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WELCOME

We welcome you to the first newsletter of the project "Responsible Smart Citizenship against Poverty & Social Exclusion". With these newsletters that will be published throughout the project cycle, we want to keep you informed of all the news and advances that are being made.

With this first newsletter, what we want is for you to know about the project, its objectives and results, and the next actions that will be carried out.

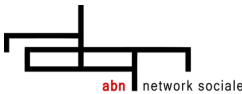
We hope you find it interesting!

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RESPONSIBLE SMART CITIZENSHIP AGAINST POVERTY & SOCIAL EXCLUSION

SYNOPSIS

The project "Responsible Smart Citizenship against Poverty & Social Exclusion" is an Erasmus+ project co-financed by the European Commission. With a duration of 30 months, it takes place in four European countries: Spain, Italy, Cyprus and Greece, origin of the different partners: Documenta (coordinator of the project), Consorzio ABN, Center for Social Innovation -CSI- and Kethea, respectively.

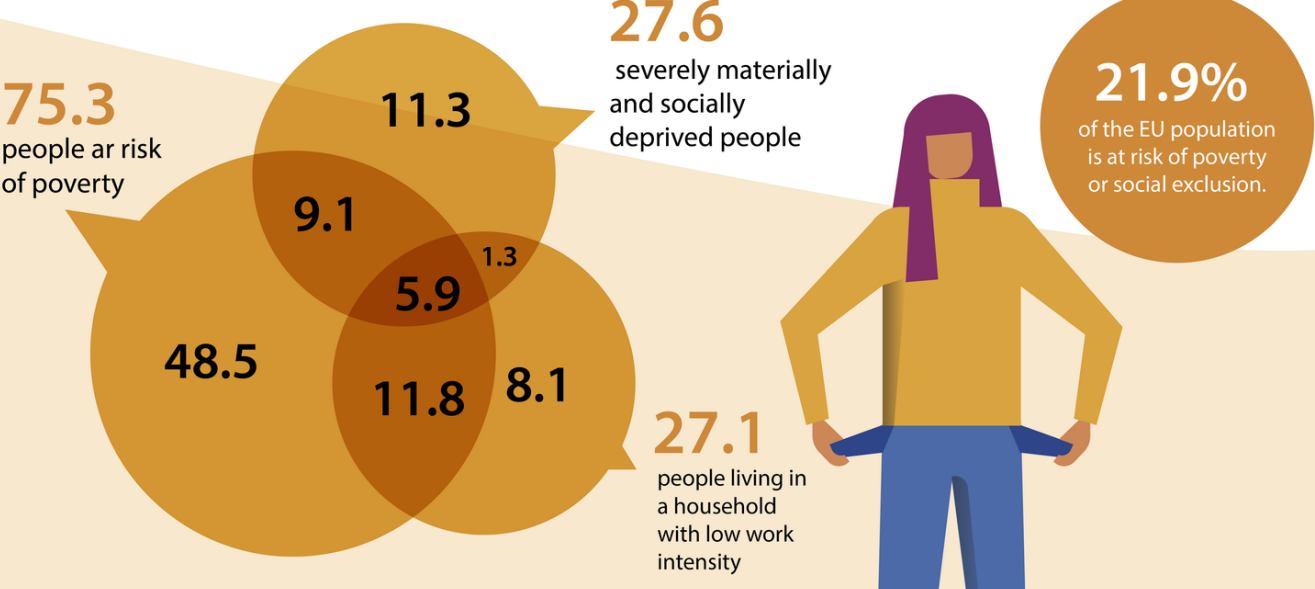
The "RSC against P&SE" project arises from the need to develop new, innovative and participatory strategies to combat poverty and social exclusion in the EU based on the civic and social commitment of an active, intelligent and responsible citizenship

