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We are pleased to share updates from the latest H:OUSE project pilot activities. Pilot project initiatives are underway across Italy, Hungary, Greece, Ireland and Slovenia. Currently, we are presenting some of the pilot projects from Padova (Italy), Budapest (Hungary), and Novo mesto (Slovenia). These pilot projects focus on strengthening inclusive, community-based inclusion through language learning, mediation, financial literacy, and neighborhood engagement. Below is a snapshot of the progress and impact achieved so far.

ITALY

The cooperative *Il Sestante* in Padova is supporting a series of pilot activities designed to promote inclusion and daily life in community-based housing. Working closely with migrant communities, local associations, sponsors, and community leaders, the initiative delivers practical, hands-on learning opportunities in open community spaces such as the *Casa di Quartiere*.

Key courses include:

- Italian for Everyday Life – building practical language skills for daily situations
- My Home – guidance on accessing housing and understanding tenant rights
- Counting on Me! – financial education for independent living

In addition, the Neighborhood Connections – Proximity Festival takes place every second Saturday. This recurring event promotes housing rights, empowerment, and social interaction through workshops, skills-sharing sessions, and exchanges of personal experiences. The festival helps strengthen trust, autonomy, and long-term community bonds.



Italian for Everyday Life, Padova.

HUNGARY

Our partner Artemisszió is supporting pilot initiatives in Budapest, Hungary. At Mira Ház, volunteer-led Hungarian language classes for newcomers address one of the biggest barriers to accessing housing: communication gaps and misunderstandings with landlords and institutions.

The program provides structured and engaging language education for learners from diverse cultural backgrounds and at varying language levels. Courses focus on real-life scenarios, including:

- communicating with landlords
- understanding rental agreements
- navigating everyday administrative situations

From July to December 2025, more than 100 students enrolled, demonstrating strong demand for and trust in the program. After targeted training in teaching Hungarian as a foreign language, 16 volunteer teachers delivered weekly classes from Monday to Friday



across multiple time slots. Small-group formats allowed tailored instruction from beginner through B2 level, equipping participants with practical communication skills and greater confidence in everyday life and housing-related matters.



Language classes for newcomers at Mira Ház, Budapest.

SLOVENIA

Our partner ZRC SAZU is supporting pilot projects across Slovenia. In Novo mesto, a comprehensive 30-hour intercultural mediation training program was completed by DRPD (Association for Developing Voluntary Work Novo mesto), combining theoretical knowledge with extensive practical simulations.

The program included eight structured sessions plus independent work and covered:

- intercultural communication
- the functioning of public institutions
- housing and labor issues



- digital support tools
- ethics and conflict resolution
- mediation practice through guided simulations

The training was delivered in cooperation with expert staff and partner organizations, including specialists in organizational psychology and human rights education, as well as Slovenska Filantropija.



Session on intercultural mediation, Novo mesto.

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