

EVENT DESCRIPTION SHEET

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PROJECT	
Participant:	[03] – [Municipality of Serifos] ([SERIFOS])
PIC number:	[877913633]
Project name and acronym:	[SECURE] — [Strengthening European Communities, Uniting Regions and Reinforcing Engagement]

EVENT DESCRIPTION	
Event number:	[4]
Event name:	[Fourth International Event - Media Literacy in Action: Combating Disinformation for Informed Citizenship]
Type:	[International Event]
In situ/online:	[in-situ]
Location:	[Serifos], [Greece]
Date(s):	[27-30/05/2026]
Website(s) (if any):	https://secureprojectnot.wordpress.com/secure-project-fourth-international-event/ https://www.lighthouselanguages.it/portfolio/secure/
Participants	
Female:	46
Male:	32
Non-binary:	0
From country 1 [Greece]:	45
From country 2 [Italy]:	13
From country 3 [Poland]:	3
From country 4 [Hungary]	4
From country 5 [Spain]	1
From country 6 [Latvia]	2
From country 7 [Portugal]	2

From country 8 [Slovenia]	2		
From country 9 [Malta]	2		
From country 10 [Serbia]	2		
From country 11 [Czech Republic]	1		
From country 12 [Cyprus]	2		
From country 13 [France]	1		
Total number of participants:	78	From total number of countries:	13

Description

Provide a short description of the event and its activities.

The Fourth International Event of the SECURE project, held in Serifos, Greece, was designed to advance the project's core objectives of fostering democratic participation and civic engagement. The event focused on three key pillars:

- Information health practices:
By facilitating the sharing of best practices among regular citizens within the network, the event promoted active strategies and techniques for identifying reliable sources, fact-checking information, and critically evaluating news to combat disinformation.
- Media literacy education:
Structured workshops provided resources, tools, and materials to support citizens in navigating the complex media landscape responsibly and discerningly.
- Collaborative learning:
The convention created open spaces for peer-to-peer support, enabling citizens to exchange insights, share community experiences, and collectively develop robust strategies for promoting informed citizenship.

The event brought together delegations from the partner countries, including representatives from:

- Local municipalities and institutional authorities
- Civil society organizations
- Educators, trainers, and media literacy experts
- Citizens and community leaders

-Participants came from Italy, Slovenia, France, Greece, Cyprus, Latvia, Portugal, Serbia, Hungary, Malta, Czech Republic, Spain and Poland.

The main topic of the Fourth International Event of the SECURE project was "Media Literacy in Action: Combating Disinformation for Informed Citizenship".

The event specifically focused on exploring and developing strategies related to two interconnected themes:

-Combating disinformation and misinformation: providing citizens with practical verification skills to understand how false narratives spread and how community trust can be rebuilt through systemic information filtering.

-Civic responsibility and local governance: highlighting the role of local public administrations in supporting sustainable digital frameworks, preserving community identity, and encouraging civic vigilance.

Overview of the activities:

Prior to the event, all delegations were required to complete a mandatory preparation task focused on two core elements:

-Mapping of reliable sources: each partner selected the digital tools or verification habits they rely on most, picking 3 reliable resources (such as fact-checking sites, browser extensions, or official data portals), explaining the rationale behind their choices, and creating a "Trust List" designed to be aggregated into a master resource for all citizens.

-Citizens' survey: delegations gathered raw insights from their local communities by interviewing 3-4 members regarding the most confusing news they recently encountered and the factors that make them trust a news source, compiling the results into a short 5-minute video.

Main sessions included:

This preparatory work was crucial for ensuring an engaging and valuable co-creative workshop, directly feeding real-life local experiences and community-sourced data into the central thematic focus.

Overview of the activities:

Main sessions included:

1. Formal analysis and strategy development

-Workshop part 1: "Media literacy in action": a session dedicated to analyzing the "Trust Lists" and tools submitted by the delegations. Participants actively shared best practices, peer-to-peer verification habits, and structured a collective master resource to promote information health.

-Workshop part 2: "Media Literacy as a tool of informed participation": this session focused on the screening and analysis of the short interview videos. Participants analyzed the raw insights from the local surveys, debating how community trust is built and exploring strategies to bridge the gap between media verification theory and everyday citizenship.

2. Institutional and civic engagement

-Institutional meeting with local authorities: an official exchange with the Mayor of Serifos and local councillors to address how local governance can support civic media literacy and digital responsibility.

-Civic and historical field study: guided site visits mapping the island's democratic values and history, drawing structural parallels between historical collective action (such as the 1916 miners' strike) and modern civic resilience required to counter digital disinformation.

3. Practical and co-creative activities

-Group work of debunking fake-news: where participants actively collaborated to disassemble current disinformation narratives, applying digital tools and validation methodologies in real time.

-Problem solving session: active working groups focused on designing specific strategies on "how to promote information health at local level", finding scalable methods to transfer critical evaluation skills to regular citizens.

Impacts and outcomes:

-Enhanced information verification skills: the event successfully provided participants with real-world, non-formal tools to evaluate media content, shifting technical fact-checking methods into accessible everyday habits for regular citizens.

-Creation of a master citizen resource: by aggregating the "Trust Lists" prepared by each partner, the project established a concrete shared archive of reliable tools and official portals to assist communities in filtering disinformation.

-Strengthened European cohesion through shared narratives: the screening of citizens' surveys from across Europe reinforced regional dialogue and empathy, offering a comparative overview of how

different communities experience and perceive misinformation.

-Development of local civic strategies: the exchange generated actionable inputs for public administrations to implement media literacy and critical thinking initiatives into local civic engagement planning.

Target: Citizens, young people, stakeholders, local public administrations.

A report of the Trust List can be downloaded here: <https://secureprojectnot.wordpress.com/materials/>

A key quote from the event:

"Hosting this event on an island like Serifos, away from the distractions of the high tourist season, fundamentally changed how we connected. It created an intimate, concentrated environment where European citizens could truly slow down, listen to one another, and build authentic trust. We realized that fighting disinformation isn't just an abstract digital battle—it requires real spaces for deep community engagement, proving that when the noise of mass tourism is cleared away, the shared values of European citizenship naturally come to light." - Camilla Masi (Italy)

Further information, photogallery, presentations and materials can be browsed here:

<https://secureprojectnot.wordpress.com/secure-project-fourth-international-event/>

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