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**Cities and Urban Spaces: Chances for Cultural and Citizenship Education**

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## Project Fact Sheet

### Workshop IV Good Governance and Politics in the City: Cultural and Citizenship Education accompanying New Models of Participation

|   | Section  | Indications of content  |
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| 1 | <b>Title of the project</b>  | EGTC (European Grouping for Territorial Cooperation)  |
| 2 | <b>Location</b>  | Network project associating 6 European cross-border conurbations (The Lille-Kortrijk-Tournai Eurometropole F/B, the Strasbourg-Ortenau Eurodistrict F/D, the Trinational Eurodistrict of Basel F/D/CH, the Frankfurt-Slubice conurbation D/PL, the Ister-Granum region H/SK and the eurocidade of Chaves-Verin P/E) and the French-based association named "Mission Opérationnelle Transfrontalière" in Paris   |
| 3 | <b>Main topics</b>   | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Urban leadership beyond the state;</li> <li>• Transfrontier mobilisation of citizens;</li> <li>• EU mediated public sphere at the urban scale;</li> <li>• Cross-border participative democracy.</li> </ul>   |
| 4 | <b>Practice-related keywords</b>   | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Cross-border institution-building;</li> <li>• Organisation of public events and services;</li> <li>• Transfrontier media agenda;</li> <li>• Participative democratic arenas.</li> </ul>  |
| 5 | <b>Brief description of the project</b>  | The EGTC project aimed to structure the strategy of the 6 cross-border conurbations on legitimate governance. The management of transfrontier urban areas requires the definition of a new operative system balancing input and output legitimacies. Therefore relevant stakeholders on both sides of the border are necessary. Consequently, the 6 cross-border areas exchanged ideas and produced individually a Local Action Plan on meta-governance securing the production of sound urban management and democratic dialogue beyond the state. |
| 6 | <b>Objectives of the project</b>   | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• To frame 6 Local Action Plan (LAP) on the two pillars of good urban governance;</li> <li>• To develop public exchanges between a large number of EU stakeholders;</li> <li>• To structure a series of recommendations addressed to the national and European levels;</li> <li>• To disseminate the local validated policies (LAP) to the EU authorities involved in transfrontier urban development.</li> </ul>  |
| 7 | <b>Impact/ Chances for cultural and citizenship education in the context of the development of cities and urban spaces</b> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A series of projects have been exchanged and integrated by specific cross-border conurbations in their future agenda setting;</li> <li>• A large community of citizens has been associated to the debates concerning the reform of the urban governing order.</li> </ul>   |

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| 8  | <b>Target groups</b>   | Urban political leaders located on both sides of the border; community stakeholders; private businesses  |
| 9  | <b>Project methods/ project format</b>                           | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Two parallel working groups: LSG (Local Support Group) and ESG (European Support Group);</li> <li>• The two issues discussed were urban leadership design and community involvement beyond the state;</li> <li>• Local communities were involved into the process.</li> </ul>   |
| 10 | <b>Project planning schedule</b>                                 | 5 stages of project planning: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Stage: October–December 2009</li> <li>2. Stage: January–March 2010</li> <li>3. Stage: April–June 2010</li> <li>4. Stage: August 2010–February 2011</li> <li>5. Stage: March 2011</li> </ol>  |
| 11 | <b>Project initiator</b>   | Mission Opérationnelle Transfrontalière is an associative structure having for objective to facilitate the realization of cross-border projects.   |
| 12 | <b>Resources involved</b>  | The project was sponsored by the European URBACT programme.  |
| 13 | <b>Evaluation of the project/ materials/ presentation format</b> | The Local Action Plans and the European Action Plan were finalised. The communication agenda of the project was respected.   |
| 14 | <b>Range and sustainability of the project</b>                   | The project had a European range; To boost legitimate urban governance beyond the state in a series of 6 cross-border areas; To disseminate the policies to actors involved in other transfrontier conurbations and to European organisations  |
| 15 | <b>Project results</b>   | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 4 European public conferences attracting approximately 100 public and private stakeholders;</li> <li>• 6 Local Action Plans to frame a new strategy on legitimate urban governance at a transfrontier scale;</li> <li>• 1 European Action Plan to facilitate a legitimate urban governance at a transfrontier scale.</li> </ul>   |
| 16 | <b>Project funding</b>   | Total budget : 307 000 €<br>EU funding (URBACT program): 212 000 €<br>National co-financing: 95 000 €  |
| 17 | <b>Space for your own comments</b>                               | The Trieste region is a border area and it is one of the key symbolic European places where debates on urban citizenship and community involvement beyond the state can have its full meaning.   |
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