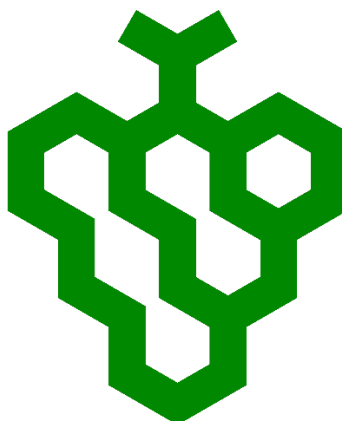


6-MONTHS TECHNICAL PROGRESS REPORT



GRAPE

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1. PROJECT SUMMARY

The project GRAPE, *Local Social Green Action Plan for small and peripheral territories* involves 4 small Municipalities throughout Europe, Malegno (IT), Mirabella Imbaccari (IT), Bonares (ES), Sifnos (EL), supported by 4 social economy actors, Sol.Co Camunia (Malegno), Fondazione di Comunità di Messina (Mirabella Imbaccari), COOPINTE (Bonares), Wind of Renewal (Sifnos) and two networks, FAECTA and REVES. Such Consortium is led by Fondazione di Comunità di Messina. The territory of Mirabella Imbaccari, Sifnos and Bonares will host three Social Economy mission.

GRAPE addresses the theme “Green and digital transition through social economy at regional and local level” with the aim of building resilience and increasing the capacity of regional or local public administrations, social economy SMEs and civil society to overcome difficulties and crises through: a) transnational and inter-regional peer-learning and collaboration in the field of social economy, b) developing social economy local action plans with the cooperation of social economy stakeholders and c) formulating recommendations to be potentially replicable in other parts of Europe.

Therefore, the specific objectives for the 4 target territories under the GRAPE project are:

- Share and compare social, green and digital best practices and innovations in common thematic areas like sustainable agriculture, sustainable energy communities, circular and social economy, etc., which could contribute to the development of local community welfare models and resilient communities;
- Identify and apply practical tools like social and green impact assessment, TSR methodology, etc. to better analyse local strengths, weaknesses, opportunities and threats of the local communities in the present context;
- Cooperate together in the drafting of 4 Local Social Green Resilience Action Plans (LSGRAP) to drive the green and digital transition, one for each territory, engaging local authorities, social economy enterprises and structured civil society associations and initiatives;
- Share the experience with other local authorities in Europe by issuing 1 policy paper and implementing 1 European digital toolkit for small local authorities to support the development of LSGRAPs in their territories.

The project has kicked-off in May 2022 and will end by October 2023. It is structured in three different phases: in the first phase (WP2), 3 Social Economy missions (SEM) will be organised in Mirabella Imbaccari, Sifnos and Bonares, hosting each time the representatives of all partners. The consortium will use peer learning methodology and case study methodology to lay the foundations for the cooperation between partners and territories.

The second phase (WP3), then, will involve all partners to build local social green resilience action plan in the 4 target territories, taking advantage of the inputs developed during the SEMs.

The third phase (WP4) of the project is the co-construction of a European digital toolkit for small municipalities interested in the cooperation with social economy actors to develop together participatory local action plans for social, green and digital transition to boost territorial resilience. Finally, a policy paper with recommendation will be issued to support small territories in drafting local resilience plans, learning from the experience of the GRAPE project.

2. PROJECT PROGRESS AND ACHIEVEMENTS

2.1 Work progress and achievements during the reporting period.

In the first semester, project activities focused on the implementation of Work Package 1 and Work Package 2. Following, a brief review of the different tasks started. The tasks which have not started yet are not listed.

Work Package 1: Coordination, financial management, quality management and communication-dissemination

Task 1.1: Coordination

Overall management, financial management, project reporting, interim reports and quality management have been carried out.

The following documents relating to the reporting period have been produced and shared among partners:

- Project Management Plan with Budget guide and reporting templates (D1.1);
- Consortium Agreement (D1.4).

The present interim report (D1.2) has been also finalized.

