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Local development through intergenerational

dialogue in mountain areas

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WHY ?

The context of the project

The project addresses two main challenges:

- **Migration of younger people to urban areas**
- **Socio-cultural marginalisation of elderly people**

Therefore

- **The BIG FOOT project aims to** overcome the existing gaps through:
- **Encouraging intergenerational learning** and dialogue in mountain areas
- **Valorizing specific skills and knowledge** of former generations

HOW ?

The methodology of the project

1. "Participatory Mapping" - consultation in selected communities in order to analyse local perspectives, community needs and assess the local environmental, historical and cultural resources. These elements will be collected in a **visual map provided at the local level, based on the community's self perception.**



2. Participatory mapping will be used to develop the **Learning and training intervention**: a combination of experiential learning and community service opportunities.

Elderly locals will act as trainers of younger people, tourists and interested stakeholders in **three fields**: tourism, handicrafts, ecology of production and consumption.

WHO ?

The BIG FOOT direct beneficiaries

Local families: through participatory mappings of the territory

Elderly people: as heritage trainers

Younger people: as heritage travelers

Community service and stakeholders: as heritage beneficiaries

In three target areas Comune of Gubbio (IT), Berkovitsa, (BG), Trikala (GR)

WHICH OBJECTIVES ?

Results and deliverables

Training possibilities for young people;

Proposed and **tested solutions** for elderly people to be socially involved and economically active;

A transferability **toolkit**;

Guides on intangible heritage.

Expected long term impact

- **Economic development**: increasing the added value of existing activities and diversification of local economies;
- **Valorization of human capital**: facilitating the transmission of activities to younger generations; promoting entrepreneurship, development of training and diversification of skills;
- **Preservation of natural resources**: improved management of available resources and environmental protection;
- **Promotion of culture, local heritage and traditions**: ensuring intergenerational communication, maintaining a balance between economic development and nature.



Contribution to local development and European policies



The purpose of the project is directly linked to the EU Regional policy and especially the idea of the "community led local development". Furthermore, it suits perfectly to the current period, defined as a European Year for Active Ageing and Solidarity between Generations.

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