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### AGENDA

Promotional Event "Active EU" in Slovenia,

Novo mesto, 7-8 October 2020



## **Main topics of the Event “Active EU” in Slovenia, Novo mesto:**

### Active citizenship

- Presentation of Active Citizenship; what it is; who can be described as an Active Citizen; how to become an Active Citizen, what are typical mechanisms of Active Citizenship; Dismiss a myths about Active Citizenship
- Presentation of successful project and actions in Slovenia that where possible because of Active Citizenship and volunteer work
- Discussion on how to increase active citizenship among youngsters
- Best practices to increase active citizenship

### EU values

- Presentation of EU values
- Importance of EU values and their basis for further EU policies

### EU future and challenges

- Next challenges for the EU
- Migration crisis and EU policies

### Benefits of EU policies

- Policy impact on Slovenia and Novo mesto
- Presentation of examples of changes to the city of Novo mesto

### Importance of voting and the participation in the next EU elections

- Why are EU elections important
- Their impact on the EU, member states, municipalities and cities
- Long term impacts of low voter turnout in EU elections
- Promotion of next EU elections 2024



## AGENDA

***ALL TIMES ARE CENTRAL-EUROPEAN TIME (Paris, Brussels, Madrid, Podgorica, Warsaw, Ljubljana, Budapest)***

### **Day 1, Wednesday 7 October 2020 at:**

Društvo za razvijanje prostovoljnega dela Novo mesto, Novi trg 9, 8000 Novo mesto, Slovenia

and

Šolski centr Novo mesto, Ulica talcev 3a, 8000 Novo mesto, Slovenia

**11:00 – 12:00** Presentation of the project and opening of the event (location: Društvo za razvijanje prostovoljnega dela)

- Welcome from the local host: Simon Wltavsky (30 mins)
- Introduction into the agenda and the format of the event: Urša Kres (15 mins)
- A short summary of the project event: Urša Kres (15mins)

**12:45 – 13:00** Presentation of the project (online event on ZOOM for online participants from Šolski centr Novo mesto and other)

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://arnes-si.zoom.us/j/91512047453>

- Presentation of the project: Simon Wltavsky (15 mins)

**13:00 – 14:30** Presentation of Active Citizenship and EU future (online event on ZOOM for online participants from Šolski centr Novo mesto and other)

Join Zoom Meeting

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- Presentation of Active Citizenship; what it is; who can be described as an Active Citizen; how to become an Active Citizen, what are typical mechanisms of Active Citizenship; Dismissal of myths about Active Citizenship: Simon Wltavsky (20 mins)
- Promotion of next EU elections, importance of EU elections: Simon Wltavsky (10 mins)

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- Presentation of Best practice to increase Active Citizenship for Youth in Slovenia: Kaja Jenkole (20 mins)
- EU future and challenges; Next challenges for the EU; Migration crisis and EU policies; inclusion of migrants in local communities in Novo mesto, Slovenia: Kaja Jenkole (40 mins)

#### **14:30 – 15:00** Lunch break

#### **15:00 – 16:00** Active Citizenship and Youth Activism – discussion with participants (location: Društvo za razvijanje prostovoljnega dela) – Moderator Simon Wltavsky

- How to increase Active Citizenship
- Volunteering options
- Effects of Active Citizenship on the city Maribor and Novo mesto in Slovenia

### **Day 2, Thursday 8 October 2020 at:**

Društvo za razvijanje prostovoljnega dela Novo mesto, Novi trg 9, 8000 Novo mesto, Slovenia

#### **10:30 – 11:00** Opening of the event

- Welcome from the local host: Simon Wltavsky (20 mins)
- Presentation of the agenda for the second day - Mitja Bukovec (10 min)

#### **11:00 – 12:45** EU values and EU policy for inclusive society

- Presentation of EU values – Simon Wltavsky (15 min)
- Importance of EU values and their basis for further EU policies – Simon Wltavsky (30 min)
- EU values regarding the migrant crisis and challenges of EU – Mitja Bukovec (30 min)
- Examples and best practices for migrant inclusion in local communities – Branka Bukovec (15 min)

#### **12:45 – 13:00** Coffee break

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**13:00 – 14:00** EU future and the next challenges – discussion with participants –

Moderator Simon Wltavsky

- EU future and challenges
- The Role of Civil Society Organizations in EU
- Strengthening Civil Society Advocacy
- Vulnerable Groups Empowered and the role of NGOs in EU

**14:00 – 15:00** Lunch break

**15:00 – 16:00** EU elections – discussion with participants – Moderator Mitja Bukovec

- Importance of next EU elections
- Challenges of Brexit for the EU
- Future of the euro area
- Increase the interest by Youth for the EU elections