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| Short overview of your organisation (key activities, experience) | Epralima is situated in the small picturesque town of Arcos de Valdevez, Portugal, conveniently situated between the cities of Oporto and Vigo (Spain) and close to the coastal towns of the Atlantic Ocean.  Epralima is a cooperative organization, composed by institutions deeply solidified within the social, economic, cultural and local levels, namely, the municipalities of Arcos de Valdevez and Ponte da Barca, the Northwestern Agricultural Mutual Credit Bank, the Commercial and Industrial Association of Arcos de Valdevez and Ponte da Barca, Artelima\_Alto Lima’s Academy of Arts and the Arcuense Heritage Study Group.  The goals of EPRALIMA are as follows:   * Prepare youths towards the exercise of a qualified profession; * Develop mechanisms in which Epralima and the local economic, professional and cultural institutions and associations can create better relationships; * Provide trainees with professional experience and contact with the labour market, preparing them for an adequate socio-economic insertion.   Epralima has actively participated in many European projects financed by the EU. We took part in EU projects financed by the following EU Programmes: Leonardo da Vinci, Socrates, Grundtvig and European Commission Employment, Social Affairs and Equal Opportunities DG (Equal Programme). |
| Description of the project | |
| Strand, Measure in the framework of “Europe for Citizens” Programme (e.g. European Remembrance; Civil Society Project; Town Twining)? | **EUROPE FOR CITIZENS**  **Strand2: Democratic engagement and civic participation**  **2.3: Civil Society Projects** |
| Timetable of the project | From 01-03-2020 to 31-07-2021 (18 months) |
| Short description of the project, including its aims | The project intends to provide a holistic approach on the promotion of active citizenship in the school environment, promoting the full involvement of students in their local communities, through the development of solidarity activities in favour of the issue of refugees and immigrants. These activities will be carried out on a voluntary basis by the students, who, under the guidance of the teachers, will identify the causes from which they will develop their personal volunteer project. For this purpose, the following working phases will be carried out: research, planning and preparation, action, sharing and reflection.  Aims:   * To understand the multiculturalism in the contemporary world, the concepts of territorial identity, culture, ethnicity, language, religion; techniques, uses and customs, acculturation, globalization, racism, xenophobia and multiculturalism, as well as link the human rights to the construction of inclusive societies, and recognize solidarity as a vector for promoting the values of social diversity. * Recognise the value and real meaning of the European Union's motto 'United in diversity'; * Identify the rights, duties and values as European citizens. * To value solidarity in building a more cohesive Europe. * To give importance to mobility, the learning of other languages, cultures and traditions; * To create awareness of the role of major migratory movements and their importance in the process of integration of European citizens and for the affirmation of European identity. |
| Role of the partner organisation in the project | We need partner to collaborate actively in the project, namely in the following activities:   * Transnational Immersion Training. * International Seminar "The European Union of Citizens: An Europe for All? * Pilot implementation in schools "Youth for a cause". * International Exchange / Project Awards. |
| Comments from the applicant | We are open to any suggestion.  Availability to cooperate actively in the proposal will be welcomed. |