The general objective of the project is to contribute to the reduction of poverty and social exclusion in the EU through the design and systematization of an innovative and effective **European Strategy for Education and Social Participation against Poverty and Social Exclusion**, based on the construction of an "inclusive and collaborative learning ecosystem", and in the networking of Local Communities of Inclusive and Collaborative Learning, aimed at: building capacities and acquiring key skills for promoting inclusion, participation and social cohesion;

the design and evaluation of Inclusive and Collaborative Learning Projects against Poverty and Social Exclusion; and the empowerment and involvement of an active, intelligent and responsible European citizenship. The **specific objectives** of the project are:

- 1.Design, develop and keep updated a Digital Toolbox that covers the learning needs aimed at promoting social inclusion and favouring the exercise of active citizenship.
- 2.Design, build and boost a Virtual Environment for Inclusive and Collaborative Learning for the proper functioning, transferability and sustainability of the "RSC Strategy against P&SE".
- 3.Design and validate an Education and Social Participation Program aimed both at improving the technical qualification and acquisition of key skills of workers and volunteers of entities involved in the fight against P&SE, as well as favouring the creation of Collaborative Learning Communities
- 4.Systematize the entire "CSR against P&SE" process in a Policy Advocacy Toolkit (White Paper), Transfer and Sustainability for its transfer and implementation in the EU, in addition to a networking and sustainability strategy.

Number of people at risk of poverty or social exclusion, analysed by type of risk, EU (million)



Note: estimates. Due to rounding, the sum of the data for the seven intersecting groups may differ slightly from the totals published elsewhere.

EXPECTED RESULTS OF THE "RSC AGAINST P&SE" PROJECT

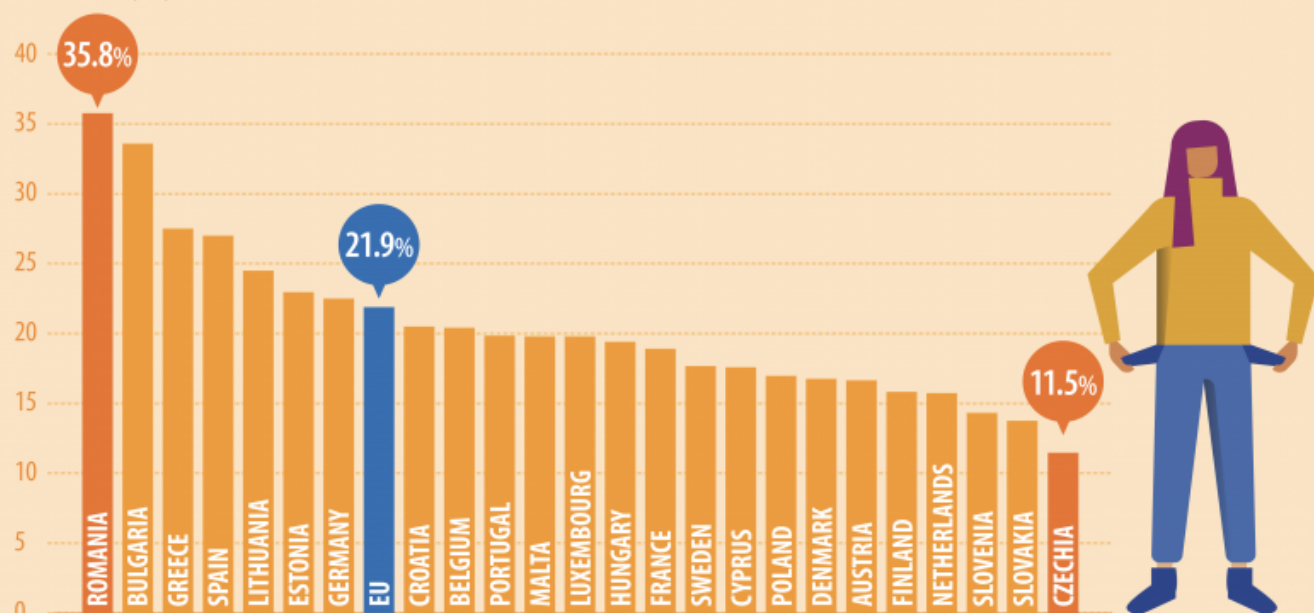
To achieve the different objectives of the project and contribute to the reduction of poverty and social exclusion in the EU, the project aims to achieve four results:

