

EVENT DESCRIPTION SHEET

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PROJECT	
Participant:	Municipality of Berane, Montenegro
PIC number:	937535459
Project name and acronym:	Take action! Because, who if not you?

EVENT DESCRIPTION			
Event number:	[8] – WP8		
Event name:	YOUTH, PARTICIPATORY DEMOCRACY AND ELECTIONS MOTIVATIONAL WORKSHOP_MNE 2		
Type:	Workshop		
In situ/online:	[in-situ]		
Location:	Montenegro - Berane		
Date(s):	03.06.2026		
Website(s) (if any):	https://share.google/14d4HI76ZMntHNd74		
Participants			
Female:	47		
Male:	22		
Non-binary:	0		
From country 1 [Montenegro]:	69		
Total number of participants:	69	From total number of countries:	1
Description			
<i>Provide a short description of the event and its activities.</i>			
ENGLISH: Within the project Take action! Because, who if not you?, the Municipality of Berane organized the second Motivational Workshop for Youth on 3 June 2026 at Hotel Berane. The activity was implemented as a continuation of the first motivational workshop and was focused on defining youth priorities, preparing mini-action plans and strengthening the public advocacy skills of young people in Berane. The workshop gathered 69 participants , including 47 female and 22 male participants. In addition to young people from Berane, the activity was attended by representatives of the project team and local stakeholders who supported the discussion on youth participation and local democratic processes. The workshop was designed as an interactive and practical activity, with the aim of encouraging young people to move from discussion to concrete planning and joint action.			

During the introductory session, the participants were reminded of the conclusions and messages from the first motivational workshop. A short discussion was opened on what had happened after the previous activity, which participants had remained active, and what the next steps for young people in Berane could be. The participants emphasized that the first workshop helped them better understand the importance of participation, but that additional support, clearer information and more opportunities for direct communication with decision-makers are still needed.

A central part of the workshop was dedicated to **defining youth priorities in Berane**. Through a simple voting exercise and facilitated discussion, the participants identified several key topics of importance for young people, including **youth employment, better access to information, participation in public consultations, more youth-friendly public spaces, and the need to establish more structured communication between young people and local institutions**. The participants agreed that young people should be more visible in local decision-making processes and that their opinions should be taken into account when planning activities and policies that directly affect them.

Following the prioritization exercise, the participants worked in groups on the development of mini-action plans. Each group defined a concrete goal, target audience, key message and possible advocacy method. The proposed mini-actions included organizing a meeting with representatives of the Municipality, preparing a short youth appeal with priorities, launching a peer-to-peer information activity, and creating a simple online campaign to encourage young people to become more involved in public life. Through this exercise, participants practiced how to transform a general problem into a clear and realistic advocacy initiative.

A special segment of the workshop was dedicated to the joint development of the document **"Vision of the Future of Young People in Berane"**. The participants discussed the main problems faced by young people, selected priority areas and proposed measures that could contribute to a more active and supportive environment for youth. The discussion was constructive and focused on practical solutions, such as improving communication channels between young people and local institutions, strengthening youth participation in public debates, supporting informal youth initiatives and creating more opportunities for skills development and employment.

The training on public advocacy provided the participants with practical guidance on how to communicate with decision-makers, how to formulate a clear request and how to present youth priorities in a structured way. Through a simulation of a meeting with representatives of the Municipality, young people practiced presenting their ideas, responding to questions and jointly defending their proposals. This exercise was particularly useful because it helped participants gain confidence and understand that advocacy is a process that requires preparation, cooperation and persistence.

At the end of the workshop, the groups presented the results of their work, including mini-action plans and key messages. One of the messages highlighted by the participants was: **"Young people should not wait for change – they should be part of creating it."** The participants agreed that the youth advocacy group initiated during the first workshop should continue its work and use the conclusions of this second workshop as a basis for further communication with local institutions.

The workshop was implemented in a positive and participatory atmosphere. Participants showed motivation, creativity and readiness to continue working on issues that are important for young people in Berane. Working materials, refreshments, lunch and certificates of participation were provided for all participants.

Conclusion:

The second Motivational Workshop for Youth was successfully implemented and represented a meaningful continuation of the first workshop organized within the project Take action! Because, who if not you?. The activity contributed to further strengthening youth participation, encouraging young people to define their priorities and supporting them in developing practical advocacy ideas. Through group work, discussion and simulation exercises, participants improved their understanding of public advocacy and prepared concrete proposals for future youth actions in Berane. The workshop also contributed to strengthening the youth advocacy group, which will continue to communicate and coordinate possible mini-actions in the local community.