Task 1.2: Kick-off and first coordination meeting (virtual)

On the 11th May the virtual kick-off was organized to address: description and planning of activities, budget guidelines, distribution of tasks, SEM framework, GANTT.

Task 1.5: Communication strategy and implementation

The following activities have been carried out: publication of Communication and Dissemination Plan, publication of posts on social media and website of partners, creation of a dedicated web page on the web site of lead partner. For a more detailed description see paragraph 3.5

Work Package 2: SSE Missions (SEM)

Task 2.1: Common framework for SSE missions

Publication of the common framework for the 3 missions (D2.1), describing the general structure of contents of each Mission.

Task 2.2: First SSE mission (Mirabella Imbaccari_IT)

As preparatory material, all partner communities drafted and shared a Background Paper to introduce their local context, SWOT analysis, the local SSE innovations and best practice cases, following a common template.

The specific Mission objectives achieved were:

- to know each other, being the first opportunity for partners to meet on person;
- to analyze and compare strengths, weaknesses, opportunities and threats of the local

communities;

- to identify the common thematic priorities for partners in their transition process towards a more sustainable development;
- to share and compare social, green and digital best practices and innovations supporting such transition;
- to explore potential synergies and possibilities for cooperation;
- to start reasoning about LSGRAP structure and drafting process;
- to get to know the specificities and best practices in the community of Mirabella.

A dedicated mission report was published (D2.2)

Task 2.3: Second SSE mission (Sifnos_EL)

As preparatory material, all partner communities drafted and shared, following a common template, the Initiatives' Details paper, a document describing into details the local initiatives for social and green transition, focusing on the common thematic priorities identified during the first mission.

The specific Mission objectives achieved were:

- get to know the specificities and best practices in the community of Sifnos;
- deeper sharing of best practices/projects among partners, through dedicated one-to-one meetings;
- first brainstorming on the LSGRAP process.

A dedicated mission report was published (D2.3)

Task 2.4: Third SSE mission (Bonares_ES)

As preparatory material, a detailed Framework For The Construction Of Participatory Action Plans was drafted and shared, based on the result of the first brainstorming in Sifnos, describing in details all the steps of the process to create an LSGRAP.

The document will be the basis of discussions for the Mission, which will take place in mid-November (see paragraph 3.2).

Work Package 3: LOCAL SOCIAL GREEN RESILIENCE ACTION PLANS

Tasks 3.2-3.5: LSGRAP 1-4

Based on the discussions on the LSGRAP process during the first two missions, all partner communities started to reason about how to implement locally the process. This item will be further discussed during the last Mission in Bonares.

2.2 Deliverables and GANTT overview

Following, the list of project deliverables to be delivered in the first semester and the updated project Gantt.

WP	Del. No.	Del. name	Description	Due date	Delivery date
1	1.1	Budget guide and reporting templates	Digital docs on google drive	30/06/22	30/06/22
1	1.2	Interim report 1	6-month narrative and financial report	31/10/22	01/11/22
1	1.4	Consortium agreement	Consortium agreement between beneficiaries	31/05/22	20/06/22

2	2.1	Framework for SSE missions	Common framework for SSE missions' organisation	30/06/22	30/06/22
2	2.2	SEM report- Mirabella	Report of mission to Mirabella	31/07/22	31/07/22
2	2.3	SEM report- Sifnos	Report of mission to Sifnos	30/09/22	30/09/22
2	2.4	SEM report- Bonares	Report of mission to Bonares	30/10/22	30/10/22
3	3.1	Framework for local social green resilience action plans (LSGRAPs)	Common framework for drafting of LSGRAPs	31/10/22	01/11/22

