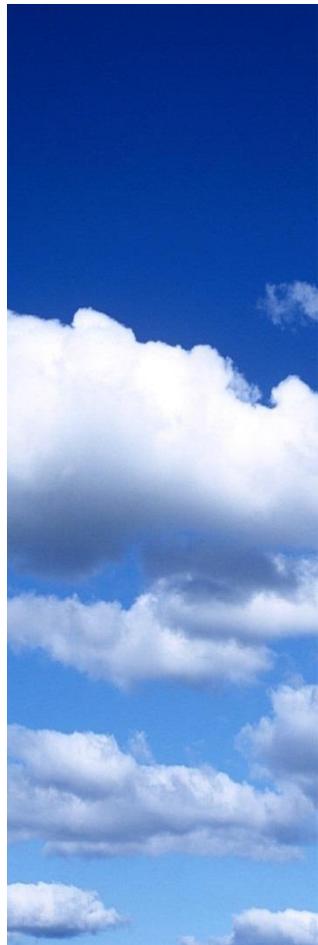




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# The green topic(s) from the padlets

*Understanding the communities' green  
priorities and finding common paths*



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# Key environmental topics from Poland

## WIĄZOWNA:

- Natural resources (parks, rivers) for a sustainable & ecological **tourism**
  - ✓ Proximity to Warsaw
  - ✓ Possibility to engage **youths**



# Key environmental topics from Poland



## STARACHOWICE:

- Quality of life, public transport
- ✓ CUS is very active
- ✓ Need to activate vulnerable groups, also with educational programmes



# Key environmental topics from Poland



## GÓRNO:

- Renewable energy (solar plants); quality of the **environment** (local cleaning actions) linked to **tourism**



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✓ Possibility to engage **youths**



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# Key environmental topics from Poland



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## ELBLĄG:

- Protection of local natural resources from increasing urbanization

✓ Need to activate **vulnerable groups** (esp. elderly) sensitive to high costs of energy, also with **educational programmes**



# Key environmental topics from Italy

## COSENZA, Via Panebianco Neighbourhood:

- Creating **green zones** for the inhabitants, for recreation and aggregation
- Attention to **waste management**
  - ✓ Transformation of irregular waste collection areas > **educational programmes**
  - ✓ Transformative power of **art** through events
  - ✓ Building **neighbourhood identity** to strengthen social cohesion
  - ✓ Possibility to engage **youths**
  - ✓ Lack of trust in (local and national) institutions



# Key environmental topics from Greece

## KARDITSA:

- Natural resources: landscape, lake, rich biodiversity
- Attention to waste management and circular initiatives (for agriculture)
  - ✓ Possibility to cooperate with the FORUM/AGORA for Sustainable Development
  - ✓ Experiential educational programmes for adults and youths
  - ✓ Possibility to engage women (local empowerment initiatives) and workers (local trade unions)
  - ✓ Support from ANKA, the local development agency



# Key environmental topics from Croatia

## PGŽ:

- Focus on **renewable energy sources**
- Feasibility of **Energy Collectives**/communities
- implementation of **smart villages** and inhabited areas (countering the digital divide urban/rural, young/elderly, gender biases)
  - ✓ Possibility to set up a **common platform** for all activists and citizens
  - ✓ Experiential **educational programmes** for adults and youths
  - ✓ Existing networks between schools and NGOs
  - ✓ Lack of trust in (local and national) institutions



# What events are we going to organise to address these topics?

- The **local participatory sessions**:
  - Focus groups, interactive workshops, round tables, etc >> reaching a **consensus on the key local green issues**... *as many meetings as needed!*
  - Local interested subjects > representatives of NGOs, public authorities, schools, training agencies, parishes, youth centres, trade unions...
    - **45 people from Poland, 45 from Italy, 20 from Croatia and 20 from Greece = Total: 130**
    - From **February to mid-May 2023**



# How are we going to address these topics?

- Discussion about the priority areas from the padlets
- Collaborative work on the **CO-GREEN SURVEY**
  - Respondents' experiences in successful **participatory processes/practices** in local communities
  - Respondents' experiences in debates about **green issues**
  - Discussion of **enabling factors** and **constraints** in the implementation of **participatory & green processes** and how to improve them > in the CO-GREEN perspective for taking further action
  - Proposals for a **framework for local action** on one or more green topics



# How are we going to keep track of the local participatory processes?

- Proposed toolset
  - **Evidence about engaged participants** > needed to ensure financial support
  - **Evidence about contents, proposals, inputs** for further consideration



# Next steps

- **Event 3: COMMUNITIES GET READY FOR LOCAL GREEN ACTIONS** > Transnational research webinar > June 2023
  - Discussion of the **frameworks for local action**
  - Definition of commonalities and **possible synergies** across communities
  - Identification of the **local trainers**: representatives of project partners or other local entities > 8 trainers in Poland, 8 in Italy, 5 in Croatia and 5 in Greece = 26 trainers
  - Launch of the «**Call for CO-GREEN trainers**» to be trained about methods & techniques for community action (*awareness raising, participation and communication*) > training to be implemented in October-November 2023 (Events 7 and 8)

# Next steps

- **Event 4: ONGOING PARTICIPATORY MAPPING OF THE GREEN PLAYERS**

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**Local participatory events**

June 2023 until the end of the project

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**N. OF PARTICIPANTS:** In total, 526 stakeholders and experts will participate:

Workshops: At least, 30 participants per territory will be involved. Total: 270 participants.

Stakeholders' mapping: It is expected that in each territory stakeholders will be identified and contacted:

- In Poland: approx. 80 players, engaged in 4 territories
- In Italy: approx. 80 players, engaged in 3 territories
- In Croatia: approx. 35 players, engaged in 1 territory
- In Greece: approx. 35 players, engaged in 1 territory

Total: 230 participants.

Involved trainers: 8 trainers in Poland, 8 in Italy, 5 in Croatia and 5 in Greece. Total: 26 trainers.



# Next steps

- Event 5: STRENGTHENING THE CONNECTION

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| <b>Activation of local groups of stakeholders to develop viable «green ideas» to be implemented in the involved communities</b>            | from June to September 2023 |
| <b>Drafting of input papers, or policy papers + the Scenario interviews = document presenting the local visions of the “green futures”</b> | October 2023                |
| <b>Local workshops to present the «green future» and engage other citizens in the discussion and review</b>                                | November 2023               |

**N. OF PARTICIPANTS:** In total, 305 stakeholders and experts will participate:  
Workshops to carry out the focus groups: At least, 15 participants per territory will be involved. Total: 135 participants.  
Group scenario interviews: 2-3 participants per Country will be involved. Total: 10 participants.  
2 Local workshops in each Country: 20 participants per workshop - so, 40 participants per Country. Total: 160 participants