MONTENEGRIN:

U okviru projekta Take action! Because, who if not you? Opština Berane je 3. juna 2026.

godine u Hotelu Berane organizovala drugu Motivacionu radionicu za mlade. Aktivnost je realizovana kao nastavak prve motivacione radionice i bila je usmjerena na definisanje prioriteta mladih, izradu mini-akcionih planova i jačanje vještina javnog zagovaranja mladih u Beranama. Radionica je okupila **69 učesnika**, od čega 47 ženskog i 22 muškog pola. Pored mladih iz Berana, radionici su prisustvovali predstavnici projektnog tima i lokalni akteri koji su podržali diskusiju o učešću mladih i lokalnim demokratskim procesima. Radionica je osmišljena kao interaktivna i praktična aktivnost, sa ciljem da se mladi podstaknu da od razgovora o problemima pređu ka konkretnom planiranju i zajedničkom djelovanju. Tokom uvodne sesije učesnici su se podsjetili zaključaka i poruka sa prve motivacione radionice. Otvorena je kratka diskusija o tome šta se desilo nakon prethodne aktivnosti, ko je ostao aktivan i koji bi mogli biti naredni koraci za mlade u Beranama. Učesnici su istakli da im je prva radionica pomogla da bolje razumiju značaj učešća, ali da su mladima i dalje potrebni dodatna podrška, jasnije informacije i više prilika za direktnu komunikaciju sa donosiocima odluka.

Centralni dio radionice bio je posvećen **definisaju prioriteta mladih u Beranama**. Kroz glasanje po prioritetima i facilitiranu diskusiju, učesnici su prepoznali nekoliko ključnih tema od značaja za mlade, među kojima su **zapošljavanje mladih, bolja dostupnost informacija, učešće u javnim raspravama, veći broj sadržaja i prostora prilagođenih mladima, kao i potreba za uspostavljanjem strukturisanije komunikacije između mladih i lokalnih institucija**. Učesnici su se saglasili da mladi treba da budu vidljiviji u lokalnim procesima odlučivanja i da se njihovo mišljenje uzima u obzir prilikom planiranja aktivnosti i politika koje ih se direktno tiču. Nakon definisanja prioriteta, učesnici su radili u grupama na izradi mini-akcionih planova. Svaka grupa definisala je konkretan cilj, ciljnu publiku, ključnu poruku i mogući način zagovaranja. Među predloženim mini-akcijama našli su se organizovanje sastanka sa predstavnicima Opštine, priprema kratkog apela mladih sa prioritetima, sprovođenje vršnjačke informativne aktivnosti i pokretanje jednostavne online kampanje kojom bi se mladi podstakli da se aktivnije uključe u javni život. Kroz ovu vježbu učesnici su vježbali kako se opšti problem može pretvoriti u jasnu i realnu zagovaračku inicijativu.

Poseban dio radionice bio je posvećen zajedničkom oblikovanju dokumenta „**Vizija budućnosti mladih u Beranama**“. Učesnici su razgovarali o glavnim problemima sa kojima se mladi suočavaju, odabranim prioritetnim oblastima i mjerama koje bi mogle doprinijeti stvaranju aktivnijeg i podržavajućeg okruženja za mlade. Diskusija je bila konstruktivna i usmjerena na praktična rješenja, kao što su unapređenje komunikacionih kanala između mladih i lokalnih institucija, jačanje učešća mladih u javnim raspravama, podrška neformalnim inicijativama mladih i stvaranje više prilika za razvoj vještina i zapošljavanje.

Trening javnog zagovaranja omogućio je učesnicima da steknu praktična znanja o tome kako razgovarati sa donosiocima odluka, kako jasno formulisati zahtjev i kako predstaviti prioritete mladih na strukturisan način. Kroz simulaciju sastanka sa predstavnicima Opštine, mladi su vježbali predstavljanje svojih ideja, odgovaranje na pitanja i zajedničko zastupanje prijedloga. Ova vježba bila je posebno korisna jer je učesnicima pomogla da steknu više samopouzdanja i da razumiju da je zagovaranje proces koji zahtijeva pripremu, saradnju i istrajnost.

Na kraju radionice grupe su predstavile rezultate svog rada, uključujući mini-akcione planove i ključne poruke. Kao jedna od poruka izdvojila se poruka: „**Mladi ne treba da čekaju promjene – treba da budu dio njihovog stvaranja**.“ Učesnici su se saglasili da zagovaračka grupa mladih, čije je formiranje pokrenuto tokom prve radionice, treba da nastavi rad i da zaključke ove druge radionice iskoristi kao osnov za dalju komunikaciju sa lokalnim institucijama. Radionica je realizovana u pozitivnoj i participativnoj atmosferi. Učesnici su pokazali motivaciju, kreativnost i spremnost da nastave da rade na pitanjima koja su važna za mlade u Beranama. Za sve učesnike obezbijeđeni su radni materijali, osvježenje, ručak i sertifikati o učešću.

Zaključak:

Druga Motivaciona radionica za mlade uspješno je realizovana i predstavljala je sadržajan nastavak prve radionice organizovane u okviru projekta Take action! Because, who if not you?. Aktivnost je doprinijela daljem jačanju učešća mladih, podsticanju mladih da definišu svoje prioritete i podršci u razvoju praktičnih zagovaračkih ideja. Kroz grupni rad, diskusiju i simulacione vježbe, učesnici su unaprijedili razumijevanje javnog zagovaranja i pripremili konkretne prijedloge za buduće akcije mladih u Beranama. Radionica je dodatno doprinijela jačanju zagovaračke grupe mladih, koja će u narednom periodu nastaviti komunikaciju i

koordinaciju mogućih mini-akcija u lokalnoj zajednici.

HISTORY OF CHANGES		
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