





INTERREGIONAL CAPACITY BUILDING AND DISSEMINATION EVENT in VARNA, BULGARIA

31.05.- 2.06.2022

MODUS HOTEL, Varna









May, Tuesday 31

Arrival and accommodation (Representatives from all partner organisations and two stakeholders from each stakeholder group attend the event),

Suggested hotel for accommodation, where the meeting will take place - https://www.modushotel.com/

https://modushotel.book-onlinenow.net/index.aspx?Page=0&lan_id=bg-BG

Promo code CECI for reservations (25% reduction) - ensured 12 single rooms pre-booked 31.5.-4.06.

Other hotels in vicinity:

www.panoramabg.com - 4 stars

https://en.graffithotel.com/ - luxury hotel

https://www.hotelplazabg.com/en/ - 3 stars

Travel options – through Sofia, Istanbul or Bucharest (270 km, private transfer is 50-70 Euro per direction)

June, Wednesday 01

09:00 - 09:15

Hotel Modus Conference room, Registration

09:15-09:20

Official opening by Mr Kosta Bazitov, Vice-Mayor of Varna

09:20-09:30

Varna – the green future of the city of the oldest gold in Europe and center – Silvia Stumpf, Business Agency

09: 30 - 11:00

Round table discussion « On the way to the sustainable change – policy improvements through CECI project for citizen involvement in circular economy » (hybrid event to ensure involvement online)

11:00 - 11:15

Coffee Break

11:30-13.00

« Understanding circular economy in everyday life – citizens for a greener future » thematical group discussions for sharing experiences between partners with the participation of Bulgarian stakeholders, citizens and media representatives, Radio Varna Conference Hall (in vicinity to Modus hotel)







13:00h – 14:00h Lunch at Modus hotel

14:00h - 15:30h

Workshop on how to accelerate pilots and new projects related to involvement of citizens in circular economy implementation (PP8)

15:30 - 16:00

Wrap-up session and discussion on PHASE 2 implementation

16:00h - 17:00h

Press conference with Varna media representatives

19:30h

Dinner in the Black sea garden by the Black sea

June, Thursday 02nd

Site visits & presentations of Varna local practices of circular economy operations and services with focus on citizens

09:00 Start from Modus hotel (with a bus)

- "Caps for the Future" The "Caps for the Future" charity initiative collects caps and aluminium cans in support of its children's medical equipment cause.
- Organic educational garden in kindergarten Educational corner in the yard of the kindergarten or school, where children, educators and parents grow herbs, vegetables and fruits together. This is an easy and fun way for the "green" theory to become a life experience, through play and experience in Nature.
- "The Social Tea house" initiatives The Teahouse is a place for tea and herbal drinks, events, workshops and most of all it is the first sheltered workplace for youngsters from social institutions. Their goal is to support young people from a problematic social environment and give them opportunities and tools to live an independent life and build themselves up both personally and professionally. The Social Teahouse organise a lot of educational events &workshops, focused on circular economy.
- Recycle Art Academy Creative, educational, studios for all who love nature and creativity. In the studios they work in the field of applied and fine arts, using waste materials giving them new life. In parallel, they show how to reduce the consumption of disposable plastic and how to live with the idea of "Zero waste" and compost. They create works of art and show people how to deal with waste. What is more, Recycle Art Academy organise a lot of workshops for children.
- <u>"Leaf by Leaf"-</u> Leaf by leaf is a campaign for separate collection and recycling of paper, implemented by the Public Center for Environment and Sustainable Development since 2000. The campaign's motto is "One ton of recycled paper saves 17 trees from felling."
 Every Tuesday and Wednesday, volunteers of the organization take the paper collected from offices, institutions, schools, and homes, upon prior request. It is transported to a recycling







point, where it is handed over for a fee. After covering the costs of the activity, the rest of the funds are paid into the List Fund. The funds raised are spent on civic and educational campaigns for environmental protection.

12:30 Transfer to the Historical Park by bus (33 km) www.ipark.bg

13.00- 14.00 Lunch in the Park

14:00 - 15:00

Presentation of sustainable and circular practices in the Park and in Varna tourism industry

Visit of the Park – 10 000 years of history re-built

15:30 – 16:00 Return to hotel and end of official program

20: 00 Dinner at a traditional Bulgarian restaurant