorities and civil society organisations, and international associates with a long-term joint programme, providing financial and political support to fulfil their mandate and to accompany local democracy, civil society empowerment, Indeed, partnership building is a crucial aspect for each LDA, as their work is based on the innovative method of multilateral decentralised cooperation.

All in all, LDAs and OPs pursue the following objectives:

- ✔ Promoting good local governance and citizens participation, creating an inclusive society
- ✔ Building capacities through the exchange of know-how and training to local elected representatives and civil servants
- ✔ Creating a Europe-wide network of citizens committed to dialogue, engagement, and solidarity
- ✔ Improving intercultural dialogue and diversity management in multicultural local communities

The network is in constant expansion, with the newly established LDA Northern Morocco inaugurated in April 2019, in Tétouan and with local branches in 4 municipalities of the Country. This event not only marks the opening of the second LDA in the Mediterranean, but it is a clear sign of a growing partnership with local municipalities and networks of North Africa. Another important achievement was the re-activation of the LDA Albania, under the guide of a new delegate and many project ideas in the pipeline!

Not only expansion, but consolidation. 2019 is a year destined to remain in history thanks to the creation of the **Balkan Network for Local Democracy (BNLD)**. Its founding members are ALDA, LDA Mostar, LDA Zavidovici, LDA Prijedor, LDA Montenegro, LDA Subotica, LDA Central and Southern Serbia, LDA Kosovo, and ALDA Skopje. The Network is a natural outlet for these Agencies working together in the same region for more than two decades and the proof of the successful support ALDA has been providing to the LDAs, now able to organize themselves autonomously.

LDA ALBANIA



Delegate: Jerola Ziaj

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Lead partner: Metropolitan city of Bari, Italy

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After a period of stand-by, the LDA Albania is now fully operative with its headquarter in Vlora, in the southern part of the country. It aims to promote the consolidation of the democracy at local level, the development of the institutions through exchange of expertise and best practices. It also provides training to the local administration and supports the development of a network of European cities for the protection of human rights, supporting intercultural and interethnic dialogue.

Projects and activities implemented in 2019:

- ✓ Project RYCE/ Regional Youth Compact for Europe
- ✓ Project CLINK/Cultural heritage linking diversities in Europe

LDA ARMENIA



Delegate: Lusine Aleksandryan

Location: Gyumri

Lead partner: Autonomous Region Friuli Venezia Giulia, Italy

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The LDA Armenia was established in 2011. Among its main priorities are to promote the capacities of local authorities and civil society in citizens' participation, support participative practices in the development of local and sustainable tourism, reinforce regional cooperation, empower youth and women in environmental and community development initiatives. Furthermore, the cooperation with the French Embassy, the Council of Europe, Kettering Foundation, Black Sea NGO Forum, UN and the European stakeholders promoted the implementation of many initiatives in the field of local democracy and participative decision-making.

Projects and activities implemented in 2019:

- ✓ "Citizens Voice and Actions on Local Development in Consolidated Communities in Armenia"
- ✓ "CSO-Government dialogue: Towards policy reforms on reducing the use of plastic bags" project
- ✓ "Support to kindergartens", implemented in cooperation with local authorities

LDA CENTRAL AND SOUTHERN SERBIA



Delegate: Saša Marinkov

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The LDA Central and Southern Serbia was established in 2001 in the City of Niš, Serbia. With the aim of spreading its program further onto the territories in need, in 2014 the LDA has moved its headquarter to Knjaževac, a city in South-Eastern Serbia. The LDA carries on activities in Niš, Knjaževac, Kraljevo and Kragujevac and it contributes to the development of local democracy in the communities of Eastern, Southern and Central Serbia through capacity building programs based on the principles of active citizenship and establishment of concrete mechanisms of citizens' participation in development of their communities.

Projects and activities implemented in 2019:

- ✔ CLINK - Cultural heritage linking diversities in Europe, ✔ Regional Youth Compact for Europe
- ✔ VOLS EUROPE - Volunteer Management in Europe's Youth Sector ✔ Cultural Heritage 2.0
- ✔ Development of an information system for decision-making support in the field of sustainable forest management ✔ Monumental 9

LDA OF DNIPROPETROVSK REGION



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The LDA of Dnipropetrovsk Region was established in 2015, thus becoming the first LDA in Ukraine. It stands as a platform of cooperation, dialogue and exchange of experiences and best practices on regional development, focusing on the cultural, social and economic aspects, acting as mediator between local authorities and civil society of EU and Ukraine. This LDA fosters citizen participation at the local level, and mobilizes civil society organizations, local and regional authorities to develop joint initiatives.

