



EMBRACIN - Enhancing Migrants' Bottom-up, Responsive and Citizen-led Integration in Europe

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The European consortium of the project EMBRACIN is comprised by 10 partners representing the EU countries: Italy, Spain, Germany, Sweden, Slovenia, Greece and Cyprus.

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The idea of the EMBRACIN project derives from the significant experience of Prof. Calò and his family from Italy. Based on their personal practice, as hosts of migrants, they developed a scheme called "6+6×6" which in 2018 was awarded by the Italian President of the Republic and by the European Parliament.

The project EMBRACIN with a view to understanding, adapting and re-using the Calòs' experience, developed a network of cities interested in exchange, adapt and reuse (transfer) the award winning "6+6×6 Scheme" implemented at local level, scaling up the successful practice and testing its transferability in different EU Countries. The aim is to adopt it as "structured model" for migrant inclusion and integration, by verifying its cost – effectiveness and its efficacy in terms of benefits for the migrants themselves and for the hosting communities.

The project's outcomes include the Knowledge exchange and transferability plans which set the foundation of the project's goal. The goal is to create a fertile environment where local level actors and authorities learn how to understand, adapt, reuse, and share successful and effective practice on migrants' integration. The next output is Network Building and Awareness Raising with the aim to create mutual learning opportunities for local and regional level actors and stakeholders and engage them to the partnership. Activities include action-research, "soft" awareness raising and engagement in learning sessions. The last output includes the Experimentation and evaluation of the Model. The transferability plan will be implemented and evaluated in 6 partner cities to re-use the improved «6+6*6 scheme».

Partners completed the learning sessions in Italy, Spain, Sweden, Greece and Cyprus and the following months the sessions in Slovenia will also be completed. The next step for partners is to use the developed transferability plans and proceed with the pilot phase to evaluate the transfer of the Scheme in each country.

The pilot testing will begin in January 2021 with partners of the consortium, third country nationals, practitioners, and professionals involved in integration of migrants.

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