

## EVENT DESCRIPTION SHEET

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| PROJECT                   |                                                 |
|---------------------------|-------------------------------------------------|
| Participant:              | Felsozsolca Varos Onkormanyzata                 |
| PIC number:               | 926213813                                       |
| Project name and acronym: | GROW - Green Rights and Opportunities for Women |

| EVENT DESCRIPTION        |                                                                                             |
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| Event number:            | 1                                                                                           |
| Event name:              | « GENDER DIMENSIONS OF ENVIRONMENTAL CHALLENGES: SETTING THE STAGE FOR POLICY INTEGRATION » |
| Type:                    | Seminar                                                                                     |
| In situ/online:          | [in-situ]                                                                                   |
| Location:                | Riga, Latvia                                                                                |
| Date(s):                 | 14/04/2026 – 17/04/2026                                                                     |
| Website(s) (if any):     | <a href="https://felsozsolca.hu/">https://felsozsolca.hu/</a>                               |
| Participants             |                                                                                             |
| Female:                  | 76                                                                                          |
| Male:                    | 54                                                                                          |
| Non-binary:              | 0                                                                                           |
| From country 1 Hungary:  | 20                                                                                          |
| From country 2 Latvia:   | 90                                                                                          |
| From country 3 Italy:    | 8                                                                                           |
| From country 4 Poland:   | 6                                                                                           |
| From country 5 Bulgaria: | 2                                                                                           |
| From country 6 Greece:   | 0                                                                                           |
| From country 7 Serbia:   | 2                                                                                           |
| From country 8 Sweden:   | 0                                                                                           |

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| From country 9 Germany:       | 0   |                                 |   |
| From country 10 Slovenia:     | 0   |                                 |   |
| From country 11 Albania:      | 2   |                                 |   |
| Total number of participants: | 130 | From total number of countries: | 7 |

**Description**

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

From 14th to 17th May 2026, the city of Riga hosted the first international event of the European project GROW – Green Rights and Opportunities for Women, funded under the European Union CERV Programme. This initial meeting officially launched the initiative and brought together representatives of municipalities, organizations, and partner institutions from across Europe, under the general coordination of Felsőzsolca Municipality. The official sessions took place on 15 May at the historic headquarters of the Latvian Association of Local and Regional Governments, serving as a crucial milestone to define the methodological, strategic, and operational framework for the entire consortium.

The opening session fostered a deep policy and institutional debate centered on the most pressing ecological and social challenges currently facing European communities, with a specific focus on gender mainstreaming and strategies to counter misinformation and public skepticism regarding sustainability policies. During collaborative workshops, delegates analyzed the EU Gender Equality Strategy and the European Green Deal, highlighting the persistent underrepresentation of women in technical environmental roles, municipal leadership positions, and local decision-making processes. Through a participatory, transnational approach, partners shared their respective local realities and best practices, emphasizing that an equitable green transition cannot succeed without a robust participatory democracy that values women as active promoters and leaders of change.

In addition to the thematic discussion tables, a significant part of the agenda was dedicated to the technical project management and administrative coordination. During these sessions, partners formally established the Project Coordination Committee (PCC), signed the partnership agreements, and carried out detailed planning concerning responsibilities, timelines, and monitoring procedures for the subsequent operational phases. The work was further complemented by intercultural exchange activities and technical site visits, including a guided tour of the Old Town of Riga and an excursion to Jūrmala, which proved essential in building mutual trust, overcoming language barriers, and strengthening the cross-border cooperation network among partners from Italy, Poland, Hungary, Latvia, Serbia, Greece and Bulgaria.

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