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Abstract:	The report summarizes the activities of the Students Spring School which took place in Timisoara in May 2023. Goals of the Spring School was:  - make more tangible the international dimension  - build a community at EU Level  - share knowledge, problems and failures are the keys to find a new way to do things right  - create a space for reflective thinking  - understand the institutional and funding contexts in each of the different countries  - understand the importance of co-design processes  - Find inspiration  Through participatory activities, all the clusters have reached a new dimension of international
	have reached a new dimension of international community through European training.





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### **Meeting purpose**

The Timisoara International School has physically reconnected during one week the students and participants of the EUREKA Training programme, bringing together the urban innovators working on their Urban Living Labs.

## **Spring School Agenda**

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Monday, May 8 <sup>th</sup> 10:00 – 16:00	Partners' Meeting		
10.00 – 10.00	10:00 - 10:30 Program of the week		
	10:30 - 11:00 Deliverables and documents		
	11:00 - 11:30 Administrative and final report		
	11:30 - 11:45 Break		
	11:30 - 12:30 Evaluation and brainstorm of future plans		
	12:30 - 14:00 Lunch break		
	14:00 - 16:00 Board meeting		
16:00 – 17:00	Welcome note		
10.00 17.00	Everyone		
	Objectives of the week, co-creation of the agenda, administrative details		
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17:00 – 19:00	Team building and discoveries		
	17:00 - 18:00 Presentation of Ambasada and reflections on urban		
	transformation		
	18:00 - 19:00 Eureka got talent		
19:00 - 22:00			
19:00 - 22:00	Networking & Dinner (buffet)		
Tuesday, May 9 <sup>th</sup>	Study Room		
09:30 – 12:30	9:30 - 9:50 Welcome & Introduction		
	9:50 - 11:45 ULL progress Presentations: 15' presentation/cluster (with comr		
	other cluster's representatives)		

11:45 - 12:00 Break





12:00 - 12:45 Understanding Timişoara: looking over the city (N. Popa)

Quality of life at urban level (M. Matichescu)

Lunch break

14:00 – 18:00 **Activity Hours** 

City planning: past projects and challenges (A. Patroi) Reflections on the city of tomorrow: future projects

City walks focused on regeneration projects

18:20 Bega Boat trip and urban regeneration projects

Wednesday, May 10<sup>th</sup> Study Room

09:30 – 13:00 Prototypes of interventions

Taking on a practical approach (Cristian Boldisteanu)

\*Using Timisoara ULL as a practical case

14:00 – 18:00 **Activity Hours** 

Short guidings on the spot (City hall + students)

Pop-up interventions in the ULL location

Implementations by teams

Thursday, May 11<sup>th</sup> Study Room

09:30 – 12:30 9:30 - 10:30 Debriefing Pop-up interventions

10:30 - 11:00 Lessons learned & What do we take home

11:00 - 11:15 Break

11:15 - 12:45 Impact evaluation activity (LAMA&MeltingPRO)

Lunch

14:00 – 18:00 **Activity Hours** 

14:00 Visiting ArtEncounters/Isho (Diana Marincu + Ovidiu Sandor)

16:00 Visiting Piata Traian (Cetățean de Traian + Historical buildings

rehabilitation office)

Evening program

Friday, May 12<sup>th</sup> Ending Session / Next steps

09:30 – 10:30 Closing Meeting

Everyone





10:30 – 14:00 Inspiration Time / Cluster working time

Everyone / Partner's only meeting

Lunch

**18:00 – 22:00 Social activities** 

# List of participants (partners)

Name	Cluster	Partner
Faezeh Mohammadi	Dutch	Pakhuis de Zwijger
Robbert Bovee	Dutch	Pakhuis de Zwijger
Sharona Ceha	Dutch	HvA
Patrizia Braga	Italian	Melting Pro
Adriano Cancellieri	Italian	IUAV
Mattia Forni	Italian	Lama
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José Luis del Val	Spanish	Deusto
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# **List of participants (students)**

Name of participant	Cluster
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Lilia Martinez Garcia	Dutch
Clara Capuzzo	Dutch
Martino Punzi	Dutch
Diana Dobrin	Dutch
Lilla Somosfalvi	Dutch
Ilaria Biondi	Dutch
Geertje van der Klei	Dutch
Mara Neldner	Dutch
Floortje Vermeer	Dutch
Qendresa Rexhepi	Dutch
Gianfranca Mastroianni	Dutch
Frederik Serroen	Dutch
Sarah Ndjo Fernandes	Italian
Chiara Giusti	Italian
Ilaria Morganti	Italian
Franco Voltolini	Italian
Greta Tofanelli Picchi	Italian
Ilaria Degradi	Italian
Teresa Ditadi	Italian
Francesca Giglione	Italian
Vittoria Fiore	Italian
Giada Crispiels	Italian
Giovanni Corsini	Italian
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Oana Oancea	Romanian
Bulzan Raluca	Romanian
Crișan Tania Elena	Romanian
Ovidiu Mărginean	Romanian
Cumpanas Vlad	Romanian
Bettina Basarab <b>ă-</b> Varga	Romanian
Răzvan Popescu	Romanian
Abrudan Denisa	Romanian



Amelia Ile	Romanian
Bianca Crisan	Romanian
Esther Ferrer	Spanish
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Nicole Arthur	Spanish
Rosa Díaz Escós	Spanish
Juliana Rebello	Spanish
Xabier Najarro Echaniz	Spanish
Marta Bisquerra	Spanish

#### **Meeting reviews**

#### Monday, May 8th

The first day of the event was hosted by P9 - Plai Cultural Center, and started with a management meeting. At the beginning, the partners discussed the last details of the week's programme, focusing in particular on the international dimension, on how to build a community of urban regenerators at European level and on sharing knowledge and understanding the context and funding in the different European countries. Then the deliverables set out in the project were discussed, as well as the administrative and financial aspects. The ways of evaluating the project and new avenues for future joint projects of the partners were discussed. The last part was dedicated to a Board meeting, in which official decisions were taken about the next months of the project.

