

The project « Learning from the past, acting for the future. European citizens stand up in front of injustices » was funded with the support of the European Union under the Programme "Europe for Citizens"

## Five events have been carried out within this project:

### Event 1

**Participation:** The event involved 32 citizens, from across Bulgaria, primarily middle school and high school teachers.

**Location / Dates:** The event took place in Blagoevgrad and Sofia, Bulgaria from 12 to 17 July 2021 **Short description:** The aim of the event was to offer teachers from across Bulgaria the opportunity to learn, reflect, share and debate about Holocaust and human rights teaching contexts, methodologies and practices. A learner-centred approach, based on the principles of experiential learning and active participation was be used during the seminar. National and international researchers, practitioners presented and worked with the teachers to develop their competences to empower students to become active European citizens.

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### Event 2

**Participation:** The event involved 32 citizens, from across Romania, primarily middle school and high school teachers.

**Location / Dates:** The event took place in Cluj, Romania, from 20 to 24 July 2021 **Short description:** The aim of the event was to offer teachers from across Romania the opportunity to learn, reflect, share and debate about Holocaust and human rights teaching contexts, methodologies and practices. A learner-centred approach, based on the principles of experiential learning and active participation was be used during the seminar. National and international researchers, practitioners presented and worked with the teachers to develop their competences to empower students to become active European citizens.

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### Event 3

**Participation:** The event involved 30 citizens, from across Poland, primarily middle school and high school teachers.

**Location / Dates:** The event took place in Warsaw and Krakow, Poland, from 17 to 21 August 2021 **Short description:** The aim of the event was to offer teachers from across Poland the opportunity to learn, reflect, share and debate about Holocaust and human rights teaching contexts, methodologies and practices. A learner-centred approach, based on the principles of experiential learning and active participation was be used during the seminar. National and international researchers, practitioners presented and worked with the teachers to develop their competences to empower students to become active European citizens.

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#### Event 4

**Participation:** The event involved 29 citizens, from across Italy, primarily middle school and high school teachers.

**Location / Dates:** The event took place in Padua, Italy, from 29 August to 2 September 2021 **Short description:** The aim of the event was to offer teachers from across Italy the opportunity to learn, reflect, share and debate about Holocaust and human rights teaching contexts, methodologies and practices. A learner-centred approach, based on the principles of experiential learning and active participation was be used during the seminar. National and international researchers, practitioners

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## Event 5

**Participation:** The event involved 29 citizens, from Poland, Romania, Bulgaria and Italy **Location / Dates:** The event took place in Warsaw and Minsk Mazowiecki, Poland, from 3 to 6 April 2022 **Short description:** The aim of the event was to gather teachers and representatives of civil society and public institutions from Romania (7 people), Bulgaria (6 people), Italy (5 people) and Poland (11 people) to share their practices, to discuss about educational approaches for Holocaust and human rights education and to set up a European Network of Holocaust and Human Rights Educators. The Handbook describing the interdisciplinary approach combining Holocaust, human rights and intercultural education, developed in the framework of this project (and available here) was discussed during the conference.

# Preparatory activities

A series of preparatory activities were organised in order to carry out this project. The first partners' meeting took place in person, in Timisoara, in February 2020, gathering 8 representatives from all partner organisations:

Intercultural Institute Timisoara, Romania CDEC Foundation, Italy Big Picture, Poland Amalipe, Bulgaria

The rest of the preparatory activities took place online.