Projects and activities implemented in 2019:

- ✔ IDPs Save - Social Adaptation as a Human Rehabilitation Vital Element
- ✔ Development and advocacy project of the Concept of e-democracy of the Dnipro city until 2020 ✔ We are the e-community of the Dnipro city ✔ Who is responsible?
- ✔ Empowering local authorities and civil society to deliver solutions with Participative Democracy

LDA GEORGIA



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Location: Kutaisi

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The Local Democracy Agency Georgia was set up in 2007 in Kutaisi, as part of ALDA's strategy in the Southern Caucasus. The mission of the LDA Georgia is to strengthen local democracy and civil society, support democratic reforms in Georgia, and develop new and innovative approaches to local and national challenges by cooperating with local and international stakeholders.

Projects and activities implemented in 2019:

- ✔ "Civil Society Development Initiative" - Regional HUB in Imereti Region; ✔ Project Increasing Awareness about the Association Agreement with the European Union in Samegrelo-Upper Svaneti Region; ✔ Citizens' Initiative for Accountable Self-Governance ✔ Inclusive dialogue for effective social policy ✔ Project "Assessing the Needs of Youth in the EaP (ANY EaP)"
- ✔ JOURNEY - Joint organization to Unite Rural Networks of Entrepreneurial Youth
- ✔ Project "Increasing the Awareness and Engagement of Kutaisi's Youth"

LDA KOSOVO



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The LDA Kosovo was officially opened in 2011 in Peja/Pec, to promote local democracy in the country. The LDA implements its mission through activities in the fields of democracy, justice, human rights, youth and equal opportunities, dialogue among minority communities in Kosovo, economic development, and social and cultural development. LDA Kosovo implements capacity building programmes aimed at fostering active citizenship and at establishing concrete mechanisms of citizens' participation, thus empowering citizens to improve their communities, as well as their society.

Projects and activities implemented in 2019:

- ✔ First Regional Thematic Network Forum and Annual Conference - Tirana, Albania ✔ Workshop for Regional Youth Working group, in Prishtina ✔ POLITELIA Summer School- Danilovgrad, Montenegro ✔ Training on Rule of Law and Fundamental Rights, Mostar Bosnia and Herzegovina
- ✔ Regional Forum Youth Regional Compact for Europe ✔ Project "Youth n'Hike", supported by the municipality of Peja, Directorate for Culture, Youth and Sport ✔ VALID

- ✔ Project Activity “Workshop on Sustainable Development Goals”
- ✔ Summer school “BalkanAnimazione”, supported by Autonomous Province of Trento.
- ✔ Project “Monumental 9”, funded by the Regional Cooperation Council.
- ✔ Project “European Towns - Enacting Common Values of Solidarity and Intercultural Dialogue-VALID”

LDA MARIUPOL



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The Local Democracy Agency Mariupol was established in December 2017, with the aim of implementing democracy best-practices in Mariupol in order to develop a productive dialogue between the community and the local government as well as to support participatory democracy tools for a fair and sustainable development.

Projects and activities implemented in 2019:

- ✔ Empowering local authorities and civil society to deliver solutions with Participative Democracy
- ✔ Youth4Democracy
- ✔ IMPULSE – Innovative modern practices upgrading language specialist education
- ✔ Youth-Friendly Mariupol
- ✔ Participation in the Ukrainian Women’s Congress in Mariupol
- ✔ Participation in the 12th edition of the Black Sea NGO Forum: “Consolidating the Black Sea NGO Community for Sustainable Development”



LDA MOLDOVA IN CIMISLIA



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The LDA Moldova in Cimișlia has been established on 3 March 2017, with the signature of the Memorandum of Understanding by the partnership, thus kicking off the operational activities of the LDA. It represents the first Local Democracy Agency in Moldova, based in the city of Cimișlia, a historic and symbolic city, the aim is to create a platform for cooperation, dialogue and mutual exchange of experience in all aspects (cultural, social and economic) between local communities and communities of European partners and will constitute a platform of discussion between citizens, local associations and authorities on the field in order to meet the needs of local communities

Projects and activities implemented in 2019:

- ✓ Agreed - Activating Governance Reform for Enhancing Development (2019 - 2021)
- ✓ Empowering Local Authorities and Civil Society to Deliver Solutions with Participative Democracy ✓ Transparent Budgets and Active Citizens for Sustainable Development
- ✓ Participation in the 12th edition of the Black Sea NGO Forum: "Consolidating the Black Sea NGO Community for Sustainable Development"

LDA MONTENEGRO



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The LDA Montenegro was established in 2001. Its main priorities are local administration capacity development, human rights and peace building, youth participation, local economic development, and European Union integration processes.

