



## PARTNER IDENTIFICATION FORM

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Type of Organisation	Civic association / NGO
Is the partner organisation a public body?	No
Is the partner organisation a non-profit?	Yes

## APPROVED PROJECTS/GRANTS FROM THE EU

Participant	Project Reference No and	Period (start and end date)	Role	Amount	Web site
IEC	613485-EPP-1-2019-1-AT-SPO-SSCP, Hike together, Erasmus+ Sport	1.1.2020-31.12.2021	COO	59840	<a href="https://www.hiketogetherproject.com">https://www.hiketogetherproject.com</a>
IEC	613590-EPP-1-2019-1-SK-SPO-SCP, Eco-Friendly Sports, ,	1.1.2020-31.12.2021	BEN	305300	<a href="http://www.ecofriendlysport.eu">http://www.ecofriendlysport.eu</a>



	Erasmus+ Sport				
IEC	622768-EPP-1-2020-1-IT-SPO-SSCP, Football as a seed for gender equality, Erasmus+ Sport	1.1.2021-30.6.2022	BEN	52420	N/A
IEC	622511-EPP-1-2020-1-TR-SPO-SSCP, CYCLE! 2 Wheels Enough For Our Planet, Erasmus+ Sport	1.1.2021-30.6.2022	BEN	60000	N/A
IEC	622457-EPP-1-2020-1-ES-SPO-SSCP, Outdoor Sports in Nature for Skills Development, Erasmus+ Sport	1.1.2021-30.6.2022	BEN	60000	<a href="http://osin4sd.scoutsociety.ro/">http://osin4sd.scoutsociety.ro/</a>
IEC	615363-CITIZ-1-2019-1-PT-CITIZ-CIV, Citizens Occupy Rural Europe, Europe for citizens	1.1.2020-31.12.2021 prolonged	BEN	150000	N/A
IEC	624643-EPP-1-2020-1-PL-PPKA3-EU-YTH-TOG, SMART-Y: Youth together for green and sustainable European smart Villages	1.1.2021-1.6.2023-	BEN	450000	<a href="https://smart-y.eu/home/">https://smart-y.eu/home/</a>
IEC	2021-1-SI02-KA220-YOU-	1.1.2021-1.6.2023-	BEN	350000	



	000030182, Connect to Nature				
IEC	2021-1-MT01- KA220- SCH- 000032700, Learning Doing: Experiential Learning in Formal School Education	1.1.2021- 1.6.2023-	BEN	350000	
IEC	SIGWAY ERASMUS- SPORT-2021- SCP- 101050692	01.05.2022- 31.10-2023	BEN	400000	
IEC	Green Seas for Youth  2021-1-PL01- KA220-YOU- 000029219	09.2021- 09.2023	BEN	360000	
IEC	Do Care ERASMUS- SPORT-2021- SCP- <b>101049882</b>	06.2022- 06.2023	BEN		
IEC	Sport to Outdoor  ERASMUS- SPORT-2021- SCP- <u>101049156</u>	06.2022- 06.2023	BEN		
IEC	Digital Outdoor Sports  ERASMUS- SPORT-2021- SCP- <u>101089446</u>	06.2022- 06.2023	BEN	125000	
IEC	SOS PARKS ERASMUS- SPORT-2021- SCP- <u>101090526</u>	06.2022- 06.2023	BEN	60000	



	Up-PET Agreement No:953214	02.2021- 02.2024	Advisory Board	10000	
IEC	AZB: Fairplay	02.02.2022- 01.01.2024	BEN	350000	

