

<b>Project title</b>	<b>Town-Twinning: Lendinara hospitable town (provisional)</b>
<b>Theme</b>	Starting from the multilingual character of the Union, the several cultural identities of Peoples and their intangible heritage, Lendinara Municipality wants to launch a series of initiatives to encourage and involve citizens, to promote mutual understanding and the values of the European Union as hospitality, inclusion, peace, respect. The Twinning project wants to create a first transnational and shared path of partnerships with other Municipality, fostering their cooperation and cultural links, with the participation of citizens and young people. Particular attention will be given to hard-to-reach groups to contribute to the strengthening of the European integration process.
Call for proposal	Europe for Citizen 2014-2020, Strand 2 "Democratic engagement and civic participation - Town Twinning"
Project objectives	Encourage democratic and civic participation of citizens at Union level, by developing citizens' understanding of the Union policy making-process and promoting opportunities for societal and intercultural engagement and volunteering at Union level. The town will host meetings, exchanges with students, conferences, cultural events to start an intercultural dialogue by critically comparing different national points of view. Events last for four days in Lendinara, with <i>preparatory meetings</i> in June 2016 in the Municipality candidate, to share new challenges and select the annual priorities of the Programme. The municipalities will celebrate the sign of twinning agreements or other forms of partnerships fostering their cooperation and cultural links and achieve the objectives of Europe 2020 strategy.
Information about lead partner	Lendinara Municipality is a city near Venice in Italy, with approximately 12,000 Inhabitants. Situated in the area of the River Po, there are many historical sites and cultural events as "Solstice Festival." The Municipality organized info-day with ECP Italy and the Ministry of Cultural Heritage and Activities and Tourism, to promote policies of inclusion and exchanges with citizens from several States. The Municipality hosted Jessie White Mario (UK): the first woman reporter that writes realistically about the difficult lives of children and marginalization of women; she was active for the ideals of freedom and well-being of the poorest citizens with Garibaldi. The Venetian Villa Ca Dolfin hosted also famous artists coming from other States like the painter Zoran Mušič (SI) born in the border area that was then an Austrian County. Many ancient and precious manuscripts are preserved in the Boldrin Palace of XVII century. The Municipality supports the local associations of citizens active for the preservation of tangible and intangible heritage, with events and exchanges between schools, the Committee of the Young mayors and the Consortium of European Re-enactment Societies of Venice.
Searched partners	Local authorities, preferably Austria, Croatia, Slovenia.
Financial aspects	25.000 Euro is the total budget
Deadline	1st September 2016; partnership propose: best before 5th June 2016.
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