

## EVENT DESCRIPTION SHEET

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PROJECT	
<b>Participant:</b>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. ASSOCIATION DES AGENCES DE LA DEMOCRATIE LOCALE] ([ALDA])</li> <li>2. FUNDACJA OTWARTY PLAN</li> </ol>
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<b>Event name:</b>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Democracy and Inclusion in Times of Climate Crisis</li> <li>2. Climate Migration as a Matter of Justice</li> </ol>
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<b>In situ/online:</b>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. <i>In situ</i></li> <li>2. <i>In situ</i></li> </ol>
<b>Location:</b>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Brussels, Belgium</li> <li>2. Kraków, Poland</li> </ol>
<b>Date(s):</b>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. 21st June 2024</li> <li>2. 13-14 June 2024</li> </ol>
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Participants	
Female:	63
Male:	28
Non-binary:	3
Prefer not to say:	7
From country 1 [BELGIUM]:	36
From country 2 [POLAND]:	23

From country 3 [ITALY]:	9		
From country 4 [FRANCE]:	8		
From country 5 [GERMANY]:	7		
From country 6 [SPAIN]:	4		
From country 7 [PORTUGAL]:	3		
From country 8 [NETHERLANDS]:	2		
From country 9 [SWEDEN]:	2		
From country 10 [HUNGARY]:	1		
From country 11 [CROATIA]:	1		
From country 12 [BULGARIA]:	1		
From country 13 [ROMANIA]:	1		
From country 14 [MALTA]:	1		
From country 15 [CZECH REPUBLIC]:	1		
From country 16 [IRELAND]:	1		
Total number of participants:	101	From total number of countries:	16

### Description

*Provide a short description of the event and its activities.*

## I. Democracy and Inclusion in Times of Climate Crisis

### 1. The event

The event took place on Friday 21st of June 2024 from 14:00 to 17:30 at the European Economic and Social Committee in Brussels, Belgium. The target groups included the underrepresented groups who were part of the project activities such as women, youth, migrants, mobile citizens, LGBTQI+ and people with disabilities. As the final event of the project, the event aimed to present a roundtable discussion that explored the intersectionality of crucial topics, such as democracy, inclusivity and climate action, with the objective of fostering dialogue, collaboration and actionable solutions among speakers and participants that represented different underrepresented groups, also it included a EU24-Engage for the planet presentation session which presented the results, best practices, challenges and activities of the project to a wider audience, especially policymakers. The last part of the event included the international poster competition award ceremony which was a transversal activity carried out in WP4, WP5, WP6, and WP7. In the following paragraph, each of the sessions prepared for the event will be further explained.

The event started with a general moderator from ALDA who provided a brief introduction to the project, the partners and the countries involved as well as key information on the outreach of the project, emphasising the number of people (also disaggregated by sex), which the project reached during the blended debates. The outcomes of the project such as reports and articles were highlighted, as well as the activities during the project such as the social media campaign, and the

poster competition. After this, a representative of EESC provided a welcoming speech on the event's themes, emphasising their relevance and continuous work on the matter.

### **The roundtable discussion session**

The main roundtable discussion offered an engaging exchange for exploring challenges and opportunities for inclusive democracy in addressing the climate crisis from different perspectives, particularly in the context of the 2024 European Elections. The moderation was in charge of a representative of Otworthy Plan and a representative of ALDA.

The panellists explored how democratic institutions can better integrate diverse social and cultural perspectives into decision-making processes related to climate action. Each panellist provided their point of view from the group they represented and attendees were encouraged to share their experiences and stories, emphasising the diversity of priorities in inclusion. Among the panellists were:

- A representative and advisor to the Director General for Communication and Spokesperson of the European Parliament
- An EESC expert on rural areas and local communities
- A representative of The Democratic Society
- A project Lead at YEE (NGO in environment and youth)
- A representative of the European Disability Forum
- A consultant on accessibility solutions for visually impaired people

The panelists were asked the following questions:

1. What are the main challenges for democracy in addressing the climate crisis after the last European Elections?
2. How can democratic institutions more effectively incorporate a diversity of social and cultural perspectives in decision-making on the climate crisis?
3. What are the best practices for involving local communities and marginalized groups in decision-making on environmental action?
4. What are the most important opportunities for democracy in the context of creating climate policies that are both equitable and effective?

Given the structure of the venue, all participants had a microphone to participate in the roundtable, actively providing their personal opinions and experiences regarding the question and the topic in general. Not only the participants but also the speakers benefit from everyone's insights.

### **Key remarks from the roundtable:**

1. Designing Active Inclusion Processes in the Context of the climate crisis

The discussions underscored the importance of active and intentional recruitment strategies for underrepresented groups in the context of the climate crisis. Speakers highlighted how effective recruitment goes beyond tokenism, requiring organizations to proactively seek out diverse candidates. This means developing targeted outreach programs and creating supportive pathways for individuals from underrepresented backgrounds to participate and thrive in various sectors.

Participants emphasized the need to democratize the decision-making process, ensuring everyone, regardless of background, can contribute meaningfully. Ensuring participation involves more than just inviting people to the table; it means breaking down barriers to accessibility. This includes providing resources in multiple languages, offering flexible meeting times, and ensuring venues are accessible to all.