Projects and activities implemented in 2019:

- ✓ Regional Youth Compact for Europe, ✓ CO.CO TOUR - Safeguarding, enhancing and promoting the natural and cultural heritage of Coastal Communities by boosting the eco-museum model aiming at smart and sustainable TOURism management ✓ CLINK- Cultural Heritage Linking Diversities in Europe ✓ IMPACT - Inclusion matters: Using performance art towards Cohesion and Tolerance ✓ CHECK, CHOOSE, ANALYZE! Campaign for promotion of media and information literacy ✓ MONUMENTAL 9 ✓ Transparency Index of Local Self-Governments ✓ Info Point for Youth



LDA MOSTAR



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Since its establishment in November 2004, Local Democracy Agency Mostar acts as a locally registered non-profit, nongovernmental organization, with the support of its partners and co-operation with other Agencies and the Association of Local Democracy Agencies (ALDA). It is precisely this co-operation, both on local and regional level that has enabled numerous activities and projects useful for the development of local community and its inclusion into processes at the regional level. Activities of LDA Mostar, which aim to create a more active citizenry on one side, and transparent and accountable local authorities on the other, are focused towards development of a modern democratic society. These activities entangle every segment of life of the local community and offer a possibility of improving the living standard of all categories of the society by directly influencing concrete changes.

Projects and activities implemented in 2019:

- ✔ INCOME - Innovating CO-working Methods through Exchange ✔ Snapshot from the Borders - Small towns facing the global challenges of Agenda 2030 ✔ Balkan Kaleidoscope
- ✔ VOLS EUROPE - Volunteer Management in Europe's Youth sector ✔ WomCom - Women's Communication for Solidarity ✔ Regional YOUTH COMPACT for Europe ✔ BRIDGE II - Berlin cultural Intervention - Differences Grow Equal ✔ CLINK - Cultural heritage as a link diversity of Europe ✔ IMPACT - Inclusion Matters! Using Performing Arts towards Cohesion and Tolerance ✔ SPRAY - Space Regeneration through Art by Youth ✔ Capacity building, support to the local Institutions and contribution to the economic development of the renewable energy, environment sustainability, forest management, promotion of micro and small enterprises in three BiH municipalities ✔ Youth Ambassadors of Non-Formal Learning
- ✔ Monumental 9

LDA NORTHERN MOROCCO



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The LDA Northern Morocco was established in April 2019 and it is based in the Tanger-Tétouan-Al Hoceima region. Its main goals are the promotion of good local governance and citizen participation in Morocco, acting as a platform supporting dialogue among citizens, associations and authorities present in the territory.

Projects and activities implemented in 2019:

- ✓ EGAL project
- ✓ Participatory workshop "Fikra Log" for the creation of the LDA NM's visual identity
- ✓ TAMKIN Summer Academy
- ✓ Exchange visit between ALDA and LDA NM's leaders and partners

LDA PRIJEDOR



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LDA Prijedor was established in 2000. Its main priorities are promoting citizens' participation, supporting the democratic process at the local level, fostering the social network between citizens, organizations and institutions, supporting social inclusion and local economic development, and contributing to the work on Remembrance.

Projects and activities implemented in 2019:

- ✓ Theater workshop project
- ✓ Prijedor - city of mural
- ✓ School Cooperative Fair
- ✓ Recycling project in the schools "Learn by doing"
- ✓ Study visit in Trentino for students from agricultural school from Prijedor
- ✓ Participatory territorial planning of local development
- ✓ Capacity building, support to the local Institutions and contribution to the economic development of the renewable energy, environment sustainability, forest management, promotion of micro and small enterprises in three BiH municipalities
- ✓ Daily center with public kitchen for elder people in Ljubija
- ✓ Remote adoption project
- ✓ CLINK - Cultural heritage as a link diversity of Europe
- ✓ RYCE - Regional YOUTH COMPACT for Europe

LDA SUBOTICA



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LDA Subotica was established in 1993, as the first Local Democracy Agency. Its main programmes are focused on capacity building, awareness raising, and advocacy actions intended for three main target groups – policy and decision makers at local level, civil society organisations, youth and women’s groups in particular. Educating for democratic citizenship, promoting intercultural dialogue, regional cooperation, cross-sectoral partnership building for local sustainable development are the main types of activities, including networking at regional and European level. Its main priorities include advocating for democratic governance and participation and getting the accession negotiation process with the EU closer to citizens in local communities in Serbia and in multicultural Autonomous Province of Vojvodina in particular.

Projects and activities implemented in 2019:

✔ Regional Youth Compact for Europe – Consolidating Regional Thematic Networks of Civil Society Organisations ✔ Balkan Kaleidoscope – Europe for Citizens Programme ✔ New Intercultural Concept, Sub-granting programme Divided Past Joint Future ✔ Monumental 9 ✔ Practice Solidarity and Shape Europe ✔ Townlab MEET, Network of Towns ✔ Citizens of Macro Regions for a Stronger Europe ✔ Public Administration Reform – Membership in National Working Groups

LDA TUNISIA



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LDA Tunisia was established in April 2017. It represents the first Local Democracy Agency in the Mediterranean. The Agency is based in the city of Kairouan, a historic and symbolic city, and constitutes a platform of discussion between citizens, local associations and authorities on the field in order to meet the needs of local communities.

