

the challenge

MINGLE is a project which attempts to facilitate the active citizenship and the integration of third country nationals (TCNs) through the collaboration and networking with different social agents of the host community (generating social and human capital). This has an effect on:

- ➔ An active interaction between TCNs and locals which has as a result a greater TCNs' integration in the society.
- ➔ The empowerment of TCNs who participate, through the improvement of their language skills, personal competences and social skills, as well as through a better understanding of the community and the available resources.
- ➔ As a consequence, the improvement of their economic, labour, social, etc. individual perspectives.

Mingle Snapshot

TITLE	Generating Social and Human Capital for Third-Country Nationals
DURATION	24 months
PARTNERS NETWORK	10 partners from 5 European countries (Cyprus, Germany, Greece, Spain and Sweden)
COORDINATOR	Multifunctional Foundation of the Municipality of Nicosia
PROJECT'S WEB PAGE	www.mingle.projectgallery.eu/
KEY WORDS	social capital, human capital, active citizenship, mingling, intercultural communication, mentoring, language skills improvement, social and cultural integration

join & participate in our activities!

If you believe in Third-Country Nationals' integration that MINGLE is for you. You can participate in the project as a host community representative (local), assist in our goal and at the same time improve your own competences.

- 1** We will work on the development of language skills (of the host country), intercultural communication and civic and social skills. Among other activities, we will visit institutions and places representative of the local culture in order to increase knowledge and enhance institutional and social trust.
- 2** We will organize MINGLING experiences, intended for the interaction and cultural exchange between TCNs and locals. Through these activities, we will foster a bias-free mutual knowledge and understanding that facilitates the creation of a cohesive community. The facilitators (locals) will be adequately trained via workshops meant to explain how to implement the activities successfully.
- 3** The locals and the TCNs will be in contact through individual mentoring sessions, which content will be tailored according to their individual needs. These mentoring sessions contribute not only to the elimination of barriers, but also in effecting a change of mentality and expansion of mutual social trust. The mentors (locals) will be trained via two workshops: the first one will deal with the project's tools and the second one with effective intercultural communication.
- 4** Finally, we will create an online tool: the <How to MINGLE> platform. Through this interactive web platform, interested parties will be able to locate information about different activities implemented by the project as well as materials and tools used (training materials, good practices, facilitator's guides, etc.)

The products of the project will be available in English and all of the project partners' languages



what would your role as a local be?

Simply put:



How will you benefit from the project?

- ➔ You will be trained as a MINGLING experience facilitator and you will have the opportunity to deliver some of those experiences.
- ➔ You will develop your intercultural communication skills through training as well as through the experience you will gain from the project.
- ➔ You will develop your mentoring skills and you will have the opportunity to practice them. Additionally, you will receive training on the mentoring tools that will be used by the project.

target group

MINGLE will work with two concrete profiles: Third-Country Nationals (TCNs) and local agents:

- ➔ TCNs: Third-Country Nationals are people from a non EU country.
- ➔ The term "locals" refers to: representatives of authorities and NGOs supporting TCNs (from the host countries). The term also refers to volunteers and experts on the subject.

The project directly involves at least 1000 people from the five partner countries.

aim

The MINGLE project is focused on empowering the TCNs through developing and improving social (SC) and human capital (HC). According to the Common Basic Policy Principles on Immigrant Integration: "frequent interaction between immigrants and Member State citizens is a fundamental mechanism for integration", as is "basic knowledge of the host society's language, history, and institutions".

- 1** Reinforcement of Human Capital and Political Trust will be achieved through the provision of horizontal skills, including language and soft skills to TCNs, as well as visits to institutions and locations representative of the local culture aimed at increasing their intercultural competence and trust in public institutions.
- 2** Provision of Social Capital and reinforcement of Social Trust, through the development of social networks and relationships between TCNs and locals, will be achieved through:
 - > MINGLING Experiences aiming at the discovery of the common humanity of TCNs and locals (representatives of local authorities and volunteers), through sharing stories, objects, games, etc.
 - > Mentoring: Locals will be matched with TCNs. Then, mentoring sessions will be implemented, the focus of which will be an introduction, a 'how-to' of the host's society and culture, institutions, and other topics, according to the needs of each participant. TCNs will thus benefit by mingling with locals while acquiring information on the host society.

partners network

The partners network includes 10 organizations from five different European countries:



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is this project for me?

Do you believe in Third-Country Nationals' Integration?

Would you like to participate in an innovative project promoting this?



Then come & MINGLE: Join a project that approaches integration from a shared point of view featuring the collaboration of both the host community and the migrant population, This Is Your MINGLE Programme!. The methodology of MINGLE is based on the creation of social and human capital to stimulate cultural diversity. We believe that integration goes beyond a mere economic perspective and that the way of generating social cohesion is through enhancing what we have in common and promoting Universal human values.

Contact us at any time for more information



We are delighted to help you!

outcomes

Language training

Cultural and institutional activities

The MINGLING experiences

Mentoring sessions

Training workshops and materials



MINGLE platform:
a set of activities & resources used during the implementation of the project

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