







### Think globally, act locally!

Association Global Project (AGP)

in a nutshell

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In a Smart community, NGOs are a vector of development. Here you will find resources, partners and a support team that can contribute to the development of the project for your community.



AGP is the initiative of 3 individuals: Ciprian, Catalin and Natalia, that decided to capitalise their expertise and experience in a CSO, as a different answer to the community's needs.







Seed Guardians for Biodiversity, Agrobiodiversity, Ecosystem

SEEDGUARD BSB00450

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Budget: 489,048.00 EUR

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Union of Bulgarian Black Sea Local Authorities (UBBSLA) - Lead partner

National Association of Local Authorities, NALAG (Georgia)

SD consortium

Eastern Black Sea Development Agency, DOKA (Turkey)

Association Global Project, AGP (Romania)







The rising up risks from the negative climate change impacts, the traditional vegetables and landraces preservation is increasingly considered to be of critical importance as a priceless resource that could prevent food crisis.



# Challenge

The Black Sea countries witness problems in how <u>to use and</u> <u>maintain agrobiodiversity</u>, which is dramatically disappearing



There are **gene banks in the Black**<u>Sea countries</u>, which are housing collections of plant species but they are not instrumental in provision of traditional vegetable seeds to breeders, farmers, heirloom gardeners and hobby growers.







<u>Establishment of 4 local CSC's</u> a model for preservation of traditional heritage vegetable seeds as valuable resource

### Respond to the Challenge

Development of Recommendations to policy and decision makers for promotion of old local vegetable varieties and landraces and for saving their seeds as valuable plant genetic resources.

Introduction of methodology for joint planning, training and peer practice exchange of vegetable growers, agricultural producers, hobby gardeners, seed keepers to respond to the biodiverisity and climate change issues.









## **NEXT** Black Sea Basin

### Target group



Vegetable growers, gardeners; agricultural producers, etc. -40 people Local/regional authorities, business support organizations, interest groups, general public -260 people

Communities benefitting from the social media campaign, promotional

tools, publicity items - 10000 people







Participatory actions: info days for acknowledgement of the concept; trainings for raising capacities & in-situ camps for practical exercises; study visits for best practice exchange; international workshop for sharing results and future developments

<u>Research activities</u>: identification of local state of the art in the selected territories: people in the sector; hobby growers; needs and challenges

<u>Capacity building</u>: two day training including insitu and tutoring actions; camps for peer review; study visits of stakeholders

<u>Networking</u>: transnational network of seed providers at BSB level

<u>Future developments</u>: Recommendations for policy improvements with possibility to transform the CSCs into Community Seed Banks (CSBs).











NEXT Black Sea Basin

an innovative model for joint development and establishing of four community seed collections in four BSB pilot territories

**RESULTS** 

a community-driven methodology as a pilot action conceptualized in join planning and set-up of active units for community seed collections a solution for innovations in design and capacity building for preservation of biodiversity, agrodiversity and food diversity







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