Projects and activities implemented in 2019:

- ✔ Raising citizens’ awareness of political participation and elections ✔ Development of community support and monitoring projects for socio-economic integration and active citizenship
- ✔ Sensitizing Las on civic participation in public decision-making processes ✔ Sensitizing LAs and CSOs to the gender approach for its integration in the management of local affairs
- ✔ Information session on the mechanisms of the PARFAIT project subgranting scheme to local CSOs

- ✔ Preparatory field visits for the establishment of the LDA Northern Morocco and inter-partner meetings
- ✔ Participation in the European Forum on Decentralized Cooperation in Brussels, Belgium
- ✔ Project for the Elaboration of a Strategy (2030) for the Integrated and Sustainable Management of Household and Similar Waste
- ✔ Project "Ricomincio da Te"
- ✔ In City Project - Inclusive City:

LDA ZAVIDOVICI



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The Local Democracy Agency in Zavidovici was established in April 1997, following many years of cooperation between Italian NGOs and local authorities with the host city of Zavidovici. It is located in the Zenica-Doboj Kanton, BiH Federation, Bosnia Herzegovina. Zavidovici and the surrounding area were severely affected by the war.

Projects and activities implemented in 2019:

- ✔ Regional youth COMPACT for Europe
- ✔ CLINK - Cultural Heritage Linking Diversities in Europe
- ✔ Capacity building, support to the local Institutions and contribution to the economic development of the renewable energy, environment sustainability, forest management, promotion of micro and small enterprises in three BiH municipalities
- ✔ Monumental 9
- ✔ Vols Europe - Volunteer Management in Europe's Youth sector
- ✔ Building Equality - Building Future
- ✔ Wim Laboratories luvenis
- ✔ Sigurno mjesto: services and activities for women
- ✔ Strani Vari - Summer centres for children
- ✔ Promotion of cultural heritage of Zavidovici Municipality
- ✔ Ludobus - Animation for children in rural areas
- ✔ Development of family gardens in Zavidovici municipality
- ✔ Memorial Allesandra
- ✔ Vivicità - sport events, athletic race and tournaments,
- ✔ Coalition for combating prejudice and intolerance in the community



Operational Partners

OP OSIJEK



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The Operational Partner Osijek was established as an LDA in 1993, 27 years ago. Its mission is to encourage citizens to build an open, sustainable and inclusive society through networking, sharing of information and lifelong learning. The OP's vision is that through active participation in democratic life of the local communities, citizens contribute to the creation of society based on knowledge and values of equal opportunities, democracy, tolerance, social sensitivity, intercultural values, as well as ecological and consumer's awareness.

Projects and activities implemented in 2019:

- ✔ Into the Wald – France
- ✔ Into the Wald – Croatia
- ✔ Peacebuilding School Award Programme
- ✔ Creative Intercultural Club
- ✔ Dignity World and Beyond
- ✔ CUT project - Culture Twinning: Twinning Tourism Promoting Cultural Heritage
- ✔ White Cane Day 2019 in Osijek
- ✔ Project Štruca kulture (Loaf of Culture)
- ✔ Collective Tree Planting Days in Osijek
- ✔ MOTUS – platform of civil society organisations in Osijek-Baranja County

OP SISAK



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The Operational Partner Sisak was established as an LDA in 1996. Its main priorities are fostering local democratic processes, active citizenship, voluntarism, promoting human rights and international cooperation, contributing to strengthening social capital of individuals, government and wider community.

Projects and activities implemented in 2019:

- ✔ Follow my Steps! – Youth for a Sustainable Community
- ✔ Future: for us and for you!
- ✔ CLINK – Cultural heritage linking diversities in Europe
- ✔ Volunteer Centre Sisak
- ✔ Sisak Volunteer' Network
- ✔ Life Experience – My Youth for an Active Ageing
- ✔ Volunteer' School
- ✔ On volunteering waves – an infrastructure for strong and connected communities
- ✔ Youth Work in Progress
- ✔ What's the issue 2?
- ✔ WalkON: Walking the path of reconciliation- empowering communities for a peaceful society
- ✔ SWIS-YO: Straight way to integrity and self-development of youth with fewer possibilities

OP VERTENEGLIO/BRTONIGLA



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The Operational Partner Verteneglio/Brtonigla was established in 1996. Its main priorities are supporting the development of local democracy, fostering cross-border cooperation, strengthening cooperation with youth organizations and CSOs, and empowering youth and less advantaged groups.

Projects and activities implemented in 2019:

- ✓ ESC volunteering projects
- ✓ "T.E.N." project
- ✓ "E.P.I.S.T.O.L.E." project
- ✓ EVS Viseu Jovem - CREATING OPORTUNITIES FOR YOUTH
- ✓ „FROM M.E. TO E.U - FROM Migrants' Engagement TO Europe Upgrade" project
- ✓ Let's Get it Started

MORE THAN ALDA, ALDA+



Who we are

ALDA+ is the benefit corporation owned by ALDA, inaugurated in 2017 and dedicated to the provision of trainings, ad hoc consultancies and specialized services in different fields where ALDA has been working on for more than 20 years.

Indeed, ALDA+ represents the capitalization of the experience of ALDA in the field of local democracy, participatory processes and project-cycle management.