ACTIVITY	M 1	M 2	M 3	M 4	M 5	M 6	M 7	M 8	M 9	M 10	M 11	M 12	M 13	M 14	M 15	M 16	M 17	M 18
	T 1.1 Coordination	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓											
T 1.2 Kick off		✓																
T 1.3 Coord. Meeting						x												
T 1.4 Coord. Meeting																		
T 1.5 Communication		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓												
T 1.6 Capitalization																		
T 1.7 Coo-Final Seminar																		
T 2.1 Guide SM-LP	✓	✓																
T 2.2 SSE Mission 1		✓																
T 2.3 SSE Mission 2				✓														
T 2.4 SSE Mission 3						x												
T 3.1 CFW LSGRAPs		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓												
T 3.2 LSGRAP 1						✓												
T 3.3 LSGRAP 2						✓												
T 3.4 LSGRAP 3						✓												
T 3.5 LSGRAP 4						✓												
T 3.6 Evaluation LSGRAP process																		
T 4.1 Design Toolkit																		
T 4.2 Contents Dev.																		
T 4.3 Test Feedback																		

Legend:

- ✓ activity carried out as planned
- * activity postponed (see paragraph 3.2)

3. PROJECT MANAGEMENT

In the following paragraph we propose an overview of Consortium activities' management concerning staff and budget changes, deviations from work plan, budget overview, communication and dissemination of results for the first semester.

3.1 Staff changes in the Consortium.

Most partners have completed the project staff during the first semester.

The first changes were proposed and accepted on June the 30th. They involved the following partners and additional staff:

- REVES: Elisa Mancinelli, project manager and evaluator;
- COOPINTE: Andres Navarro Tejero joins the project as member of the Management Board of COOPINTE;
- MUNICIPALITY OF MALEGNO: Paolo Erba joins the project as Mayor of the Municipality; Valentina Ballerini joins the project as volunteer for the Municipality;
- MUNICIPALITY OF SIFNOS: Nykos Chrysinis joins the project as president of Sifnos city council.

Further changes were proposed and accepted on September the 20th. They involved the following partners:

- MUNICIPALITY OF MIRABELLA: David Granato joins the project as Deputy Mayor;
- MUNICIPALITY OF MALEGNO: Alessia Ottelli joins the project as volunteer for the Municipality;
- FONDAZIONE DI COMUNITA' DI MESSINA: Giulia Miotti, project manager;
- MUNICIPALITY OF SIFNOS: Athanasios Polydoros (public finance accountant); Catherine Kanakari (engaged in international projects for the preservation and promotion of cultural and natural heritage in Cycladic islands); Evangelos Tsakalos (researcher engaged in prediction and modelling of coastal zone changes);

3.2 Deviation from work plan

A half-month deadline extension for WP2 - T 2.4 (third mission SSE Mission) was requested and approved. SSE Mission to Bonares (Spain) will therefore take place in month 7, from the 14th to the 17th of November, instead of month 6. Accordingly, also T

1.3, the second Coordination Meeting, to be held during the last mission, has been postponed. The extension was requested in order to have more time to prepare the needed preparatory material.

3.3 Budget changes

The partner REVES internalized the expertise needed to implement the digital toolkit: new staff, Elisa Mancinelli, was added to staff list as A.2. Much lower amount was then request for subcontracting.

3.4 Budget overview

Following, a table summarizing estimations of expenses from month 1 to month 6 (May-October 2022).

	INITIAL BUDGET	TOTAL SPENT	BUDGET LEFT
	€ 201.497	€ 55.395	€ 146.102
Fondazione di Comunità di Messina	€ 35.705	€ 12.388	€ 23.317
STAFF COSTS	€ 25.665	€ 6.928	€ 18.737
SUBCONTRACTING	€ 4.000	€ 0	€ 4.000
TRAVEL	€ 3.040	€ 2.521	€ 519
OTHER GOODS, WORKS AND SERVICES	€ 3.000	€ 2.939	€ 61
Municipality of Mirabella Imbaccari	€ 16.100	€ 1.128	€ 14.972
STAFF COSTS	€ 13.060	€ 520	€ 12.540
SUBCONTRACTING	€ 0	0	€ 0
TRAVEL	€ 3.040	€ 608	€ 2.432
OTHER GOODS, WORKS AND SERVICES	€ 0	0	€ 0
COOPINTE	€ 14.470	€ 4.080	€ 10.390
STAFF COSTS	€ 5.950	€ 1.190	€ 4.760
SUBCONTRACTING	€ 4.000	0	€ 4.000
TRAVEL	€ 1.520	€ 2.890	-€ 1.370
OTHER GOODS, WORKS AND SERVICES	€ 3.000	€ 0	€ 3.000
Municipality of Bonares	€ 17.920	€ 7.416	€ 10.504
STAFF COSTS	€ 14.880	€ 3.601	€ 11.279
SUBCONTRACTING	€ 0	0	€ 0
TRAVEL	€ 3.040	€ 3.815	-€ 775
OTHER GOODS, WORKS AND SERVICES	€ 0	0	€ 0
Wind of Renewal	€ 23.240	€ 6.254	€ 16.986
STAFF COSTS	€ 13.200	€ 4.910	€ 8.290
SUBCONTRACTING	€ 4.000	262,8	€ 3.737

