

# THE NEWSLETTER

## SESYCARE PROJECT

**During the training days held in the Netherlands, "The step-by-step process of a young carer to from a social entrepreneur" was evaluated.**



On February 26-28, 2022 and hosted by the Stichting Dutch Foundation of Innovation Welfare 2 Work, a short-term staff training within the scope of the Sesycare project was held. Located in the Area071 incubation center in Leiderdorp, the host focused on the principles of non-formal education

and the inclusion of young carers through social entrepreneurship through the workshops. The three-day training contributed to the capacity building of the key personnel involved in the project by the stakeholders. During the workshops, the step-by-step process of a young carer to become a social entrepreneur was described. The stages of a young carer's readiness and motivation to become a social entrepreneur, concretely defining their goals and participating in a social entrepreneurship process were evaluated. In addition, the education and training processes applied in the field of social entrepreneurship were discussed.

On the second day of the training, the project partners visited the Area071 incubation center to inspect. Accompanied by the host institution, we had the opportunity to meet the businesses in Area071.

Especially Mr. Bart Hoenen, co-founder of AREA071, shared his experiences working with young entrepreneurs and vulnerable groups. Companies located in the incubation center often work on innovations and technologies aimed at improving the well-being of society. This experience sharing and review visit was very useful in terms of seeing examples of social entrepreneurship.

On the third day of the training, a

presentation was made for young entrepreneurs by Andreas Stefanidis, the Greek President of the Entrepreneurship Academy. In the presentation where the Erasmus program was introduced, he explained how social entrepreneurs in the European Union can benefit from this program as the entrepreneurs of the future.



Afterthat, participating in the online workshop from Istanbul Gelisim University Psychology Department, Dr. Aman Sado ELEMO, made a presentation on the psychological aspects of social entrepreneurship for the disabled or young caregivers.



With the Leiden workshops, an effective working environment has been created where we talk about how we can turn dreams into ideas and ideas into beginnings.

In addition, the partners had the opportunity to participate in several cultural activities in the Dutch province of Leiden. The popular touristic areas of the region were visited with the host and the participants had a good time together.



## The partnership organized a visit to Lorenzo's House in Italy as part of the Sesycare project.

The final meeting of the project was held in Lanciano, Italy, on 20 and 21 October 2022, hosted by Consorzio SGS (renamed Consorzio di Cooperative sociali Global Med Care). On the first day of the two-day meeting, they organized a visit to the Lorenzo House as part of good practice exchanges. Lorenzo's House is a non-profit



organization that is recognized as a social benefit entity. Lorenza's house was dedicated by her family to Lorenzo Constantini, who died at the age of 20 from leukemia. His family describes Lorenzo as a good student and a very sporty young man. Unfortunately, his family, who learned that he had to be transferred to a private hospital in the USA for his treatment, started a public financial aid campaign to cover the \$ 600,000 treatment cost. The appeals for financial aid were very successful and the locals were very responsive to Lorenzo's case, and it took a few weeks for the sum to be collected. Unfortunately, Lorenzo succumbed to this illness. Later, a non-profit organization was created to transfer this financial aid, which was collected to help the families of young people who needed help and had health problems. Since then, this organization has offered support and comfort to those who have suffered an illness of their relatives, most of them children or a great loss. The organization offers completely free services, including group meetings with professional psychologists, nutritionists, yoga sessions and support for anyone suffering from loneliness.



The organization also prepares special packages, baskets and products that can be sold on special occasions such as Christmas by contacting local producers in the region to provide the financial source to continue its activities.



On the second day of the meeting, the sustainability strategy of the project was reviewed and new project opportunities for the next period were discussed.

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