

## EVENT DESCRIPTION SHEET

| PROJECT                          |   |
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| <b>Participant:</b>              | 1. APS ASSOUTENTI (AU), Italy<br>2. SDRUZHENIE BULGARSKA NATSIONALNA ASOTSIATSIYA AKTIVNI POTREBITELI (BNAAP), Bulgaria<br>3. CENTRUL PENTRU PROMOVAREA INVATARII PERMANENTE TIMISOARA ASOCIATIA (CPIP), Romania<br>4. CROMO KOZHASZNU ALAPITVANY (CROMO), Hungary<br>5. DIMIOURGIKI SKEPSI ANAPTYXIS (CRE.THI.DEV), Greece<br>6. ISTITUTO EUROPEO PER LO SVILUPPO SOCIO ECONOMICO ASSOCIAZIONE (ISES), Italy |
| <b>PIC number:</b>               | 1. PIC 898166651<br>2. PIC 938217757<br>3. PIC 950602620<br>4. PIC 949523883<br>5. PIC 942801977<br>6. PIC 948848666  |
| <b>Project name and acronym:</b> | [WE-DEMOCRACY – No one left behind – Empowering citizens to participate in democratic processes]  |

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| <b>Event number:</b>        | WP8   |
| <b>Event name:</b>          | We-Democracy digital dashboard  |
| <b>Type:</b>                | International meeting   |
| <b>In situ/online:</b>      | Online  |
| <b>Location:</b>            | Online  |
| <b>Date(s):</b>             | 14.11.2024 – 17.02.2025   |
| <b>Website(s) (if any):</b> | <a href="https://www.wedemocracy-project.eu">https://www.wedemocracy-project.eu</a> |
| Participants                |   |
| Female:                     | 172   |
| Male:                       | 156   |
| Non-binary:                 | 0   |
| From country 1 Italy:       | 76  |
| From country 2 Bulgaria :   | 86  |
| From country 3 Greece :     | 58  |

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| From country 4 Hungary:       | 53  |                                 |   |
| From country 5 Romania:       | 55  |                                 |   |
| Total number of participants: | 328 | From total number of countries: | 5 |

### Description

*Provide a short description of the event and its activities.*

Such event was organised in two different moments.

On November 14, 2023 partners invited citizens in the event to present the crowdsourcing platform developed within the project presenting the different areas of discussion emerged during the phase of the “social listening” in order to invite them to participate in the different “rooms” of discussion.

The platform chosen to host ours has been Your Priorities, an open source platform which is an online idea generation and deliberation platform that connects governments & nonprofits with citizens. Your Priorities has been used to improve decision-making in thousands of projects in 45 countries by over 2 million people since 2008.

The page dedicated to We-Democracy project is: <https://we-democracy.yrpri.org/community/10022>

On February 17, 2025 the event was organised to debate the results of the different discussions on the platform especially those ones promoted by the citizens themselves.

The event brought together a diverse and engaged audience interested in e-democracy and sustainability. Participants included policymakers, researchers, environmental activists, entrepreneurs, and citizens passionate about circular economy principles. This wide range of stakeholders fostered dynamic discussions and contributed to a rich exchange of ideas.

Through the (W)E-democracy platform, participants engaged in meaningful conversations about the impact and future of circular economy policies. The event highlighted how social listening, as implemented through the Digital Dashboard, could amplify public voices and provide valuable insights for decision-makers. Discussions focused on key topics such as waste reduction, sustainable consumption, circular business models, and policy frameworks that promote sustainability.

The interactive nature of the platform allowed users to share their perspectives, respond to others’ insights, and collaborate on potential solutions. Unlike traditional monitoring approaches, the social listening methodology used in this project enabled a deeper understanding of public sentiment, detecting patterns, concerns, and innovative ideas from a broad audience. Participants particularly appreciated the transparency and inclusiveness of the process, reinforcing the role of digital tools in fostering democratic participation.

One of the most significant takeaways from the event was the seamless integration of social listening with crowdsourcing. This combination allowed for a more comprehensive view of citizens’ opinions beyond those already engaged in structured consultations. The Digital Dashboard effectively captured public conversations while ensuring ethical data collection and privacy protection, setting a new standard for responsible digital engagement.

Overall, the event showcased how digital tools like the (W)E-democracy platform enhance participatory governance by creating a space where citizens can actively contribute to shaping policies. The success of this initiative underscores the potential of technology to bridge the gap between policymakers and the public, making decision-making more inclusive, data-driven, and reflective of societal needs.