



## **SIX PILOTS TO TEST THE SIMCAS METHODOLOGICAL APPROACH**

*New year brings new beginnings. In January 2022 six partners of the SIMCAS project are starting the pilot testing of the developed methodological approach for an effective inclusion of migrants through physical activities.*

The application of the methodology will be implemented in six-month long local trials. Through specific monitoring and self-assessment tools, each partner will design and implement at local level project activities and observe how the guidelines and the activities collected in the methodological report adapt to each context, thus evaluating the pros and cons of the model during its application. The evidence collected during the developing of the six local experiments will contribute to a larger exchange of the experiences among project partners, to increase the skills of project operators, to further refine the project's methodological approach and to make it more suitable to respond to participants' needs.

The activities are planned according to local situations and environments. The six national implementation events will be carried out by partner organizations' testing teams. Each partner will work with a team composed by various professionals that will implement the methodology in different environments (prisons, suburbs, refugee camps, first and second generation immigrants), with people of different cultures (African, Asian, Eastern European), arriving in different receiving cities (large cities and medium/small cities, in Northern, Central and Southern Europe) and using different approaches (single sport, team sport, social support, etc.). The Italian team will focus its activities on immigrants that are in prisons.

The Slovenian team will focus its activities on immigrants coming from former Yugoslavia's countries. The Spanish team will address its activities towards immigrants living in vulnerable neighbourhoods in the city of Banyoles. The Greek team will focus its activities on immigrants living in refugee camps and other temporary accommodation schemes in Attika region. The German team will focus its activities on new immigrants that are in the process of receiving the status of political refugee and those that have received the status of political refugee. The Danish team will focus its activities on new migrants seeking asylum.

Pilot testing and provided feedback represent the base for finalizing and refining the developed innovative methodological approach and the contents of a 'Tool Kit' for the realization of social inclusion interventions through sport. After revision and certification by the University of Cassino these project products will be presented to stakeholders during the Multiplier sport events in the partners countries.



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