ALDA+'s main target groups are represented by public authorities, civil society organizations, educational institutions, small and medium enterprises and individuals who need support, among others, in scouting funding opportunities offered by the European Union, and other donors, and are looking for a dedicated care in developing and managing projects. All services are provided following a tailor-made approach.

All ALDA+ revenues are going to ALDA, to support its mission and objectives.

Our services

ALDA+ provides a wide range of services, such as capacity building, technical assistance, online help-desk service, tailored-made consultancies... and much more, according to three major pillars:

Training and capacity building

- EU funding opportunities & programmes 2021-2027
- EU project development and management
- Financial management & audit of EU-funded projects
- Fundraising, communication strategies, internationalisation
- Participatory governance, transparency & accountability

Technical Assistance

- Exploring and scouting funding opportunities
- Development, management & reporting of projects
- Participatory processes
- Evaluation of projects
- Communication and public relations

Access to network/experts

- Provision of experts
- Networking and partnership building
- Events organization
- Bridging partners/members with EU Institutions

A 2019 on the move

“The best way to promote change is to empower citizens and give them the tools to be the protagonist of the innovation they want to see”, thus we did our part and delivered trainings on:

- EU-funding programmes, directly promoted directly by ALDA
- Training course on Project Cycle Management, directly promoted by ALDA,
- Financial management and reporting of EU-funded projects, directly promoted by ALDA
- Citizenship, Constitution and the rule of law, for Elbarlament GmbH (Lebanon)
- EU-funding programmes and Project Cycle Management, focused on the cultural sector, for Fucina Culturale Macchiavelli cultural association
- Civic education and European citizenship, in Primary and Secondary schools
- Digital education, in secondary schools
- Project and financial management for Lavarone Municipality
- EU-funding programmes, to the members of ALDA
- European values and principles, to volunteers enrolled in the national civil service program



+300
hours of training



+400
participants

+15



C O U N T R I E S

““Progress happens where your attention goes”, but sometimes you need a little help and here in 2019 ALDA+ came with the technical assistances you needed, on:

- Financial management and reporting for “PON SIA” programme run by Thiene Municipality (IT) and supported by the Italian structural funds
- Coordination of SEI “Inter-municipal European Service”, led by Thiene Municipality (IT) and involving 5 local authorities: support to project development, training activities, information on EU finding and opportunities, etc.
- Support to the management and provision of training and coaching for the “VOICE III” programme of the European Solidarity Corps, run by Primavera 85 Social Cooperative (Sovizzo, IT)
- Project development in the framework of EU programmes focused on sport, education, culture, media, environment, local governance, migration, volunteering to:
Local public authorities: Municipalities of Bressanvido, Lavarone, Schio, Arcugnano, Montegaldella
Civil society organizations: A.s.d. Blukippe, Casa a colori, Societa Musicale Orchestra e Coro San Marco, Fondazione Università adulti/anziani, Associazione Giochi Antichi, Fondazione Belvedere, Associazione Italia Europa
- Project development and implementation of EU-funded initiatives in the construction sector, to Scuola Costruzioni Vicenza “Andrea Palladio” (IT)
- Project development and implementation of EU-funded initiatives in the forestry and agricultural sector, to Veneto Agricoltura, in-house public company of Veneto Region (IT)
- Training, consultancy, coaching and support to project development of EU-funded initiatives in the social sector, to Progetto Zattera Blu (IT)
- Development of methodologies for EU tenders, to SOFRECO (FR), GOPA (DE), Fondazione Brodolini (IT)
- Development of the Integrated territorial development diagnostic for Libya, FWC SIEA 2018, Lot 3: Human Rights, Democracy and Rule of Law - EuropeAid/138778/DH/SER/Multi, with AETS
- Participatory methods in the educational field in Tunisia, for CAYAMBÉ (project supported by UNICEF)
- Technical assistance for the project REFRESH, supported by the Interreg Central Europe programme and focused on the revitalization of cultural sites
- Various consultancies and supports to several members and partners Europe-wide

Projects

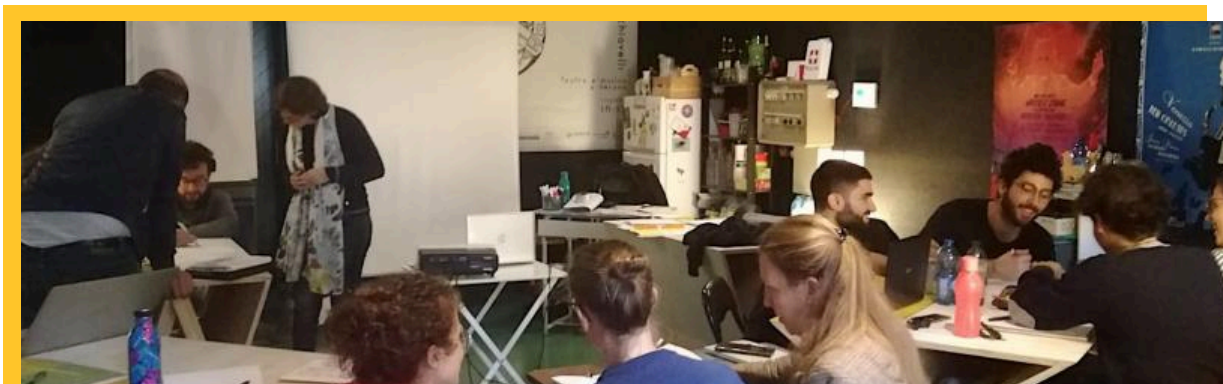
Being in constant evolution, 2019 marked ALDA+'s entrance to the world of EU-funded projects, contributing as partner to the project SMART, funded by the Interreg CBC programme Italy-Austria and led by the Municipality of Valdagno (IT). The project is focused on “small museums” and on how to make them, and their hosting communities more inclusive and integrated.

