

Evaluating Community Sponsorship across Europe: Common Challenges and Opportunities

27th of November 2023 (14:00 – 16:30 CET | 8:00 –10:30 EST)

13:50-14:00 **Online Check-in** 14:00-14:10 Welcome and Introduction: ICMC Europe/Share network Comparative analysis of cross-country evaluation results & main recommendations 14:10-15:20 Moderator: Marisol Reyes, University of Birmingham • Overview of evaluation objectives and methodology: Marisol Reyes and Gabriella D'Avino, University of Birmingham Participatory approach to monitoring & evaluation - Peer research as empowerment of persons with lived experience: Dima Mahjoub (Researcher, Germany) & Megan Vine (Researcher, Ireland) • Governance and partnership framework: Gabriela Agatiello, ICMC Europe/Share Network & Willem Gordts, Caritas International • Pre-arrival and preparation phase • Recruitment & mobilization of sponsors: Marisol Reyes, University of Birmingham • Cultural orientation, expectation management, training of groups & matching : Guilhem Mante, Fédération d'Entraide Protestante (FEP) Arrival/Settlement phase & transition to autonomous living: Gemma Pinyol, Instrategies & Ines Vicente, Ellacuria Foundation • Impact/Engagement of wider community with focus on rural vs. urban areas: Chiara Giannini, Consorzio Communitas & Gabriella D'Avino 15:20 - 15:30 **Coffee Break** Discussion & exchange on best practices from different countries in breakout groups 15:30-16:15 **Breakout Groups:** 1. Participatory approach to monitoring & evaluation 2. Governance & partnership framework: public-private partnerships, funding models, safeguards 3. Recruitment/mobilization of sponsors 4. Pre-departure phase: cultural orientation, expectation management, training of groups and matching 5. Arrival/Settlement phase and transition to autonomous living Impact & engagement of wider community with focus on rural vs. urban areas 16:15 - 16:25 **Report back from Breakout Groups** 16:25-16:30 **Closing and next steps**







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