



Project partner presentation:

OSPERA (Croatia)

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VLADA REPUBLIKE HRVATSKE
Ured za udruge

LIVING LAB PODRAVLJE



Projekt sufinancira Švicarska Konfederacija kao doprinos smanjenju gospodarskih i socijalnih nejednakosti u EU-u. Projekt sufinancira Ured za udruge Vlade Republike Hrvatske. Stajališta izražena u ovoj prezentaciji isključiva su odgovornost Udruge Zelena Istra i ne odražavaju nužno stajalište Švicarske Konfederacije ni Ureda za udruge Vlade Republike Hrvatske.

OSPERA – Introduction

- Association for permaculture*
and sustainable living!
-> founded in 2013 (Osijek, Croatia)

*permaculture = approach to design sustainable and self-sufficient systems





Mission & Vision

- Promoting permaculture and sustainable living through education, nature protection and community engagement actions!





Key Activities

- Education (children & youth)
- Permaculture in practice (our community garden - LIVING LAB Podravlje)
- Citizen Science, Research & Innovation





LIVING LAB Podravlje

- Outdoor learning and experimentation space (1000 m²); innovative educational programs
- Community hub













Cooperation with ROOTS

- ROOTS Rangers/ForestCraft
- Nature-based learning
- Forest pedagogy approach







Citizen Science

- Pannonian Ranger initiative:
 - Water and soil quality monitoring
 - Biodiversity monitoring
 - Sustainable Agriculture practices





Projects in 2026

(9 ongoing)

- ✓ ECO-YOUTH (Erasmus+)
- ✓ GANDALF (Erasmus+)
- ✓ Active Youth, Strong Europe (Hellenic Youth)
- ✓ AGRIMICROBALANCE (European Innovation Partnership)
- ✓ ReGeneration - Seed of change (Swiss-Croatian Cooperation programme)
- ✓ LIVING LAB 2.0 (Local Action Group „Baranja”)
- ✓ Space4Regeneration (ECOLISE Pathfinder - Regenerative Communities Fund)
- ✓ Pannonian Rangers (City of Osijek)
- ✓ Offline – forest high school (Osijek-Baranja County)



Impact

- 1000+ of children engaged in community garden (LIVING LAB Podravlje)
- Environmental awareness
- Community resilience



Future Vision



- Scaling Living Lab concept
- Expanding Citizen Science hubs
- Stronger EU collaboration
- Focus on research & innovation

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