- A Digital Toolbox with two main tools: a toolbox of pedagogical materials and resources (state of play on P&SE in the four partner countries; BBPP against P&SE; and training materials and resources) and a methodological and evaluation toolkit (Guide Methodology for Education and Social Participation; Common European Framework of Reference and acquisition of transversal key competences; Methodologies and tools for the design and evaluation of social projects; Gender perspective and diversity in the processes and projects of the fight against the P&SE).
- A Virtual Environment for Inclusive and Collaborative Learning (EVAIC) against Poverty and Social Exclusion with the necessary tools and technical support or the correct impartation of the Education and Social Participation Program and for the operational development of the learning communities.
- An Education and Social Participation Program (PEPS) for the creation of Inclusive and Participatory Learning Communities against Poverty and Social Exclusion with the aim of improving the qualification of professionals and volunteers of the social organisations involved.
- A Policy Advocacy Toolkit (White Paper), Transfer and Sustainability, with the objective of raising awareness, promoting change in the approach to poverty and social exclusion by policymakers, as well as facilitating the transfer and replicability of the "RSC against P&SE" project in other organisations and territories of the EU.

With these results, the "RSC against P&SE" project seeks to contribute to the reduction of P&SE by offering the necessary materials and resources to improve the education of the main key actors in this area.

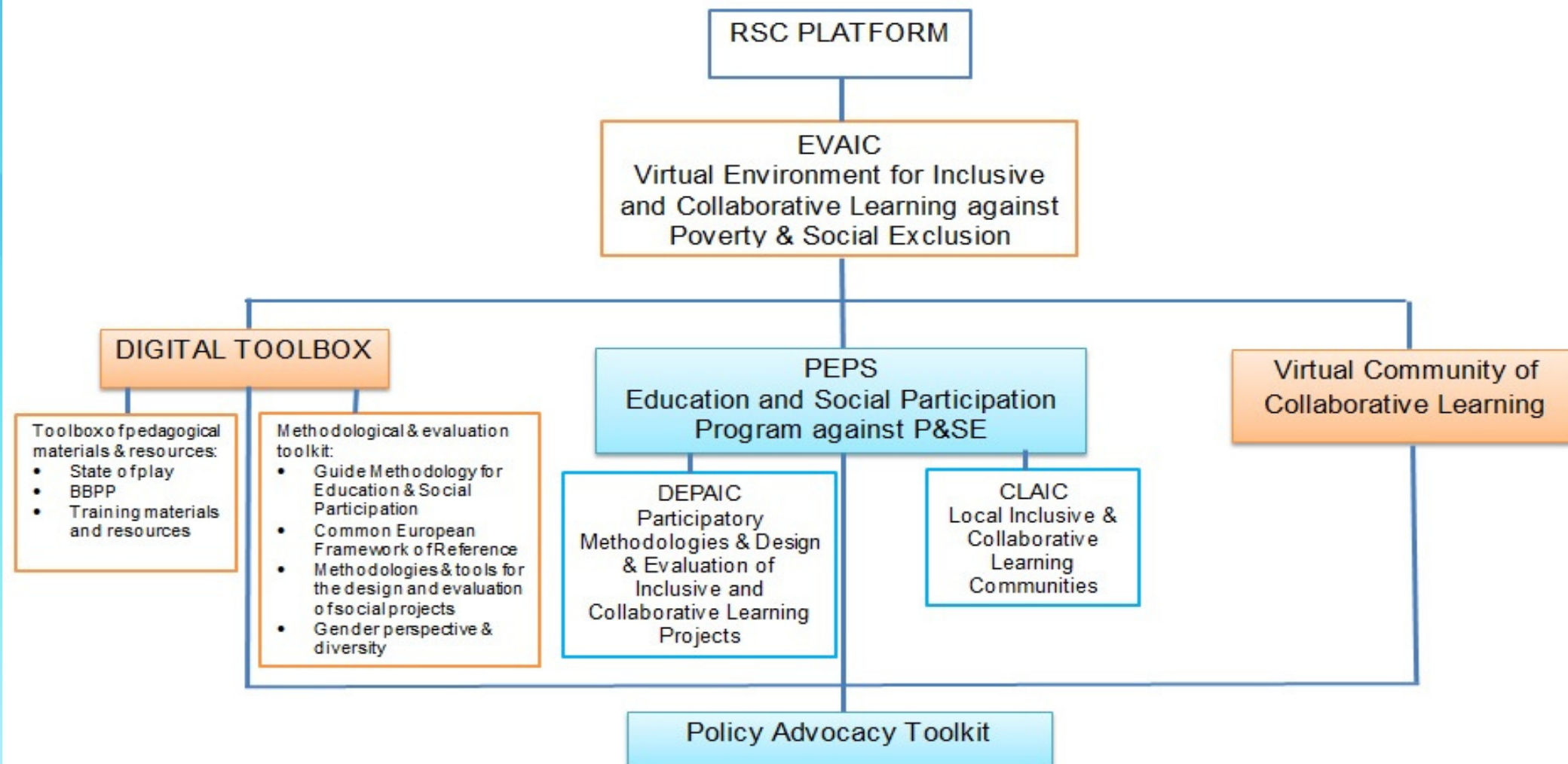
People at risk of poverty or social exclusion in the EU, 2020

