

EVENT DESCRIPTION SHEET

PROJECT	
Participant:	WeWorld Onlus
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EVENT DESCRIPTION	
Event number:	WP8
Event name:	National Youth Conference in Italy
Type:	conference
In situ/online:	<i>In situ</i>
Location:	Italy, Bologna
Date(s):	9/06
Website(s) (if any):	https://www.weworld.it/cosa-facciamo/progetti-in-europa/my-resistance-my-democracy https://www.weworld.it/en/what-we-do/european-projects/my-resistance-my-democracy
Participants	
Female:	15
Male:	15
Non-binary:	2
From country 1 [name]:	Italy
From country 2 [name]:	
From country 3 [name]:	
...	
Total number of	32
From total number	1

participants:		of countries:	
Description			
<i>Provide a short description of the event and its activities.</i>			
<p>The National Conference took place on June 9th at Vag61, a social centre in Bologna that carries out various social activities in the city. WeWorld has a long-standing collaboration with Vag61 and the people that animates the space.</p> <p>All youth who participated in the previous five workshops were contacted to participate at the Conference. Furthermore, we promoted the event using our common channels (social media, mailing list, newsletter, etc.) to broaden the participation and also engage those who were not able to participate in the previous phase of the project.</p> <p>At this event, the participants in Italy were 32 people divided in 15 male, 15 female and 2 people which prefer to do not answer.</p> <p>The Conference has started at 14.00 and it finished at 19.30.</p> <p>The Conference has been organized in this way:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Presentation and registration - Historical lesson on no global movement and modern activism with inputs by an expert; - Workshop; - Discussion on wishes and demands; - Meeting online with Slovenian youth; - Walking tour. 			



PARTECIPAZIONE POLITICA PER LA GIUSTIZIA CLIMATICA

Venerdì 9 giugno 14:00-19.30

Vag61, Via Paolo Fabbri, 110, Bologna

Programma della giornata

Ore 14.00-19.30: National Conference

- Ore 14.00 - 14.30
 - Andrea Filippi e Patrizio Ponti, ~~WeWorld~~: introduzione
- Ore 14.30-16.00
 - Valerio Monteventi, dialoga con i ragazzi e le ragazze sull'importanza dell'attivarsi per il cambiamento climatico, facendo un excursus storico sul movimento no global
- Ore 16.00-18.00
 - Andrea Filippi e Patrizio Ponti ~~WeWorld~~: presentazione partecipata dei risultati raccolti nei laboratori ed elaborazione di richieste condivise verso le conferenze internazionali CERV
- Ore 18.00- 18.30
 - Collegamento online con partner Sloveni e momento di condivisione delle istanze nazionali.
- Ore 18.45-19.30 Walking Tour organizzato da: **Resistenze in Cirenaica**



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The National Conference opened with Valerio Monteventi, the host speaker, a historian and activist, member of Vag61 that gave some historical inputs on *No global movement and modern way of activism* such as the *Friday for Future*. Valerio asked to the youth, "How can I become politically active for change today?" Thus, many participants focused on contextual differences where nowadays there is a lack of spaces (such as youth centres) in which to have confrontations and discussions. Indeed, the speaker reflected on how the possibility of having a physical space where young people can talk on today's issues is a big lack for the younger generation.



After this session, WeWorld organized an activity with the purpose to raise their wishes and demands.

Therefore, the workshop was carried out in the following way:

Firstly, the participants had to analyse instances and topics that emerged previously in the workshops, including:

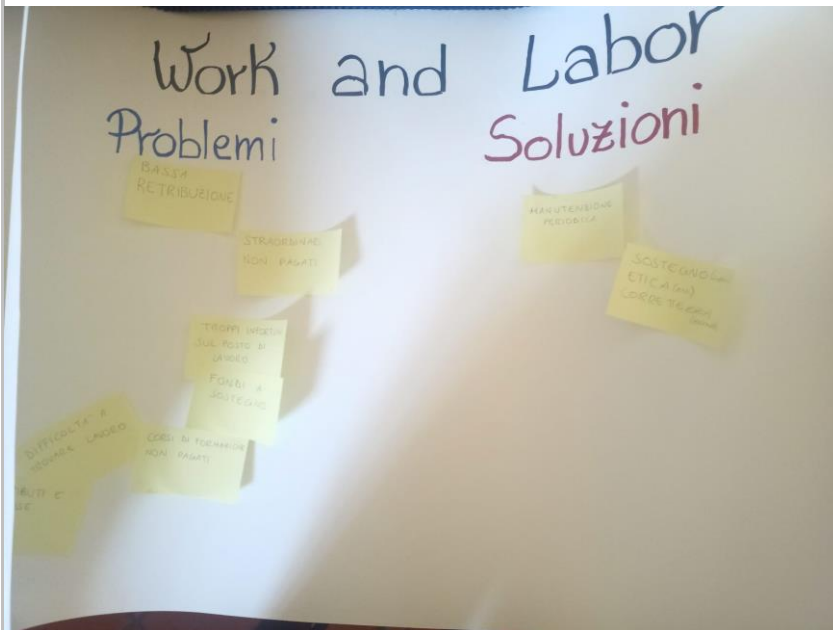
- Barriers to movement on European soil
- Gender inequality
- Unpaid internships
- Not sustainable behaviour
- Housing issue
- The discrimination and lack of LGBTQI+ rights
- Discrimination against minorities
- School/educational system
- Poor activation of institutions on policies that can counter climate change.

