

## OBJECTIVES

Strengthen the capacity of Local Authorities (LAs) and Civil Society Organisations (CSOs) to act in a sustainable way as drivers for development, fostering their role of multipliers

Enhance and increase the action of LAs in EU DEAR policies special reference to the EU Neighboring area

Develop & reinforce the cooperation between LAs & CSOs

Inform & engage citizens in global issues

Improve DEAR methods in non-formal education

## Background information

### What is DEAR?

DEAR stands for Development Education and Awareness Raising and aims at:

- informing EU citizens about development issues
- mobilising greater public support for action against poverty
- providing citizens with tools to engage critically with global development issues
- foster new ideas and changing attitudes towards global challenges

The EU has dedicated a specific program to reach these objectives, the DEAR programme which supports actions and projects on DEAR, implemented by civil society actors and local authorities in EU and acceding countries. For further information, see European Commission dedicated portal to DEAR: [https://ec.europa.eu/euro-peaceid/sectors/human-rights-and-governance/development-education-and-awareness-raising\\_en](https://ec.europa.eu/euro-peaceid/sectors/human-rights-and-governance/development-education-and-awareness-raising_en)

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LADDER website

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# LADDER

LOCAL AUTHORITIES AS DRIVERS FOR DEVELOPMENT  
EDUCATION AND RAISING AWARENESS

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## Local for Global

Local Authorities & Civil Society as  
**MULTIPLIERS**  
to raise awareness  
and engage  
**CITIZENS**

**Promoting Development  
Education & Awareness  
Raising (DEAR)**



## ABOUT LADDER

LADDER, a 3-year project co-funded by the EU, seeks to enhance the action of Local Authorities for Development Education and Raising Awareness in the EU & the European Neighborhood. **Local Authorities, in cooperation with Civil Society, have a considerable multiplier capacity and become drivers for change.**

The final beneficiaries of LADDER are ordinary citizens, enhancing their awareness on global issues (short term), promoting their engagement in global challenges & poverty eradication (mid term) & leading to a change of attitudes (long term).

In addition to all its activities of capacity building and awareness raising across the countries involved (both EU & non-EU), LADDER has also 6 thematic priorities and 3 geographical dimensions (in addition to the actions at EU level) in which local actors are set to work on, as follows: **Thematic Paths** and **Geographical Paths**.

**Fourty six stakeholders:** 26 partners & 20 associates, coming from 18 EU and 17 non EU-countries are part of LADDER

### Three Geographical Paths:

- MED Mediterranean area,
- South Eastern Europe,
- Eastern Partnership

### Six Thematic Paths:

- Youth in development,
- Migration,
- Citizens' participation in development,
- Public-private cooperation in development,
- Environmental and sustainable development,
- European Year for Development & follow up

One major challenge:  
Development Education &  
Awareness Raising (DEAR)

36 months of work:  
The project started in  
January 2015 and will  
end in December 2017



## CO-APPLICANTS

**Co-Applicants:** they are members of the consortium and are actively involved in the design and implementation of the actions  
**Associates:** actively contributing and participating to LADDER's implementation

**ALDA** [leader] European Association for Local Democracy France

**Foster Europe** Foundation for strong European Regions Austria

**JEF** Young European Federalists Belgium

**ENNA** European Network of National Civil Society Associations Belgium

**UBBSLA** Union of Bulgarian Black Sea Local Authorities Bulgaria

**NAMRB** National Association of Municipalities in the Republic of Bulgaria Bulgaria

**CAC** Croatian Association of Counties Croatia

**Velje** Municipality of Vejle Denmark

**AFCCRE** French Association of the Council of European Municipalities and Regions France

**NALAG** National Association of Local Authorities of Georgia Georgia

**AMPHICTYONY** EGTC Amphictyony Greece

**Donegal** Donegal County Council Ireland

**TECLA** Associazione per la cooperazione transregionale locale ed europea Italy

**CIME** Consiglio Italiano del Movimento Europeo Italy

**COPPEM** Comitato Permanente per il Partenariato Euromediterraneo delle Autorità Locali e delle Regioni Italy

**Progettarte** Progettarte Associazione culturale Italy

**LALRG** Latvian Association of Local and Regional Authorities Latvia

**SOS Malta** Solidarity Overseas Service Malta Malta

**Birgu Local Council** Birgu Local Council Malta

**URC** Union of Rural Communes of the Republic of Poland Poland

**SKGO** Standing Conference of Towns and Municipalities Serbia

**CEEEN** Central and Eastern European Citizens Network Slovakia

**UTCS** Union of Towns and Cities of Slovakia Slovakia

**SLOGA** Slovenian Global Action Slovenia

**The Hague Academy** The Hague Academy for Local Governance Netherlands

**Lam Echaml** Lam Echaml Association Tunisia

## ASSOCIATES

**ADD-Medenine** Association pour le Développement Durable Tunisia

**AAM** Albanian Association of Municipalities Albania

**FACM** Algerian Forum for Citizenship and Modernity Algeria

**ALI** Agency for Legislative Initiatives (Лабораторія законодавчих ініціатив) Ukraine

**AMR** Romanian Municipalities Association Romania

**AKM** Association of Kosovo Municipalities Kosovo\*

**ALAL** Association of Local Authorities in Lithuania Lithuania

**BINA** NGO Alliance for Municipality Development Azerbaijan

**CALM** Congress of Local Authorities from Moldova Moldova

**North-South Centre** North-South Centre of the Council of Europe Portugal

**CFOA** Communities Finance Officers Association Armenia

**CIRa** Center for Institutional Development FYROM

**CISP** Comitato Internazionale per lo Sviluppo dei Popoli Italy

**Civicus** World Alliance for Citizen Participation South Africa

**CLRA - CoE** Congress of Local and Regional Authorities, Council of Europe France

**Lev Sapieha** NGO Lev Sapieha Foundation Belarus

**REMESS** Réseau Marocain de l'Économie Sociale et Solidaire Morocco

**SEEN** South East European Youth Network Bosnia-Herzegovina

**SHATIL** New Israel Fund - Shatil Israel

**MMU** Marmara Municipalities Union Turkey