Inspiring challenges, proven results, nice memories: ALDA+'s success stories

Our trainings: a perfect balance between theory and practice

The outstanding experience in the development and implementation of EU - funded projects, made us also expert trainers able to transfer our knowledge and know-how in the most effective ways. Our trainings offer a winning combination of theory and practice, including examples taken from our own experience, such as success stories, real projects analysis, and more.

Among all the trainings ALDA+ delivers, the one on Project Cycle Management is certainly the most appreciated, because in the space of a couple of months, this practical course gives the needed knowledge and tools to efficiently manage a project, from the development to the reporting.



That's why in October 2019, the start-up association "Fucina Culturale Macchiavelli", a member of ALDA, managing a theatre in the heart of the beautiful Italian city of Verona, asked ALDA+ to hold the training on Project Cycle Management in their very headquarter.

During the 40-hour course, distributed into 7 weekly lessons, the participants were divided into three sub-groups, in accordance with their topics of interest and their background, focused respectively on culture, flood prevention and water management, and migrant inclusion in a specific neighbourhood of Verona. Theoretical moments were followed by group exercises aimed at building, step by step, a project proposal.

The genesis of a project is a path which starts from a rough idea, then proceeds with the analysis of potential and existing problems, then moves forward to the identification of the main objective, to get to the creation of a strategy and ending up with the plan of the resources. At this point, the second phase can start, and this is all about the project implementation, which must be followed by the communication and dissemination of results, thus completing the cycle.

An enriching journey ending with a final quiz to wrap up the lessons learnt and then closed with an informal aperitif.. "Italian-style"!

The inter-municipal cooperation model: the way forward!

ALDA+ has been increasingly working to promote the aggregation of local authorities in specific areas to coordinate their action in the framework of European programmes. Over the years, in fact, the need to create common and inter-connected services has emerged, also from a European perspective, in order to generate a more favorable environment to intercept public and private resources.

Nowadays, it is essential to shape new organizational models and operational tools, able to contribute to the achievement of the European objectives. Thus, the promotion of a shared approach among local public administrations it is of the utmost importance, because such a method leads to the creation of a pool of skills and competences, whilst guaranteeing a higher success rate.

SEI - European Inter-municipal Service (Servizio Europeo Intermunicipale) represents one of the most effective inter-municipal program ALDA+ has contributed to set-up. The SEI initiative is led by the municipality of Thiene, a town counting around 25.000 inhabitants in the North-Eastern part of Italy, which "opened" its European service to other five municipalities of the same territory, whose objectives are, among others, to train civil servants and elected officials on EU-related issues, the development of EU (and non-EU) projects, local initiatives focused on EU matters.

This experience of aggregation and sharing is a clear evidence confirming that... "united in diversity" works!

The project SMART: “opening museums” for revitalizing communities

The project SMART promotes the culture of accessibility among tourism and cultural operators, together with the active participation of citizens in the valorization of natural and cultural heritage as a common good. There are three starting pilot sites, two of them in Italy (Valdagno and Resia) and one in Austria (Saalfelden), all characterized by the presence of small museums, significant landscape and cultural richness. In these pilot sites, participatory tours will be activated with the local communities for the collection and elaboration of content and values, with particular attention to the peculiar elements making a given place one of its kind.

The results thus obtained will be elaborated and enhanced with innovative devices (technological and narrative), that will enrich the existing museum sites, such as App for interactive visits, augmented reality, multimedia installations, and thematic itineraries. In this way, the natural context will be improved thanks to multimedia storytelling itineraries of places, for an experiential, immersive and emotional fruition.

Accessibility will be the central focus, with the development of multimodal devices that will generate a unique user-experience, designed to meet the needs of any kind of audience, also for people with sensory and cognitive difficulties. Finally, the pilot sites will all be connected in a virtual museum circuit, also allowing remote visits.

ALDA+ main role within SMART is to train, coach and accompany all the stakeholders involved - for the whole duration of the project - in the participatory process which stands at the basis of this project.

