

EVENT DESCRIPTION SHEET

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⚠ *Please provide one sheet per event (one event = one workpackage = one lump sum.)*

PROJECT	
Participant:	Alzira City Council / Ayuntamiento de Alzira
PIC number:	953211338
Project name and acronym:	"Cities 4 YOUth - Next Generation (C4YOU - NEXT GEN),

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Event number:	4
Event name:	Cities 4 YOUth Event in Spain
Type:	International mobility, hosting of a youth event and multicultural youth festival
In situ/online:	in-situ
Location:	Alzira, Spain
Date(s):	29/09/2025 – 3/10/2025
Website(s) (if any):	https://mrm.starachowice.eu/pl/aktualnosci/cities-4-youth-event-in-spain.html
Participants	
Female:	102
Male:	85
Non-binary:	/
From city 1 [Starachowice]:	5
From city 2 [Kielce]:	4
From city 3 [Alzira]:	5 (City Council of Alzira) + 106 (Local Spanish students) + 42 (Local Youth Initiative) + 10 (Representatives of youth organisations)
From city 4 [Faenza]:	5
From city 5 [Valongo]:	5
From city 6 [Pissouri]:	5
Total number of participants:	187
From total number of countries:	6

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<i>Provide a short description of the event and its activities.</i>	
<p>This event took place within the framework of WP4 of the project. We therefore welcomed our partners in Alzira to host them for the Cities 4 YOUth Event.</p> <p>Within this framework, we carried out activities aligned with the guidelines and objectives outlined in the project application, fostering networking and the exchange of information and best practices concerning youth policy.</p> <p>We began the visit with an introduction to our institution and the project, followed by an official welcome from our First Deputy Mayor, Gemma Alòs. This was followed by a presentation by Alzira's Youth Council and a discussion session. During this session, we had the opportunity to exchange views on how the Youth Council operates, the tools and support it provides to the youth of our city, the initiatives it carries out, and the programs it participates in. This sparked inspiration among our partners, who showed particular interest in the Youth Guarantee program that was presented. The session was then followed by a workshop focused on environmental awareness and a World Café discussing how we can leverage our European citizenship to shape our climate future.</p> <p>The next day featured a session dedicated to preparing participants for the Oxford debate, "Small City – Big Opportunities," where the rules and motions of the debate were explained and preparation was guided. Additionally, we had the pleasure of welcoming a network of youth actors. The youth organization Backslash presented itself along with its activities and initiatives, inspiring our partners and facilitating exchanges about NGO work. The program also included interventions from Valencia's City Council and the local Scouts network.</p> <p>We then traveled to Valencia city to learn about youth policy from the capital of our region, the Valencian Community. During this visit, we were pleased to be received at the offices of the Valencian Youth Institute (IVAJ) for a study visit and meeting with its General Director, Vicente Ripoll Gimeno. We had meaningful discussions about the European projects managed by the Institute and what it means to be a young European today.</p> <p>The following day was dedicated to a youth festival organized in partnership with a local high school to foster multicultural exchanges between our international participants and local Spanish students. The event included an Oxford debate on the subject "Small City – Big Opportunities," with dynamic interventions from the audience. The second part of the festival featured multiple workshops on how to detect fake news, a quiz on the European Union, a booth to design the perfect small city according to the participants' vision, and a mural reflecting EU values and what they represent for young people.</p> <p>The local youth initiative we organised aims to provide a space for IDEA students to discuss key European topics — such as climate change, youth policy, fake news, and EU values — which are not usually included in their curriculum. To make this possible, we launched an information and promotion campaign to raise awareness about the initiative and offered participants the necessary space, support, guidance, and materials to carry it out. Mobilising our internal network in IDEA, we have reached out to youngster from our community and the ones enrolled in our training courses, with the idea of fostering a multiplier effect. Consequently, we organised a session in which participants received both practical resources — such as rooms, materials, a projector, and internet access — and personalised guidance from our team to help them structure their talks and carry out their research about the topics provided. It was a valuable moment of exchange and learning during which they began shaping their initiative, which focuses on the social involvement of young people in small cities and on exploring and improving employment opportunities for local youth. Youth workers were present to support them throughout this process. Although their initiatives are still under development, they will continue to receive the necessary material resources and expert support to implement them and to disseminate information about the EU backed by information sessions.</p> <p>Overall, all these events were a success and fulfilled all the activities and objectives detailed in WP4, successfully contributing to the exchange of good practices concerning youth policy, networking with youth organizations, local policymakers, and institutions.</p>	

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Communication – Links to publications:	
Facebook:	
https://www.facebook.com/share/p/14SvqbPNLco/?mibextid=wwXlfr	
Instagram:	
https://www.instagram.com/p/DQEI9iNjOk7/?igsh=Y2FuNmFoazYza3B4	
https://www.instagram.com/p/DQEJTXGjP0n/?igsh=MWw3cHI6Z21hbWwxMQ==	
LinkedIn:	
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Website:	
Cities 4 Youth - Alzira On Europe	