EVENT DESCRIPTION SHEET

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PROJECT	
Participant:	[No 101081445] ECIT Foundation (ECIT)
PIC number:	899041591
Project name and acronym:	Inclusive Europe for mobile EU citizens — MobileCIT

EVENT DESCRIPTION	
Event number:	WP1: D1.2.
Event name:	Campaign launching conference
Type:	Conference
In situ/online:	In situ
Location:	Belgium, Brussels
Date(s):	19.09.2023.
Website(s) (if any):	Event programme, background document: https://ecit-foundation.eu/challenges-of-votes-at-16/ Description in the project website: https://open2vote.eu/projects/mobilecit
Participants	
Female:	38
Male:	42
Non-binary:	0
From country 1 [Austria]:	36
From country 2 [Belgium]:	21
From country 3 [Bulgaria]:	1
From country 4 [Czechia]:	1
From country 5 [Francia]:	3
From country 6 [Germany]:	3
From country 7 [Greece]:	2

From country 8 [Ireland]:	1		
From country 9 [Italy]:	2		
From country 10 [Latvia]:	1		
From country 11 [Netherlands]:	1		
From country 12 [Portugal]:	3		
From country 13 [Romania]:	3		
From country 14 [Slovakia]:	1		
From country 15 [Sweden]:	1		
Total number of participants:	80	From total number of countries:	15

Description

Provide a short description of the event and its activities.

This event marked the official start of MobileCIT project and, at the same time it focused on the political rights of EU citizens at the age starting from 16. An invaluable input to this discussion was provided by the invited group of young Europeans – Austrians and Belgians.

This conference had two main parts :

- Messages to Europe. This discussion focused on the following challenge: how to rise the turnout in EU Parliament elections, especially among such groups of EU citizens as ex-pats (mobile citizens) and younger people. And – what are the main concerns of these groups?
- Messages from Europe. In this part of the event, we focused on the discussion of the members of European Parliament about the current state of the European Citizenship institution, the electoral rights and related issues.

Event took part in the Press Club, 95 Rue Froissart and there were 80 participants.

See the event programme as Annex 1 and the list of participants as Annex 2.

Organisational activities:

Mailings:

- Invitation:
    - https://preview.mailerlite.io/preview/382394/emails/98385316083139939
- Last chance to register:
    - https://preview.mailerlite.io/preview/382394/emails/99287081442870866

Social media publications :

- Event announcement:
    - https://www.instagram.com/p/CwffwhhoUCO/?utm_source=ig_web_copy_link&igsh=MzRlODBiNWFlZA==
- Live tweet from event:
    - https://x.com/ECITFound/status/1704129697905520755
- Event follow-up:
    - https://www.instagram.com/p/Cxib189IJEm/?utm_source=ig_web_copy_link&igsh=MzRlODBiNWFlZA==

Images:

See zipped images in a folder as Annex 3.

Agenda (*see the full programme as Annex 1*)**:**

2:00-3:00 PM – Welcome and introduction to the MobileCIT project. Chair: *Tony Venables*, Speaker : *Gatis Pāvils*, Project Manager.

3:00-4:30 PM – Introductions to plans for votes at 16 and the European Parliament elections. Speakers: *Guillaume Defossé*, Federal MP, Ecolo-Groen; *Marie-Helene Boulanger*, Acting Director European Commission; *Els Gossé*, Deputy Mayor Responsible for EU Affairs; *Franziska Schweitzer*, young Austrian voter.

4:30-5:30 PM – Brainstorming discussion. Themes: concerns of young people and representation of these issues in the European elections; possible obstacles to the registration to vote and availability of information; potential impact of the voting from 16 on the European politics.

5:30-6:00 PM – Preparations of conclusions and questions to MEPs.

6:00-7:00 PM – Open meeting of the Cross-Party Group of MEPs on EU Citizenship.

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An additional event to mark he beginning of the MobileCIT project and its goals was the **ECIT Annual Conference** on 30th October 2023. The event was named «30 Years of EU Citizenship and Beyond», noting the 30th anniversary of the entry into force of the Maastricht Treaty which created Union Citizenship. This was a hybrid evend involving approximately 50 participants (they were not registered on signature lists).

(*see the programme* of the event *as Annex 1*)

Organisational activities :

- **Event programme, report, Declaration and photos on our website:** https://ecit-foundation.eu/annual-conference-2023/

- **Mailings:**
  - Invitation (dedicated mailing):
    - https://preview.mailerlite.io/preview/382394/emails/102468563910002052
  - Last chance to register (dedicated mailing):
    - https://preview.mailerlite.io/preview/382394/emails/99287081442870866

- **Social:**
  - **Instagram:**
    - Event announcement: https://www.instagram.com/p/Cyk7ucSM6KQ/?utm_source=ig_web_copy_link&igsh=MzRlODBiNWFlZA==
    - Registration open: https://www.instagram.com/p/Cyn1aQtMT8w/?utm_source=ig_web_copy_link&igsh=MzRlODBiNWFlZA==
    - Draft declaration: https://www.instagram.com/p/Cyq4IN-MNFV/?utm_source=ig_web_copy_link&igsh=MzRlODBiNWFlZA==
    - 30th anniversary of EU Citizenship: https://www.instagram.com/p/CytWV-NMVVf/?utm_source=ig_web_copy_link&igsh=MzRlODBiNWFlZA==
    - Focus on 1st panel: https://www.instagram.com/p/CyyDpD_s1uC/?utm_source=ig_web_copy_link&igsh=MzRlODBiNWFlZA==
    - Focus on 2nd panel: https://www.instagram.com/p/Cy0xAfCMvxm/?utm_source=ig_web_copy_link&igsh=MzRlODBiNWFlZA==

- Focus on 3rd panel: https://www.instagram.com/p/Cy3DMbbMlul/?utm_source=ig_web_copy_link&igsh=MzRlODBiNWFlZA==
- Final schedule: https://www.instagram.com/p/Cy5uoLPsXs8/?utm_source=ig_web_copy_link&igsh=MzRlODBiNWFlZA==
- Registration reminder: https://www.instagram.com/p/Cy_Qx-6sCRK/?utm_source=ig_web_copy_link&igsh=MzRlODBiNWFlZA==
- Last chance to register: https://www.instagram.com/p/CzB6YLoM6oy/?utm_source=ig_web_copy_link&igsh=MzRlODBiNWFlZA==
- Join live: https://www.instagram.com/p/CzDuOUyMsGa/?utm_source=ig_web_copy_link&igsh=MzRlODBiNWFlZA==
- Event follow-up: https://www.instagram.com/p/CzbP_v2sIM0/?utm_source=ig_web_copy_link&igsh=MzRlODBiNWFlZA==

  o **LinkedIn event:** https://www.linkedin.com/events/ecit-s8thannualconference-30yea7120712338793488384/comments/
  o **X:**
    - Event announcement: https://x.com/ECITFound/status/1714954625533505953/photo/1
    - Registration open: https://x.com/ECITFound/status/1715313468843143174/photo/1
    - Final schedule: https://x.com/ECITFound/status/1717880053810250094/photo/1
    - Event follow-up: https://x.com/ECITFound/status/1722601117387759792/photo/1

NUMBER OF PARTICIPANTS: 80

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