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The EMPOWER project aims at supporting the conscious development of basic competences and key skills of migrant women in terms of entrepreneurship.

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# ENCOURAGING MIGRANT WOMEN TO SEIZE THEIR POTENTIAL AND OPPORTUNITIES IN THE WORLD OF ENTREPRENEURSHIP

## Local Trainings in partners' countries, 2023

Following the "Train the Trainers" event in Slovenia last September, the trainers promptly immersed themselves in organizing local trainings in their respective countries. Their initial challenge involved identifying activities tailored to the demographics, interests, and desired outcomes of migrant women. Fortunately, the **EMPOWER Toolkit for Strengthening Entrecomp Competencies**, developed by the project consortium, provided a vast of options suitable for various situations and diverse women.

In summary, the local trainings proceeded seamlessly and exceeded expectations. These women not only enjoyed and acquired new skills but was able to teach one another that despite the challenges of being migrants in their current countries, with proper integration and determination of skills, nothing is insurmountable. The participants entered the training sessions feeling hopeful and emerged feeling **EMPOWERED**.



## Participants' take on the local trainings:

**Participants displayed high self-awareness**, with Germany at 4.0, Italy at 4.6, Slovenia at 3.0, and Sweden at 4.7.

**Motivation levels were notably high**, with Germany at 4.3, Italy at 4.9, Slovenia at 2.6, and Sweden at 4.7.

**Understanding of entrepreneurial competences was high**, with Germany at 3.7, Italy at 4.1, Slovenia at 2.8, and Sweden at 4.0.

**Capability to use personal skills for entrepreneurial ideas was evident**, with Germany at 3.7, Italy at 4.3, Slovenia at 3.1, and Sweden at 4.1.

## Participants' Feedback

**In my opinion, this project is very important. It helps you to find yourself again and to better understand what to do in a new social environment. The fear of communication is reduced.** – Participant from Germany

**It was interesting to learn about EntreComp, I've never heard of it before. The two exercises on the business idea are very good. Nice participants in the training”** -Participant from Sweden

**“It was the ideal opportunity to think about marketing something that I'm good at and that I really enjoy doing.”** - Participant from Slovenia

**“The networking was great. and also the teamwork. The activity about the worst possible idea was very funny but also interesting”**- Participant from Italy

# SNAPSHOTS FROM THE LOCAL TRAINING



## What's next in the EMPOWER-project?

The project consortium is gearing up for its 5th and final Transnational Project Meeting scheduled to take place in Stockholm, Sweden, later this month. During this gathering, they will collaboratively put the finishing touches on the toolkit, share insights gained from recent local training sessions, and collectively plan for the bittersweet official closure of the EMPOWER project.

Although the EMPOWER project officially concludes at the end of February, each partner country will host a multiplier event in the first week of February. These events aim to disseminate comprehensive information about the project, including its creation process, utilization guidelines, and potential beneficiaries. We encourage interested parties to join these events and reach out to the representative in their respective countries to learn more about participation details.

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