The second part of the day included the official opening of the week, with all participating students, where the objectives of the week were set, the co-creation of the agenda and administrative details. The day ended with reflections on regeneration, taking the Faber-Ambasada project as a case study on site, and an informal activity to get to know the participants and their shared passions related to urban innovation.





Plai Cultural Center, 08-05-2023









Plai Cultural Center, 08-05-2023

#### Tuesday, May 9th

The morning of the second day was hosted by P8 - West University of Timisoara and was divided into two modules. In the first module, the students of each cluster made a presentation of the results of their Urban Living Lab and the partners provided feedback and new avenues for reflection. The discussion was very rich, both on the part of finalizing the territorial diagnostic and on future actions to come. A few questions that came up were:

- 1. what are the students really learning, what is the real added value of this new program?
- 2. how does this ULL process differ from (old-school) project management? The questions stayed with us during the week, and at the end gave us insights of the actual learning path.

During the second module, presentations were made by the researchers: one focused on the urban regeneration potential of Timisoara and the contextual factors of this city, and the second one offered a grid of analysis on the quality of life in urban spaces.



The afternoon was coordinated by P7 Timisoara City Hall. At its headquarters, representatives of the City Hall gave presentations related to the revitalization of public spaces in Timisoara, in particular the city Center and the Bega canal. This was followed by an applied visit through these spaces, where students could observe the materialization and the impact of this project on public spaces.

The day ended with a guided tour by P8 WUT, with a vaporetto on the Bega canal, during which the urban development of the city influenced by this canal was presented, as well as the typologies of spaces likely to be regenerated in the short and medium term.



West University of Timisoara. 09-05-2023









West University of Timisoara. 09-05-2023





Timisoara City Hall. 09-05-2023



Vaporetto on the Bega canal. 09-05-2023





#### Wednesday, May 10th

The first part of the third day took place at P8 WUT and was coordinated by P9 Plai Cultural Center. The first objective was to prepare the students' practical interventions in the city. They had an interactive session with a local expert - Cristian Boldisteanu. It was about prototyping interventions, practical approaches, application tools and types of communication and learning how to give feedback to each other in an effective way. Students were grouped into six mixed international teams, in order to reinforce international communication. International Partners also were divided into small groups according to their specialization and skills, and students had a chance to get consultation from these teams, before starting their interventions.

In the second part of the day, the students in new mixed groups went to the Dâmboviţa-Flavia neighborhood (Urban Living Lab of the Romanian cluster), being coordinated by P7 - Timişoara City Hall. Here they applied the strategies prepared in the first part of the day, they came up with punctual, ephemeral interventions, especially in this neighborhood and through dialogue and involvement of residents and passers-by.







Session with Cristian Boldisteanu. WUT. 10-05-2023









Consultations with Partners' expert groups. WUT. 10-05-2023











Interventions by mixed groups at Dâmboviţa-Flavia neighbourhood. 10-05-2023



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Interventions by mixed groups at Dâmboviţa-Flavia neighbourhood. 10-05-2023





#### Thursday, May 11<sup>th</sup>

The fourth day was hosted by P9 Plai Cultural Center. First there was a debriefing of the previous day's pop-up interventions and lessons learned. Then P3 LAMA and P2 Melting Pro provided an evaluation of the impact of the project (including on students), but also the outline of future activities (strengths, weaknesses, future avenues for reflection).

In the second half of the day field visits took place, coordinated by the three partners in Timisoara. The ISHO regeneration project (in the former wool processing factory) was visited, including the art gallery that was created there. Students had a chance to meet the representatives of the ISHO regeneration project and cultural activities and ask questions. Then the Museum of Public Transport was visited, including Multiplexity, under the coordination of Timisoara City Hall, in the process of regeneration and cultural orientation. Last but not least, in the Fabric district, the students interacted with the staff of the Office for the Rehabilitation of Historic Monuments (of the Timisoara City Hall), where they discussed strategies and practices through which historic buildings can be rehabilitated.



Plai Cultural Center. 11-05-2023











Plai Cultural Center. 11-05-2023



Office for the Rehabilitation of Historic Monuments. 11-05-2023







Museum of Public Transport and Multiplexity 11-05-2023









ISHO regeneration project and Art Encounters exhibition. 11-05-2023





#### Friday, May 12<sup>th</sup>

The last day started with a summary of the week and the feedback session. Then each national cluster had a few hours to prepare the next Urban living lab activities. In parallel, partners had administrative sessions, focusing both on the functionality of the project and on the thinking of the next national and international training modules.









Plai Cultural Center. 12-05-2023

#### **Conclusion and next steps**

In conclusion, Spring School Eureka was a success, which can be confirmed by a high attendance and overwhelmingly positive feedback from students. The advantages of team and face-to-face work were highlighted, as well as the diversity of topics covered. Particularly appreciated were the numerous field visits and meetings with actors, the many spaces for collective reflective thinking, the pop-up/prototype interventions which gave students many ideas and food for thought. Spring School Eureka was a great opportunity to make more tangible and to reinforce a community at EU level.