## ABOUT IEC AUSTRIA

Description of the organisation	<p>The Innovative Education Center (IEC Austria) was established in Vienna in 2018 by a group of experienced youth workers and international consultants. The aim of IEC Austria team is to develop projects, training courses and non-formal learning activities to support and improve the use of sport, music and art, as a tool for healthy life, active citizenship, empowerment, social inclusion, mutual understanding, entrepreneurial development, and leadership .</p> <p>Throughout the years, IEC Austria has built a strong network with associations in different sectors, schools, and social enterprises which created various placement and volunteering opportunities for young people living in Austria. IEC Austria puts special interest in the empowerment of disadvantaged groups in society such as migrants, women and young people with geographical, social and economic disadvantages. In order to attain this goal, IEC's members have been collaborating with NGOs, IFIs and governments and have worked on various projects funded by European Commission and UN in recent years.</p> <p>Every year about 100 learners are involved in over 15 local learning activities - training courses, seminars, workshops and sport events. Local learning activities are organized for many different target groups, including adult learners, youth (16-29), NEETs, teachers, university professors, social activists and other professionals.</p> <p>In a very short time of period, the association grew from a small-scale NGO to an organization with permanent staff, a network of volunteers. IEC Austria has two main fields: <b>education and sports</b>.</p> <p><b>Education programs</b> are developed by a highly qualified team who has expertise in regenerative and sustainable living, creative ecology, archeology and museology, research, art and system science, communication, videography and animation, behavior science, architecture, gastronomy, pre-childhood development, adaptive leadership, entrepreneurship, circular economy, biodiversity, climate change, nature conservation and protection, gamification, engineering and industry 5.0 and 6.0, coastal and ocean engineering, and etc.</p> <p><b>Sport programs</b> are focused on education in and through sports priority of European Commission. IEC has been running many sport projects where hiking and mountaineering, snow shoe, cycling, mountain biking and women's football are used as a tool for education and social inclusion.</p>
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	<p>IEC has a wide network composed of universities, civil society organizations, sport associations and clubs and regional and local government and has more than 60 volunteers.</p> <p>IEC Austria is member of networks: Break Free From Plastic movement - global movement envisioning a future free from plastic pollution. Our common goal is to bring systemic change through a holistic approach tackling plastic pollution across the whole plastics value chain, focusing on prevention rather than cure, and providing effective solutions.</p> <p>The European Greenways Association (EGWA)- brings together more than nearly 50 different organizations from 16 European countries involved in the development of greenways.</p> <p>Alpenverein Wien- For more than 150 years, the Austrian Alpine Association has stood for community, nature conservation, the maintenance of paths and huts and, last but not least, for youth work</p> <p>Dissemination and exploitation: IEC Austria can reach 3.000 visitors every month about the project on FB fan page, Instagram, account, YouTube channel and LinkedIn profile and organisation mailing list: <a href="http://www.zentrumib.org">www.zentrumib.org</a>, spread information about the Project outcomes during our local learning activities, international meetings, workshops, training courses, conferences and seminars. IEC Austria is managing the community group “Active Vienna”, a platform created for citizens and foreigners living in Vienna and the surrounding area (1500 members). IEC Austria extensively uses data analytics, social media and search engine optimization.</p>
What are the activities and experience of the organisation in the areas relevant for this application?	<p>In order to achieve aims, IEC Austria organizes a wide scope of different activities, taking place from local to international scales. These activities include workshops, seminars, team-building activities and training courses. IEC Austria has long experience in organising mobility events for young people in the framework of European projects.</p> <p><u>Empowering young citizens</u></p> <p>Partner of Europe for citizens - Citizens Occupy Rural Europe</p> <p>IEC Austria is implementing a project aiming to empower the citizens, with a focus on the ones in rural areas (Europe for Citizens project CORE - Citizens Occupy Rural Europe). CORE aim is to make citizens feel closer and as they belong to Europe by giving them tools and promoting active participation. By creating an empowerment opportunity for youngsters and decreasing their isolation feeling, youth from rural areas feel involved in a community where they can participate, be active and have a role for the empowerment of other peers. Through the project activities IEC Austria motivates young citizens and improves their opportunities and develops empowerment of young Europeans.</p> <p><u>Social inclusion through education and sport</u></p> <p>IEC Austria is coordinating sport small collaborative partnership project Hike Together, aiming to raise awareness of the importance of health benefits of physical activity</p>



