

EVENT DESCRIPTION SHEET

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PROJECT	
Participant:	NGO ACPELIA
PIC number:	937217396
Project name and acronym:	"Cities 4 YOUth - Next Generation (C4YOU - NEXT GEN),

EVENT DESCRIPTION	
Event number:	WP5
Event name:	CITIES 4 YOUTH EVENT IN CYPRUS
Type:	International mobility, hosting of a youth event and multicultural youth festival
In situ/online:	in-situ
Location:	PISSOURI, LIMASSOL, CYPRUS
Date(s):	24/11/2025 – 28/11/205
Website(s) (if any):	https://cerv1.webnode.page/work-package-5/ https://cerv1.webnode.page/youth-initiative/ https://starachowice.eu/pl/dla-mieszkanca/wspolpraca-miedzynarodowa/cities-for-youth-next-generation/starachowicka-młodzież-na-cyprze--wizyta-studyjna-w-ramach-projektu-cities-for-youth--next-generation.html
Participants	
Female:	28 (EVENT) + 75 (FESTIVAL) + 43 (YOUTH INITIATIVE)
Male:	14 (EVENT) + 42 (FESTIVAL) +17 (YOUTH INITIATIVE)
Non-binary:	3 (FESTIVAL) + 1 (YOUTH INITIATIVE)
From city 1 [Starachowice]:	5 (EVENT)
From city 2 [Kielce]:	7 (EVENT)
From city 3 [Alzira]:	5 (EVENT)
From city 4 [Faenza]:	6 (EVENT)
From city 5 [Valongo]:	5 (EVENT)
From city 6 [Pissouri, Limassol]:	14 (EVENT) + 120 (FESTIVAL) +61 (YOUTH INITIATIVE)

Total number of participants:	223	From total number of countries:	5
Description <i>Provide a short description of the event and its activities.</i>			
The WP5 event of the project <i>Cities for YOUTh – Next Generation</i> was implemented in Cyprus from 24 to 28 November 2025, coordinated by NGO ACPELIA, and included a transnational mobility, a Youth Festival, a Youth Conference, and a Youth Initiative, all implemented under a single work package. The event brought together young people, youth workers, educators, and representatives of local authorities from Cyprus, Poland, Spain, Italy, and Portugal, strengthening European cooperation and the exchange of good practices in youth participation and civic engagement. The event started with the arrival of international participants and introductory non-formal activities aimed at building trust, group cohesion, and intercultural understanding. Ice-breaking sessions and team-building activities enabled participants from partner countries to connect, exchange experiences, and prepare for collaborative work throughout the mobility. A key element of the WP5 implementation was the Youth Initiative, which was designed and implemented as a participatory, youth-led process. Within this framework, young people actively identified challenges related to youth participation, inclusion, and democratic engagement at local and European levels. Through structured group work, discussions, and reflection sessions, participants developed ideas, proposals, and recommendations addressing active citizenship, social inclusion, and youth involvement in decision-making processes. The Youth Initiative provided young people with a safe and supportive space to express their views, compare realities from their countries, and co-create solutions relevant to their local communities. In parallel, the Youth Festival and Youth Conference served as open platforms connecting international participants with the local community. The official welcoming ceremony in Pissouri Community Hall included representatives of the Pissouri Community Council, educational institutions, civil society organizations, and ACPELIA, and focused on the role of youth in education, community development, and local governance. The festival included intercultural activities, public discussions, creative workshops, and cultural performances, promoting dialogue between young people, local stakeholders, and decision-makers. The programme also incorporated study visits and learning activities, including meetings with the Municipality of Paphos, the Paphos Youth Council, and Neapolis University Pafos, where participants discussed youth participation in governance, multicultural identity, and opportunities for civic engagement beyond formal education. Cultural visits to the Paphos Archaeological Park (UNESCO World Heritage Site) linked European cultural heritage with youth identity and civic responsibility.			

A central public activity of the WP5 event was the **Youth Conference and Festival at Periferiako Lyceum Apostolou Louka Kolossiou**, involving students from local high schools and international participants. The programme included presentations on European programmes (CERV and Erasmus+), an Oxford-style youth debate, and parallel workshops using arts, music, dance, and photography as tools for self-expression, inclusion, and participation. These activities strengthened young people's confidence, creativity, and civic awareness.

The WP5 event concluded with meetings at the **Cyprus Youth Board in Limassol**, cultural visits to the historical center of Limassol, and a farewell youth celebration involving local youth groups. Throughout the implementation, **non-formal education methodologies** were applied, ensuring active participation, inclusion, reflection, and learning.

Overall, the WP5 event in Cyprus — including the **Youth Initiative, Youth Festival, and Youth Conference** — significantly contributed to empowering young people as active European citizens, strengthening transnational cooperation, and promoting the core values of the **Citizens, Equality, Rights and Values (CERV) Programme**.

HISTORY OF CHANGES		
VERSION	PUBLICATION DATE	CHANGE
1.0	28.02.2025	Initial version (new MFF).