

Implementing Organizations:

Gyula Town Municipality (Gyula – project leader), Hungary

City of Zrenjanin (Zrenjanin/Nagybecskerek – project partner), Serbia

City of Covasna (Covasna/Kovászna – project partner), Romania

Municipality of Miercurea Ciuc (Miercurea Ciuc/Csíkszereda – project partner), Romania

Municipal Commune of Wągrowiec (Wągrowiec – project partner), Poland

City of Komárno (Komárno – project partner), Slovakia

Project identification number: 101138675 101138675

Project title: SUSCOMNET, CERV-2023-CITIZENS-TOWN SUSCOMNET, CERV-2023-CITIZENS-TOWN

Sustainable cities – sustainable communities

Total project budget: EUR 253,720, with a 100% funding rate, non-refundable grant.

Project duration: 01.02.2024 – 01.02.2026, 24 months

The project is implemented with the support of the European Education and Culture Executive Agency under the “CERV-2023-CITIZENS-TOWN-NT” programme.

Short summary of the project

The aim of the project is to organize networking events that provide opportunities for the broad involvement of local citizens in the dialogue about the European Green Deal and the future of Europe. Our main goal is to initiate discussions among citizens about sustainability, climate neutrality, the challenges of the transition, the background of the new EU growth strategy, and how these influence citizens' daily lives and local social processes.

The primary focus of the networking activities is the comparative analysis of how sustainability appears at the local level: what similarities and differences exist between participating countries, how much citizens engage with thinking about Europe's future at the local level, and what opportunities exist

for cross-border cooperation among citizens to strengthen sustainable towns and local communities.

In the first phase of the project, we conduct a complex survey among residents and decision-makers in the municipalities, with the aim of assessing citizens' general awareness and areas of interest in the topic, as well as collecting concrete experiences and good practices. Based on the results of the survey, we will organize 9 on-site thematic meetings (including a kick-off workshop) and 5 online events (including an interim progress review workshop). These events will explore issues of sustainability across several fields (economy, local society, education, energy management, transportation), involving broad social groups—particularly young people.

By completing the questionnaire, you can also contribute to the development of the town of Csíkszereda. If the future of our community is important to you, please support our work by sharing your opinions and experiences!

Completing the questionnaire is voluntary, and responses are anonymous. Your data will be processed only in aggregated form, and respondents cannot be identified in any way.

Research:

<https://suscomnet.com/en/kutatas/>

During the meetings, we strive to promote dialogue between civil organizations operating in the partner municipalities and to support the planning of joint projects in the spirit of the dialogue about the future. In addition to the professional events (workshops), forums and thematic information sessions will also support the in-depth discussion of the topic in the participating municipalities. As a result of the project, a joint twin-city sustainability strategy will be created, defining the directions for future cooperation.