**Breaking Barriers: Erasmus KA152 Project** 

**Project Name:** Breaking Barriers

### **Project Partners:**

• Etki Youth Association

- Gülpembe Education Association
- 1 European Partner which also focuses on youth with disabilities
- 1 European Partner on which focuses youth participation

**Project Type:** Erasmus+ KA152 - Youth Participation

**Project Objective:** This project aims to bring together young individuals with disabilities and those without disabilities to increase social awareness and develop solutions to the challenges faced by disabled individuals. The primary goals include better understanding the difficulties experienced by disabled individuals in society, raising awareness among young people, and strengthening social integration between the two groups. The solutions and activities developed within the project will support disabled individuals in participating more actively in society and will promote the spread of inclusive projects.

**Project Activities:** During the project, two separate development camps will be organized:

# 1. Introduction and Problem Identification Camp:

- Disabled individuals and non-disabled young people will come together and connect.
- o The challenges faced by disabled individuals in daily life will be shared.
- o Awareness-raising workshops will be held.
- o Group activities aimed at fostering empathy will take place.

#### 2. Solution Development and Project Creation Camp:

- o Creative solutions will be developed for the issues identified in the first camp.
- Project ideas that promote the social participation of disabled individuals will be generated.
- o Materials for social awareness campaigns will be prepared.
- o Collaborations with public institutions and civil society organizations will be established to ensure the feasibility of the projects.

#### **Topics to be Addressed:**

- Accessibility and Inclusive Living: Identifying physical and social barriers faced by disabled individuals in daily life and proposing solutions.
- Equal Opportunities in Education: Addressing the challenges faced by disabled individuals in education and developing supportive projects in this field.
- **Employment and Social Entrepreneurship:** Enhancing job opportunities and increasing the participation of disabled individuals in the workforce.

- **Digital Transformation and Disabled Individuals:** Developing technological and digital solutions tailored for disabled individuals.
- Social Awareness and Advocacy: Raising public awareness and conducting advocacy activities for the rights of disabled individuals.

## **Expected Outcomes:**

- Increased awareness of the challenges faced by disabled individuals.
- Development of accessible solutions and projects for disabled individuals.
- Creation of sustainable projects that support the active and empowered participation of disabled individuals in society.
- Establishment of long-term social solidarity networks among participants.
- Development of collaborations with local governments and civil society organizations to implement projects supporting disabled individuals.

**Conclusion:** The Breaking Barriers project is an initiative that promotes the active participation of disabled individuals in society and fosters empathy and awareness among young people. Through this project, not only will existing problems be addressed, but sustainable models will also be created for a more inclusive society.