BEHIND THE SCENES



Communication activities

Due to the growing relevance of communication and dissemination actions, during this year the staff of ALDA's Communication department has doubled efforts to increase the overall visibility of our activities and ongoing projects.

2019 saw the reinforcement of ALDA's presence in all social networks, especially Instagram and LinkedIn, by adopting specific strategies to increase the number of followers and stimulate interaction with them.

The guiding thread of the communication-related initiatives was to boost the involvement with our network with a special focus on our members. Therefore, a specific hashtag has been created, #ALDAmember, in relation with a ad hoc communication campaign, in order to raise the visibility of each member, by highlighting their specific expertise, achievements and most recent activities. Moreover, in the run-up of ALDA's 20th Anniversary, this emphasis is thought as a means to thank all our members for their steady support, cooperation, and for acting side by side with ALDA for the sake of a shared mission.

Within this framework, from December 2019 a new initiative has started: the ALDA Talks, a free high-level thematic webinar series to maximize the exchange of best practices and know-how, each month giving the floor to a different member.

2019 was also marked by a number of initiatives aimed at complementing our long-term programmatic work with targeted advocacy on specific issues, these concerning the visibility of ALDA's action to support the sustainable development goals (SDGs), and campaigns to "swipe the stereotypes" about the European Union, in light of the EU Parliament Elections of May 2019, to tackle cyberbullying and to promote integration and social inclusion.

Fundraising

Among the several innovations 2019 has brought with it, there surely is the creation of a new department dedicated to external relations and fundraising activities.

With the main purpose of attracting non-EU funds by developing new strategies and narratives to approach private foundations and companies, this new department also aims at establishing new partnerships and cultivating sustainable and fruitful relations with new prospects.

The team in charge of the fundraising activities, works on developing targeted strategies to co-finance ALDA's ongoing projects as well as on supporting the work of the Local Democracy Agencies, and creating new project opportunities to support ALDA's long-term mission and sustainability.

Despite the Fundraising and External Relations Department has been created for less than a year, the results of the first months of activity are already visible and concrete, such as the establishment of new partnerships with American and European Foundations supporting our projects in the Eastern Partnership and the MENA region.

Administration & Budget

In 2019 ALDA executed an annual budget of approximately 5,6 million Euro, with an increase of 17% since 2018, according to the balance sheet.

In this period, ALDA has signed contracts for approximately 4.2 million Euro and managed around 65 projects all over Europe and beyond. We were privileged to count on the support of the European Commission, public authorities and private organizations.

The level of co-financing from partners amounts to approximately 250.000 Euro.

With 15 Local Democracy Agencies, the network reached about 5,5 million recipients, with more than 250 entities (cities and NGOs) supporting the LDAs and the over 350 members of ALDA.

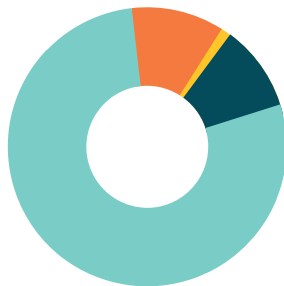
In 2019 we continued to progress in the consolidation of our financial resilience and solvency, aiming to a balance in our financial situation and a final positive net result for the year (+3.000 Euro).

Thus, we ensured a positive cash flow through the entire year 2019.

Moving forward, our financial priorities will focus on increasing our global level of activity responding to the challenges in Europe and in the world, addressing them with the powerful instrument of local democracy and participation of civil society at the local level. The aim is to diversify our funding base by reaching out to new donors and partners in the frame of the Sustainable Development Goals and the Agenda 2030.

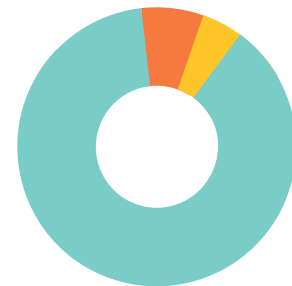
Annual budget 2019

- Projects 90,91%
- ALDA members & LDAs partner fees 5,62%
- Services 0,30%
- Other 3,17%



Sources of funding

- EU funds 90,91%
- Private funds 3,07%
- Public bodies 6,02%



ALDA's 6th P IS PRIORITY: OUR MEMBERS

ALDA is a unique membership-based organisation at the European level. We believe that cooperation between local and regional authorities and civil society organisations is key to creating sound local democracy and promoting citizen participation in the community life. That's why our members are both local and regional authorities and civil society organisations, from all the whole enlarged Europe.

ALDA enhances joint work and synergies between local governments and organised civil society, in order to promote and improve the exchange of best practices in the field of local governance and citizens' active participation.

The network of ALDA grows year by year, thus reflecting the added value of the membership, as well as the fruitful cooperation and the enrichment derived from the exchange among our members coming from very different contexts.

Today ALDA counts around 350 members from 45 countries, with 34 new members joining us in 2019!