TRAVEL	€ 3.040	1080,9	€ 1.959
OTHER GOODS, WORKS AND SERVICES	€ 3.000	€ 0	€ 3.000
Municipality of Sifnos	€ 16.060	€ 1.650	€ 14.410
STAFF COSTS	€ 13.020	€ 792	€ 12.228
SUBCONTRACTING	€ 0	0	€ 0
TRAVEL	€ 3.040	€ 858	€ 2.182
OTHER GOODS, WORKS AND SERVICES	€ 0	0	€ 0
Solco Camunia	€ 29.600	€ 4.113	€ 25.487
STAFF COSTS	€ 20.040	€ 3.120	€ 16.920
SUBCONTRACTING	€ 4.000	0	€ 4.000
TRAVEL	€ 4.560	€ 993	€ 3.567
OTHER GOODS, WORKS AND SERVICES	€ 1.000	€ 0	€ 1.000
Municipality of Malegno	€ 13.167	€ 3.709	€ 9.458
STAFF COSTS	€ 8.607	€ 1.962	€ 6.645
SUBCONTRACTING	€ 0	0	€ 0
TRAVEL	€ 4.560	€ 1.746	€ 2.814
OTHER GOODS, WORKS AND SERVICES	€ 0	0	€ 0
FAECTA	€ 10.403	€ 2.850	€ 7.553
STAFF COSTS	€ 8.273	€ 2.088	€ 6.185
SUBCONTRACTING	€ 0	0	€ 0
TRAVEL	€ 2.130	€ 762	€ 1.368
OTHER GOODS, WORKS AND SERVICES	€ 0	0	€ 0
REVES	€ 24.832	€ 11.808	€ 13.024
STAFF COSTS	€ 19.552	€ 10.466	€ 9.086
SUBCONTRACTING	€ 3.000	0	€ 3.000
TRAVEL	€ 2.280	€ 1.342	€ 938
OTHER GOODS, WORKS AND SERVICES	€ 0	0	€ 0

3.5 Communication of activities and dissemination of results

In the first semester of project implementation the Consortium has developed a Communication-dissemination Plan and has shared information and updates concerning project activities and results accordingly. Such news were spread through partners' social media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram) and existing websites.

Communication outputs from month 1 to 6:

PARTNER	WEBSITE	FACEBOOK	TWITTER	INSTAGRAM
FCM	18/07/22 link 22/07/22 link 19/10/22 link	19/07/22 link 19/10/22 link		
MIRABELLA	12/07/22 link 07/10/22 link	12/07/22 link 22/09/22 link 03/10/22 link		
WOR	8/09/22 link 9/09/22 link 9/09/22 link 9/09/22 link 14/09/22 link 20/09/22 link			
SIFNOS	10/05/22 link 20/07/22 link 25/09/22 link			
BONARES	10/10/22 link	10/10/22 link		
COOPINTE		15/09/22 link	15/09/22 link	15/09/22 link
MALEGNO	31/07/22 link 13/10/22 link	14/07/22 link		
SOL.CO	17/09/22 link			
FAECTA	01/08/22 link	03/08/22 link		03/08/22 link
REVES	11/10/22 link		15/07/22 link 23/09/22 link	

4. NEXT STEPS

The next semester of project implementation will be focused on Work Package 3, which consists in the drafting of Local, Social, Green Resilience Action Plans for each partner community.