Secondly, the youth were divided into different groups according to bigger categories namely:

1. HUMAN RIGHTS, POLITICAL PARTICIPATION, MEDIA & DEMOCRACY
2. ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION, ANIMAL RIGHTS & CLIMATE CRISIS
3. HEALTHCARE AND SOCIAL ISSUES
4. MIGRATION AND MOBILITY
5. SPARE TIME AND CONSUMPTION ISSUES
6. WORK AND LABOR
7. EDUCATION

Furthermore, the participants starting from larger categories of issues were able to discuss about problems and solution.

For example: youth identified means of transportation a problem linked to the Climate Change. *Indeed, people often prefer to move by car from point A to point B polluting much more than if they used bicycles or public transportation. One solution identified is the enhancement of public transportation and change of urban planning.*



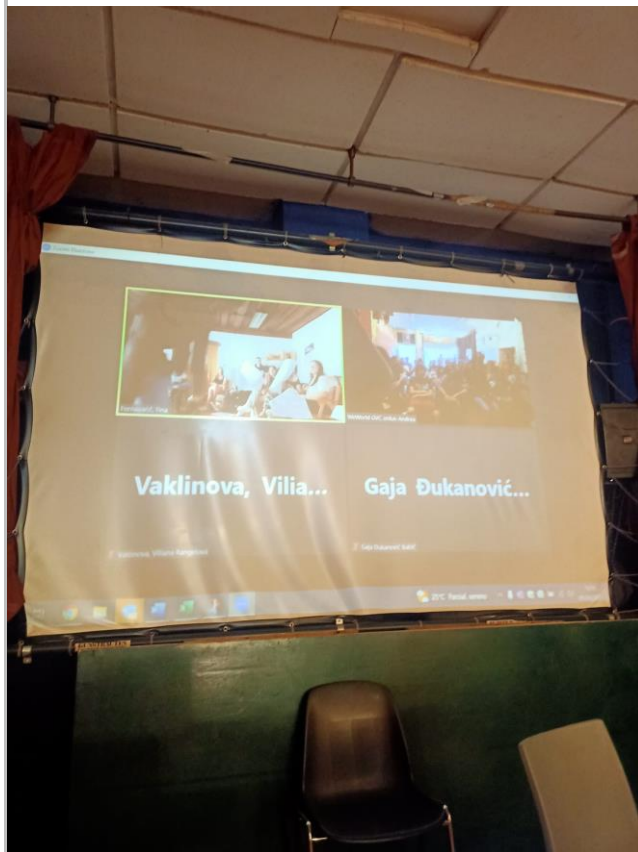
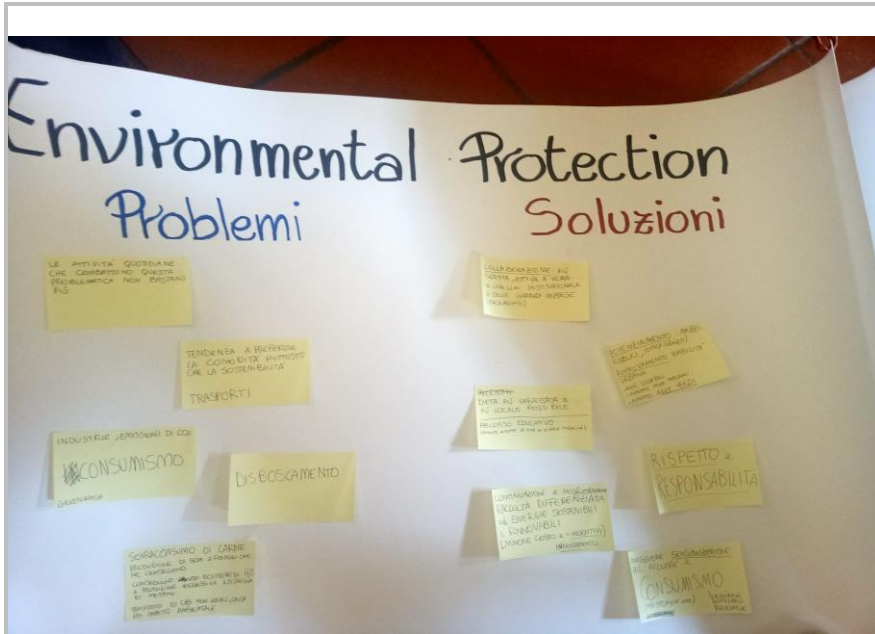
At the end of discussion in different groups the youth found the following list of topics they want to bring in the next European Conferences:

- **MIGRATION:**
 - Migration policies
 - Integration
- **CLIMATE CHANGE:**
 - Animal Rights (destroyed habitats, animal consumption)
 - Environment protection (transportation, deforestation...)
- **EDUCATION:**

- Evaluation system
- Self-managed spaces
- **WORK:**
 - Low income
 - Difficulty finding a job



Afterwards there was a time of sharing what they discussed, about 30-40 minutes, (through online meeting) with the Slovenian youth. Hence, the youth shared what had already been done, in their respective countries, in the previous phases of the project. Moreover, the participants exchanged some ideas on the topics, wishes and demands, that they would like to use to create the Manifesto.