through walking in nature – as a natural exercise through increased participation in hiking and trekking. Project is focused on young people from disadvantaged backgrounds, promoting hiking and walking in nature using hiking as a tool for social inclusion of young people from disadvantage background and promotion of equal opportunities and bringing together people, regardless of their age, sex, origin, financial status, etc. IEC Austria contributes to increase women's active participation in sports, break down gender stereotypes and bring to the conclusion that there are no male or female sports, but everyone should feel free to follow his own aspirations, feeling free from conditioning. In order to achieve the project's objectives, IEC Austria organizes a sports competition between 12 football teams mixed both from gender and nationality, this event is be a moment of meeting and confrontation between boys and girls from the partner countries.

## Promoting sport and physical activity

IEC Austria is a partner of Erasmus+ sport Collaborative partnership – Eco-friendly Sports aiming to empower youth on becoming knowledgeable and skilled on sustainability and nature conservation topics, on the way to become active citizens promoting these issues in their life by creating valuable interactions with the sport sector. Through Eco-friendly sports project activities, we are developing new methods of environmental education through sport activities in natural areas provide invaluable opportunities in the urban lifestyle to keep people's physical and mental health and to significantly decrease the stress levels. This way IEC Austria improves knowledge and experience of representatives of sport clubs and youth workers about the concept of eco-sports. By inviting citizens to participate in activities such as plogging, herbal hiking, nature clean-ups, IEC Austria also encourages them to take action towards a better environment and building a society which feels close and attached to nature will contribute to using natural resources sustainably and thus building sustainable cities. IEC Austria encourages participation in sport and physical activity in nature, especially by supporting the implementation of European Union (EU) policy documents in the field of sport and other relevant policy areas such as recommendations, guidelines, policy strategies, and the implementation of the Council Recommendation on health-enhancing physical activity (HEPA).

## Sustainability, nature conservation and environmental protection

IEC Austria is implementing Erasmus+ mobility for youth workers called Touch (the nature). Training course aim is to provide tools for youth workers about How to design an outdoor program for youth. Training course includes topics such as introduction to what is experiential pedagogy and how to use it in youth work and importance of motivating youth to spend time in nature and how to motivate the youngsters. IEC Austria promotes the use of bicycles and develops exercise habits for healthy living in the participants and the local community and especially encouraging cycling in school and work commutes. The aim is to develop an attitude towards environmental and climate change as well as the development of healthy living alternatives.

## Work with local community in Austria

We organize "International hike" by Vienna hikers in the natural area around Vienna, where locals from Austria and migrants from all over the world, studying and living in Vienna meet. Hike takes 3-6 hours and ends with a common picnic organized by IEC Austria. The aim of the regular hiking is to promote sport and physical activities in natural area that not only contribute to better health, but also have a positive impact on the environment. Hiking itself is promoting social inclusion by not giving barriers to



