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## Press release

### **Erasmus+ brings together environmental groups from three Adriatic countries**

Three environmental groups, Croatian Green Istria, Italian Legambiente Lombardia and Slovenian Institute for Spatial Policies - IPoP met on 13-14 July to discuss the implementation of their Erasmus+ project "Tools for learning - tools for sustainable development". The project aims to empower the organizations to provide better quality non-formal education for young people about some of the most pressing challenges that humanity is facing, such as climate change and the environmental ones.

- Our experience shows that common, transnational problems require transnational solutions and that Adriatic countries and civil society organizations have a lot to learn from each other - said Dunja Mickov from Green Istria. She explained that their motivation for this project was to innovate Green Istria's expertise and youth work methods, but also to popularize these methods among teachers and other CSOs.

- This is necessary if we want to inspire the change towards sustainable development within our young learners and empower them to act as agents of change - added Arianna Bazzocchi from Legambiente Lombardia.

- In order to enable innovation, each of us organized one training for the trainers in the past months. This is how we exchanged our good practices and methods for youth work with our partners - said Maja Simoneti from IPoP.

IPoP focused in their training on issues related to sustainable urban development, including involvement of young people in spatial planning and non-formal learning tools such as urban walk, mapping, questionnaires, interviews and photo safari.

Legambiente Lombardia presented tools focused on climate change - simulation of the UN Climate Change Conference (COP) and Kahoot website based climate change issues quiz.

Green Istria shared its good practice in application of non-formal learning tools for youth work focused on waste reduction and need to change of consumption habits - the construction and use of give-box, organizing cooking with leftover food and swap party events.

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On the basis of the trainings, the environmental groups will in the nearby future organize three workshops for 30 young volunteers who will help them test the new methods and how their work in their own local settings.

The reports from three organizations trainings in their national languages can be found on the following links:

[Legambiente Lombardia](#)

[IPoP](#)

[Green Istria](#)

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