Finally, a small walking tour was organized in the neighbourhood of Vag61, called Cirenica. The tour was guided by a local association with a great network in the whole country called *Resistenze in Cirenica (Resistances in Cirenica)*. Resistances in Cirenica is an association that aims to make the Cirenica neighborhood a laboratory of historical memory, with the goal to bring a reflection on the names that bear our streets and squares by questioning the importance that onomastics.

This neighbourhood has a strong importance for the city Remembrance of the Resistance. In the 30's it was named after the colonial enterprise of Mussolini's Italy, and after the Second World War all the streets were renamed after partisans. The walking tour was an occasion to reflect on the history of Italian Resistance in order to be effective in changing the future, but it also showed how toponymy can be a political tool. Moreover, it was also an opportunity to understand how much the places where we live have a long history behind, which it is important we reconnect with.



Following the National Conference, youth were invited to participate to an event realised in the frame of the DEAR project #ClimateOfChange, at Vag61. It represented a chance for youth to keep discussing on global issues, such as climate change, and political participation. The event, titled “*Giustizia Climatica: L'importanza della partecipazione politica*” (“Climate Justice: The importance of political participation”), saw an open debate among activists, civil society, and scholars.

It was an excellent time for reflection and discussion that was fully appreciated by the youth.

EVALUATIONS

At the end of the Conference, it has been asked at the participants to fill out the questionnaire to analyse the impact of the activity.

The results tend to be positive.



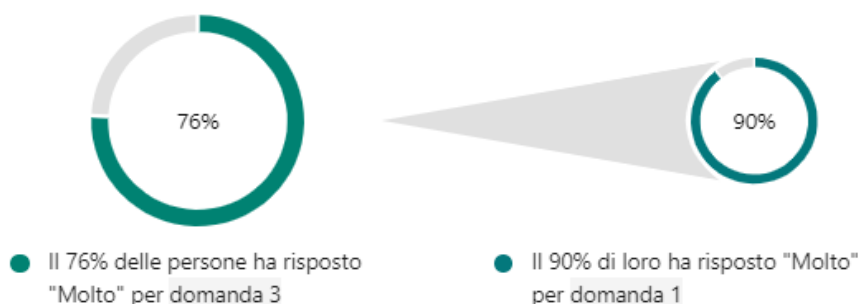
Questionario Valutazione della conferenza del progetto **#MyRevolution**

1. In generale, sei soddisfatt@ della tua partecipazione alla conferenza? *

- Per niente
- Poco
- Abbastanza
- Molto

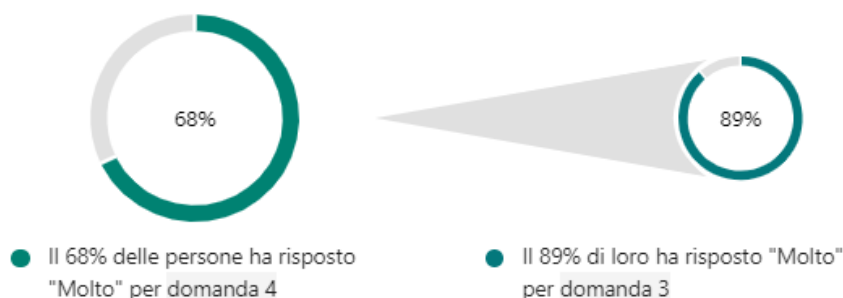
Indeed 76% answered “Enough” to the question “Did you like the activity which you have participated?” and the last 24% answered “Very”.

76% delle persone ha risposto **Molto** per questa domanda e la maggioranza ha risposto “**Molto**” alla domanda 1.



Moreover 68% of the participants answered “Very” to the question “Do you feel you received interesting stimuli on the themes of 'the event (rights, participation, activism)?”

68% delle persone ha risposto **Molto** per questa domanda e la maggioranza ha risposto "**Molto**" alla domanda 3.



Finally, the 76% of youth at the question “Do you feel that participation in the workshop has increased your level of awareness and critical understanding of the issues addressed?” answered “Very”.

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In conclusion, the experience of the participants was positive, and the comments all revolve around the benefit they derived from it. The only negative point observed in the questionnaire evaluation is the short time to discuss the issues.

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HISTORY OF CHANGES		
VERSION	PUBLICATION DATE	CHANGE
1.0	01.04.2022	Initial version (new MFF).