

Developing Effective Policies for migrants and refugees through SAT-based policy making processes/DEPART Project Code: 101038211

## The project

The problem of increased participation of migrants in the design and implementation of integration policies is shared among many EU Member States.

The DEPART project, funded by the European Union's Asylum, Migration and Integration Fund, aims, in this regard, to strengthen the awareness of migrants themselves but also of policy makers on the importance of a more participatory approach through the creation of Self advocacy teams.

SAT, in fact, embodies self-advocacy and the self-organization of the communities as linked to the local social fabric; it also succeeds in giving migrants a voice with the goal of influencing, engaging and informing policy makers through direct feedback of their needs, issues and contributions to the local community.

Depart is aimed to facilitate the inclusion of migrants and refugees in 4 areas of Europe (Piraeus-GR, Avezzano- IT, Girona-SP and Oborishte-BG), through the establishment of a structured and formalized way to consult migrants on policies following the Self advocacy team model.

As with the other European partners, a first phase will consist in recruiting migrants for the creation of the SATs; in the municipality of Avezzano, Cooperativa Leonardo will provide training for future SAT members (in-person or online, for a total of 30 hours) and will concretely provide useful tools to migrant people who want to participate in the selection process.

In a second step, policymakers will be involved; they will also be trained and informed about the innumerable benefits of a more sensitive and truly inclusive approach to local policymaking for the needs of migrant communities.

This preparatory phase, that is to say the creation of SATs and their training together with policy makers, represents only the beginning for an effective promotion of the needs of migrant communities on the territory.

Successively, in fact, the goal will be to implement a real co-design of inclusive policies by reaching out the policymakers through ad hoc meetings, to identify realistic issues that can be addressed, to assist migrants on self-advocacy, and finally to deliver to the countries involved in the project a holistic methodology that can promote the design and inclusion of migrants in the context of integration policies.

## What can you do

Are you a migrant? Do you live in Avezzano and want to give voice to the needs of you and your community? Are you planning to be part of the Avezzano Sat?

Fill out the application form below and send it no lather than 11/15/2022 to Leonardo Cooperative at the following addresses: leonardoprogettisociali@pec.it email and amministrativo@leonardoprogettisociali.it.

What are you waiting for? Apply to be part of the Avezzano SAT and make your rights visible!



















