

EGL at Rural Areas, Challenges and Solidarity

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EGL Project Coordinator Judit Balog was one of the keynote speakers at the transnational NET Activity “[Rural Areas, Challenges and Solidarity](#)” held this March.

[The Hellenic National Agency for Erasmus+](#) and the [Youth & European Solidarity Corps](#) organized the NET Activity and hosted 35 participants from all over Europe. There were representatives of municipalities and youth organizations from rural areas, but also youth workers who work in rural areas around Europe. The participants were people who are interested in exploring the opportunities that the European Solidarity Corps and other programs can bring to these communities.

The screenshot displays the HOP online learning platform interface. At the top left, there is a logo for 'HOP online learning' and a navigation menu icon. The main content area is divided into three columns, each representing a different course category under the 'HOP academy' and 'European Solidarity Corps' banners.

- Column 1:** Features a card for 'Training for mentors' with a 'LEARN MORE' button. Below the button is a short description of the course and the 'European Solidarity Corps' logo.
- Column 2:** Features a card for 'Rural areas, challenges and solidarity' with a 'LEARN MORE' button. Below the button is a short description of the course and the 'European Solidarity Corps' logo.
- Column 3:** Features a card for 'Intercultural Competence Training (ICC) on ESC' with a 'LEARN MORE' button. Below the button is a short description of the course and the 'European Solidarity Corps' logo.

Below these columns, there are three more cards: 'Solidarity in Balkan Region', 'Youth work, national policies and solidarity action in Euro-Mediterranean area', and 'Act Locally, Think Globally: How to build a solidarity project'.

Ms. Balog presented the activities of the Europe Goes Local project, explaining how the participants could benefit through EGL, learn more about good practices in local youth work, and related resources for quality development of youth work.

The screenshot shows a Zoom meeting in progress. The main part of the screen is occupied by a presentation slide titled 'Europe Goes Local' with the subtitle 'Supporting Youth Work at the Municipal Level'. The slide features the Erasmus+ logo and the text 'A European Platform in support of youth work at the municipal level 2016 - to date'. The website 'www.europegoeslocal.eu' is visible at the bottom of the slide.

On the right side of the screen, there is a grid of video thumbnails for participants. The names of the participants are listed below their thumbnails, including: Olga Kyriakidou, Konstantinos Stergios, Dora / VC Epirus / Gr..., Nerjoli, Jenny Haglund, Judith Baoogh, Martina Rosandic, David Carapinha, Rita Kovacs, Adrian - FINLAND, DEMICRA, Bernard, Mithide MGE 40 W..., Dursun Demir, Natassa Deobus, George Kalogeros, Edita Jareckaitė, Eleftherios Baltz..., Bişra Yıldız-tur..., Eleftherios Baltzids, Bişra Yıldız-turkey, Lidia Chmielews..., Lidia Chmielewska, and Sara Redonda.

This NET activity, and many others you will be able to find on the HOP Online Learning Platform. This serves as a learning resource center for online courses for youth work communities of practice. The

HOP platform was launched in 2017 in cooperation between several SALTO Resource Centres and National Agencies of Erasmus+ as a base for their online course on volunteering activities. The platform also hosts other courses, creating a wide community of online learners.

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