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**The Municipality of Alimos, Lead Partner in the project entitled “Encouraging young people to build a better Europe – IN NEET” in the 6<sup>th</sup> Project Meeting in Pisa.**

The Municipality of Alimos, in the framework of the European project “IN NEET: Encouraging young people to build a better Europe”, in which owns the position of the Lead Partner, participated in the sixth project meeting in Pisa, Italy, during the period 22-23/02/2023.

The project is implemented within the framework of the “Europe for Citizens” Programme and its main goal is to combat unemployment faced by the young generation, to promote the active participation of youth in social activities and to enhance their role in European society.



During the first day, February 22, the Municipality’s representatives, along with the rest of the participants, had the chance to be informed about the “good practices” implemented by local institutions with the aim of promoting youth participation in the actions of their local community. Furthermore, the issue of socialization of the prison inmates through the participation in cultural initiatives as well as the social inclusion of the disabled people were envisaged. It is, also, important mentioning that the problems faced by socially excluded persons as well as women were highlighted. In addition, topical institutions provided information concerning their implemented practices against these phenomena. The representatives had also the chance to participate in workshops with the aim of promoting empathy concerning the daily life of the social excluded individuals and groups of people.



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In the second day, February 23, the challenge of social inclusion of the refugees was analyzed. In fact, with the assistance of a Cultural Mediator, the representatives were informed about the current situation in the Refugee Reception Centers while a Professor from the University of Pisa analyzed the role of the European Union in relation to the social dimension of refugee flows. Furthermore, there was an analysis of the obstacles faced by the new generation and a variety of possible means to deal with them was proposed, while a relevant debate as well as a round table discussion on the aforementioned issues followed.





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The Municipality of Alimos, adopting an extroverted profile, participates in innovative initiatives undertaken at European level with the aim of exchanging good practices and optimizing the quality of life of the citizens at a social, economic and cultural level.