(% of total population)



Provisional values: France, Croatia, Netherlands Poland, Slovakia
No data: Ireland, Italy, Latvia

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KICK-OFF MEETING



The first transnational meeting of the “RSC against P&SE” project was held on last May 11 and 12 in Santander (Cantabria Central Library facilities). This first meeting served for a first contact between the partners and to lay the foundations for the work to be carried out in the next two and a half years.

During the two days in which the meeting took place, objectives and actions to be carried out were marked, as well as the roles of each partner. Among the main agreements are:

- Result 1 – Digital Toolbox: preparation by all the partners of a report on the state of the P&SE in the respective countries; selection of 3 BBPP per partner; and a search for training materials and resources related to P&SE. The leader of this result is Documenta, a partner that will be in charge of providing the templates and instructions to the rest of the partners.
- Result 2 – EVAIC: construction of the RSC platform and, in particular, of the EVAIC (Virtual Environment for Inclusive and Collaborative Learning against P&SE). The EVAIC, as a fundamental part of the project, will in turn contain the materials resulting from R1, the PEPS (Education and Social Participation Program) and the Virtual Community. The leader of this result is the Center for Social Innovation (CSI) who will design and make this platform operational.
- Result 3- Education and Social Participation Program and Result 4- Policy Advocacy Toolkit, Transfer and Sustainability: these two results were presented and explained at the first meeting. The actions to be carried out regarding both results will be decided in successive meetings.
- Dissemination: the communication and dissemination of the project, its results and actions, is a task to be developed by all the partners, with CSI being the leader of its compliance and evaluation (dissemination plan, mapping of stakeholders, Facebook page, design of an informative brochure, etc.).
- Evaluation and Quality System: this system will include a quality control and evaluation guide, and the necessary materials for the evaluation and monitoring of the project (indicators, questionnaires, reports, etc.). The leader of its development and implementation is Consorzio ABN.

These are some of the agreements that were made during the Kick-Off Meeting. In addition, each result was presented and the actions to be followed by all partners for the project to be a success in its development and achieve the proposed objectives were explained in detail.

The next meeting of the consortium will be online in September 2022.