EVENT DESCRIPTION SHEET

PROJECT	
Participant:	[7] – [EI KOSKAAN ELAKKEELLE RY, ALDRIG I PENSION RF] ([EKEry])
PIC number:	[923087988]
Project name and acronym:	[WASTE - Working for a Society Through Environment] — [WASTE]

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EVENT DESCRIPTION		
Event number:	[5]	
Event name:	[Fifth International Event "WASTE Partnership Declaration: future challenges and perspectives"]	
Type:	[International Event]	
In situ/online:	[in-situ]	
Location:	[Finland], [Lahti]	
Date(s):	From 18/08/2024 to 22/08/2024	
Website(s) (if any):	https://wastenetwork.wordpress.com/2024/08/31/fifth-international- event-in-finland/	
Participants		
Female:	108	
Male:	96	
Non-binary:	0	
From country 1 [Poland]:	40	
From country 2 [Italy]:	36	
From country 3 [Malta]:	20	
From country 4 [Lithuania]:	24	
From country 5 [Lettonia]:	16	
From country 6 [Finland]:	36	
From country 7 [Czech Republic]:	16	
From country 8 [Cyprus]:	16	
From country 9 [Ireland]:	0	

Total number of participants: 204 From total number of countries: 8

Description

Provide a short description of the event and its activities.

DAY 1:

Arrival of the delegations, meeting with the local volunteers, introduction to the contents of the event and to the topic of the event; Integrational activities in Lahti city center

DAY 2:

Visit to the Kujala waste management center and seminar about waste management in Finland, Lahti Region by Ms. Päivi Oksanen.

Visit to the Lahti city center, winter olympic games center and observation tower.

DAY 3

Visit to the Patina Recycling center and second-hand shop - meeting with Ms. Katja Ålander

on the topic "Recycling and circular economy activities in Lahti".

In the afternoom the delegates gathered at the Ski Museum in Lahti for the workshop "Future themes of cooperation", where each partner presented their experiece during WASTE project and shared the main wishes for future action in the field of sustainability and green transition. Proposals for further actions in the Network of Towns or Erasmus+ frameworks have been forwarded. Ms. Jaana Kuula's (City of Heinola) enriched the workshop with a presentation on national and regional measures in recycling by the cities of Lahti and Heinola

Gift exchange ceremony

DAY 4

Activities at Salpaus Further Education school in Lahti, where Ms. Elisa Hassinen presented the VET education system in Finland and the projects on sustainable buildings and circular economy in the construction field in which the school has been participating.

Following, a seminar engaged the participant in sharing their key learning point acquired from the WASTE project and in the draft of the final WASTE Partnership declaration "Future Challenges and perspectives" through a group work activity.

In the evening the group moved to the Asikkala Salpaus Campus to take part in traditional Finnish activities such as fishing and rowing in a «church boat».

Day 5

Greetings ceremony and departure of delegations.

The Fifth International Event applied green and sustainable strategies such as transfers from Helsinki Airport to Lahti and back made by train instead than by bus, promotion of the use of water flasks instead of buying bottled water, no food waste approach to meals.

The activities achieved the following results:

- -Foster the friendship among the Partners;
- -Debate the future challenges and cooperation fields;
- -Active commitment in the debate, contrasting passive listening

- -Drafting of project's partnership declaration;
- -Visit to local best practices (Kujala waste management center and Patina Second Hand shop)
- -Active commitment in the debate, contrasting passive listening
- -Fostering of intercultural dialogue and mutual comprehension.
- -Exchange of experiences, wishes and recommendations for future action.
- -Look at the future with more awareness of the roles and duties of being a European citizen;
- -Look at the future of Europe to build the basis for brand new exchanges in the framework of the Union policies.

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