Many reasons to join us, one shared mission

Being a member of ALDA means first of all being guided by a shared mission. But it also means enjoying the following services:

Projects development and funding opportunities research

20 years experience in developing and implementing projects

- Priority on opportunities to be partners of projects, or to join consortia for tenders in various fields
- Support of ALDA multilingual staff in the project proposal development phase (EN, FR, IT, SR, MK, RU, ES)
- Identification of relevant international partners for specific geographic and thematic needs
- Support to the partnership building process and dissemination of members' calls for partners
- Identification of potential donors
- European values and principles, to volunteers enrolled in the national civil service program

Being part of a consolidated European network

Strategic partner of the Council of Europe and of the European Commission

Support in the relations with:

- EU, Council of Europe, UN Agencies, and other public and private International institutions
- Local and regional authorities, as well as national governments in the enlarged Europe, European officials, MEPs, and other relevant international authorities
- Visibility through a European network counting 300 members (local and regional authorities, CSOs, associations of local authorities)
- Support in the organization of study and networking visits in Brussels, and all over Europe
- Online presence for our members on ALDA's website, and presentation to the network of contacts via the newsletter
- Access to EU experts, professional networks, academic organizations

Information and structures

Wide dissemination of our and our members' activities

- Promotion of members' activities, initiatives and events at the European level through ALDA's communication channels (monthly newsletter sent in six languages to over 12.600 contacts, website with over 360.000 visitors/year, social networks, webinars and ALDA Talks, publications and information materials)
- Access to information points on EU and active citizenship (info-points based in Brussels and Vicenza)
- Free use of ALDA equipped offices and meeting rooms in Brussels (Belgium), Vicenza (Italy), and upon approval of the Council of Europe, in Strasbourg (France)

Capacity building

Further your skills and horizons through a variety of opportunities

- Information on funding programmes and opportunities
- Participation in international events (conferences, seminars, etc.) promoted by ALDA
- Priority in partnership for specialized trainings (e.g. Master classes on EU programmes, trainings, etc.)
- Participation in ALDA working groups (on Citizens Participation and Local Governance, Western Balkans, Eastern Partnership, Mediterranean Area)
- Priority in offers of internship and job-shadowing, and in the programme "Volunteers for Democracy"
- Special rates for the services provided by ALDA+

ALDA members

MUNICIPALITIES

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Volunteers 4 Democracy

Would you like to support local democracy, citizens' participation, and human rights? You can help us with your skills and time through an ad-hoc volunteering agreement!

Volunteering with ALDA means contributing to local democracy in Europe and its Neighbourhood, as well as developing new skills, practicing languages, and being part of a fast-paced, international association. Particularly motivated volunteers will have the opportunity to attend international events for the association.

To join the programme, send an email to alda@aldaintranet.org, attaching your CV, motivation letter, and description of how you would like to contribute to ALDA's activities.

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Have your say and express your opinion on issues you find interesting or worth to be publicly discussed.

Our goal is to encourage and support active citizen participation in the enlarged Europe, thus empowering all Europeans to contribute to the improvement of their communities, and of the whole Europe. Contributions of citizen journalists will be disseminated via ALDA's communication channels.

Don't be shy, Europe needs your voice!

For information or articles submission, please contact alda@aldaintranet.org

Traineeship Opportunities

ALDA has several agreements with Universities and institutions to host trainees in all its offices. Our idea of traineeship is offering young people the opportunity to grow professionally in the field they would like to build a career in. We all remember how tough it was to access the working environment, and we have a vivid memory of our first experiences and mentors. That's why we offer traineeships within our organisation, and make sure they represent a cornerstone in trainees' development. We are not looking for people to make coffee – we do manage this crucial task pretty well. We need people with fresh ideas and creativity, enthusiasm, and willingness to be part of the team of ALDA. Tutors and staff make sure that the traineeship develops personal and professional skills of the youngsters, and a variety of support initiatives are in place to support our former interns.

If you are interested in establishing an agreement with a University, School, or other institution, please contact internships-alda@aldaintranet.org

Let's Swipe the Stereotype

No matter if the European Parliament Elections are over, active citizenship doesn't have deadlines! Help us tackling stereotypes and commonplaces on the European Union by joining our campaign #YOU4EU. Share our sets of infographics aimed at shading light on the EU budget administration, the unemployment rate, its policies to protect citizens and its internal structure. Awareness on what the European institutions make for each citizen is the basis to be able to act for its improvement. At ALDA we are convinced that Europe needs to stay united and believe in the European project more than ever!

Gianfranco Martini Scholarship

ALDA awards an annual scholarship in memory of our Honorary President, Gianfranco Martini. Martini was among the initiators of the concept of Local Democracy Agencies and became the first President of ALDA in 1999. Throughout his active life he remained passionate about the promotion of local democracy, the engagement of civil society and the encouragement of interethnic dialogue in Europe, with a particular focus on the Western Balkans.

This scholarship supports every year a student or researcher proposing a project focusing on local democracy, engagement of civil society and/or interethnic dialogue. The winner then presents her/his work during our following General Assembly.

Information about the application is disseminated through ALDA's website and channels.

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