	<p>participation in the physical activity. Our hikes are combined with enviro actions such as plogging, herbal hiking, eco-friendly triathlon on the river bank of Danube or in the parks (and before or after clean-up events), planting trees, building birdhouses and many more.</p>
What are the skills and expertise of key staff/persons involved in this application?	<p>IEC Austria shall contribute to the project not only with your knowledge but also with their hands on experience.</p> <p><i>Pelin Öztürk – President of the Board, Project manager and Researcher</i></p> <p>She has started her career as a Project Assistant in 6th and 7th Framework Projects to improve preparedness of coastal populations against marine induced hazards. She has worked as a volunteer in CSOs and UNICEF to strengthen pre-school education, disparity reduction and social inclusion and protection projects. She has more than 12 years of experience in project management and development. Pelin has a Bachelor Degree in International Relations and Master degree in MBA and International Relations and Public Affairs.</p> <p>Alina Bublyk- Reseracher and Youth worker</p> <p>Alina is holding M.A at English Philology within the corpus of General Linguistics; and B.A at Computer Science and International Relations, social communication and regional studies and Candidate of Pedagogy Diploma at Luhansk Taras Shevchenko National University, Luhansk, Ukraine. She is currently studying Master of Education at University of Vienna.</p> <p>Fehmi Agduk – Head of Communication Department</p> <p>Fehmi a MSc in Philosophy and holds BA in Communications (Radio, TV and Cinema), BA in Classical Archeology and BA History of Art from Université de Strasbourg. Fehmi is a writer, blogger, and photographer. He has more than 20 years of extensive experience in the field of communication and civil society with specific concentration on “advocacy”, “lobbying”, “fundraising”, “media and decision maker relations”, “communication strategy”, “policy formulation”, “civil participation” and “community cohesion”. He has proven experience (13 years) in designing advocacy strategies for civil society organizations to influence decision makers and mobilize constituencies. He has practical experience (13 years) in training CSOs to prepare, update and implement “communication strategy” and “fundraising strategy”. He has practical experience (13 years) in developing “policy papers” for and with civic groups to advocate for open, accountable and transparent government. He has an extensive experience (13 years) as trainer and facilitator on “civil participation”; experience (13 years) with local governments and CSOs in “community cohesion; expertise in the relationship management with media and decision makers; extensive experience (18 years) in budgeting and budget management; experience (18 years) in the field of logistics and event organization.</p> <p>Yvonne Lesewa-</p> <p>Yvonne discovered her love for the mountains early on mountain tours with her grandfather. Her adopted home of Innsbruck is the perfect place for her to combine her sporting activities and her job. She is a part time Scientific researcher on "Alpine sustainability in huts" - integrative, sustainable hut operation in the Alps project at Leopold-Franzens Universität Innsbruck. She is a certified mountain guide and after</p>



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	<p>completing her sustainability studies, Yvonne has been working as a freelance photographer for several years and wants to use her pictures to help sharpen our view of the beauty and uniqueness of our planet of mountains.</p> <p>Sabrina Gruber- Gymnathlon trainer Sabrina is teaching sport courses for 3 to 6 years-old as the main trainer. Gymnathlon is an innovative sport programm for kids with the aim that the children develop a lifelong pleasure in doing sports. She is also the camp leader and camp counsellor where she organizes activities such as biking, musical, skateboarding, movie studio, circus, outdoor games and competitions.</p> <p>Dogan Saglik – grassroot sport leader of IEC. He is a professional basketball player and hold a Bachelor's degree in Industrial Engineering and Mechanical Engineering at the Technical University of Vienna.</p> <p><i>Mario Wallner</i> - holds master degree Mountain Guide Education and is certified mountain guide and climbing instructor. Due to the combination of Geography and Mountain Guide Education Mario is specialized interdisciplinary research focused on d impact of climate change in mountains in Alpine regions and impact to eco-system and potential future climate change impacts to outdoor sport. Mario also certified paramedic and has experience working with in Red Cross in Zell am See and Samariterbund in Graz.</p> <p>Ece Onderoglu -Digital media expert, Researcher ad Youth worker Ece is directing the social media packs for events, initiatives, campaigns &amp; actively engaging with audiences; supporting with the website maintenance, newsletter creation, analytics and reporting. As a volunteer, she is responsible for establishing European Standards for Assistance Dogs where she is one of the trainer. She is studying (MA) Muslim Minorities in a Global Context SOAS - University of London. She has completed (FdA) Live Music and Theatre Production at Newcastle College and studied BA (Hons) Public Relations at University of the Arts London.</p> <p>Benjamin Gruber- grassroot sports team member Benjamin is studying MSc Computational Science and Engineering at TU Wien and holding a BSc Mechanical Engineering – Management. He is a mountain guide and painter</p>
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