EVENT DESCRIPTION SHEET

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PROJECT		
Participant:	Comparative Research Network e.V.	
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EVENT DESCRIPTION				
Event number:	1			
Event name:	Kick-off Debate - Diversity in the Climate Debate			
Type:	Debate			
In situ/online:	[in-situ]			
Location:	Berlin, Germany			
Date(s):	17.11.22			
Website(s) (if any):	https://crnonline.de/eu24/			
Participants				
Female:	39			
Male:	18			
Non-binary:	1			
From country 1 [Germany]:	28 (including 6 Ukrainian refugees)			
From country 2 [Poland]:	6			
From country 3 [Romania]:	3			
From country 4 [France]:	6			
From country 5 [Italy]:	7			
From country 6 [Hungary]:	1			
From country 7 [Czech Republic]:	1			
From country 8 [Bulgaria]	1			

From country 9 [Sweden]:	3		
From country 10 [Ireland]:	1		
From country 11 [Spanien]:	1		
Total number of participants:	58	From total number of countries:	11

Description

Provide a short description of the event and its activities.

Diversity in the Climate Debate - Kick Off event of EU24-Engage4thePlanet

The next climate summit has begun. Migrant voices on climate change are rare in the media coverage. Over the next two years, the EU24 - Engage4thePlanet project contributes to more diversity in political participation on environment and climate change issues.

The event structure was as follows: five panellists were discussing topics on climate change in front of a wide assembly of active listeners.

The panellists were from different organisations (Greenpeace, Dziewuchy Berlin Polish Queer Feminist Collective, Naturfreunde Deutschland e.V, Iranian Community in Germany, Central Council of the African Community in Germany), therefore giving expertise depending on their specialisation on the different topics.

Firstly, we asked the panellists to introduce themselves and their organisation. It was a great way to learn about their life stories leading to migration and/or activism.

Secondly, we asked questions to the panellists. It was a moment where the public could participate as well to give their input:

Do you think current information events are inclusive enough for migrant communities?

How do you think they could become more inclusive?

From your observations, do you think the voice of migrants on the topic of climate change is listened to enough?

Overall, the topic were really large depending on which direction the panellists and public took. It was also a way to learn more about facts and figures concerning the impact of climate change on the migrant communities by the population most concerned.

The event was moderated by one person. This moderator was asking questions to create links between the panellists as well as the assembly. They were also in charge of dividing equally the speaking time of the panellists.

The assembly can be qualified as active listeners because they also took part in elaborating questions and answers. It was a real interaction between the panellists and the public.

The debating language was German. But in order to be inclusive, there were two whiteboards with projection. One of the whiteboards was displaying German subtitles in real time whereas the other was translating and creating English subtitles in real time as well.

Below are the main conclusions from the discussion, as well as the participants' observations afterwards

- Most information's events are generally very Western-European/German in character. We can and should consider other formats to address migrant communities.
- We are not where we want to be with the climate debate. Certain groups are often underrepresented. We need to increase their visibility and find strategies to effectively include them in the conversation.
- In Europe we fear the consequences of climate change but still frequently talk about it as a future threat. However, many southern countries experience severe effects already for a long time. We should realise that we speak from a very privileged position and learn more from their experience.
- Those who are affected by climate change today are mostly women, girls, illegal immigrants and marginalised communities and they must be involved in the design and implementation of climate response actions to ensure the equal sharing of benefits.

- It is important to put gender equality at the centre of climate change solutions for effective implementation of programs.
- Migrant voices are crucial; the effects of climate change can be a direct or indirect reason for migration.
- It was very interesting to learn about different organisations and hear about the background of the panellists and some participants.
- There are many ways to become involved in the environmental movement and activism.

Time & Place:

More diversity in the climate debate

EU24 - Engage for the Planet

17.11.22, 19 - 21:00 im FMP1

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10243 Berlin

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