2. Barriers Faced by Marginalized Communities

Participants and speakers shared personal experiences of prejudice and discrimination, emphasizing the need for continuous education and cultural competency training. Changing these ingrained attitudes is critical for creating welcoming and inclusive environments.

Additionally, the economic obstacles faced by marginalized groups were a recurring theme. Many participants noted that financial constraints limit access to opportunities such as education,

networking events, and professional development. Solutions discussed included providing financial aid, scholarships, and paid opportunities to ensure economic status does not hinder participation.

Both physical and social segregation were identified as significant barriers, especially in the context of the climate crisis. Marginalized individuals often find themselves in under-resourced areas, with limited access to opportunities or actions in favour of the environment. Participants discussed strategies to foster integration, such as creating inclusive community spaces and promoting diverse social and environmental networks.

The event highlighted the critical need for comprehensive data on marginalized communities. Without this data, addressing the specific needs of these groups becomes challenging. Speakers advocated for ethical research practices and community involvement in data collection to ensure accurate representation and effective policy-making in addressing their needs.

The structural inequalities that perpetuate power imbalances were a major point of discussion. To address this, participants called for inclusive governance models and initiatives that promote shared power. Empowering marginalized communities through leadership opportunities and equitable participation in decision-making processes is essential for true inclusion in environmental matters.

### 3. Challenges of Superficial Inclusion

The event highlighted that many inclusion efforts remain superficial, driven more by a sense of colonial guilt than a genuine commitment to change. This often results in tokenism, where the inclusion of marginalized individuals is symbolic rather than impactful.

Speakers also stressed the importance of moving past defensiveness when facing criticism about inclusion practices. A pragmatic approach, involving small and deliberate steps, was recommended. Setting clear goals, continuously evaluating progress, and being open to learning and adaptation were identified as crucial for meaningful change from both participants and speakers.

The need to ground discussions in intersectionality was a major takeaway. Recognizing that various forms of discrimination and disadvantage are interconnected ensures that inclusion efforts are comprehensive. This approach acknowledges the multifaceted experiences of marginalized individuals in the context of the climate crisis and aims to address all aspects of their identity.

#### **The EU24 Engage for the Planet presentation session:**

Following the roundtable, the presentation session aimed to present the tools and good practices for inclusive democracy, with a reflection on the EU24 Engage for the Planet project. This part aimed to present to the speakers and the participants the deliverables, milestones and activities carried out within the project, as well as challenges and outcomes with an emphasis on useful materials and suggestions.

The activities and results of the session carried out the theme of the roundtable discussion. Our project partners presented it and it was divided into three sections: Inclusive public events, Inclusive online tools, and Inclusive social media.

The first section of Inclusive Public Events was presented by Almost There and it detailed the six blended debates that happened in 6 countries between 2022 and 2024, offering insights and recommendations on how to implement inclusive public debates. The topics were on mobility, climate justice, food production and energy. The target groups were women, youth, migrants, mobile citizens, LGBTQI+ and people with disabilities.

The recommendations included:

- Theme of Inclusivity: Events were centred on themes that resonate with marginalized groups, focusing on their unique challenges and contributions.
- Diverse representation: Prioritizing diverse representation among speakers, panellists, and facilitators was key. The goal was to include voices from various ethnicities, genders, socioeconomic backgrounds, and geographical regions. This diversity enhanced discussions and offered a wide range of perspectives on environmental issues.
- Participatory methods: The methodology used in the event was pivotal in enhancing inclusion within the events. For example, our debates put into practice participatory methods such as fishbowl discussions, mindfulness exercises and articulating a vision.

- Tools for inclusivity: It is recommended to use tools such as online translators, streaming services and captioning and subtitles to enhance the equal participation of the diverse group of participants.
- Accessible spaces: It is recommended that the events are carried out in spaces that have fulfilled accessibility criteria, including some location considerations to ease the attendance of diverse audiences.

The second section on inclusive online tools was presented by Comparative Research Network and it emphasized the E-democracy platform as an outcome of the project

Among the highlights of this section is the process of creating the platform emphasizing the needs gathered during the pilot event, the technical requirements, the prototype to test and adjust the tool, to finalize with the final platform with continuous improvements based on the feedback of users. In the platform, the following sections can be found:

- Events: Resource for organising and facilitating various types of events, online and blended
- News: Informative hub providing valuable insights and updates related to the EU24 project, democracy and climate
- Forum: a place for collaboration, offering opportunities for partnerships and shared initiatives.

The platform was presented to the attendees as accessible, easy to use (with a user guide), open, safe and updated. In line with the platform, the online democracy guide was presented as a useful resource with a collection of more than 170 best practices on e-democracy tools online, the set-up instruction for online and blended events as well as a platform guide.

The third section on inclusive social media was presented by ALDA and it focused on the social media campaign that the EU24 Engage for the Planet carried out during the last months of the project: the (Un)heard voices campaign. This campaign aimed to amplify the often unseen and unheard narratives of marginalized communities in the context of the upcoming European elections. The main objectives of the campaign were:

- Showcase the stories of our voices and the importance of voting for the European Elections 2024
- Bring into light the perspectives and experiences of individuals underrepresented in political discourse (migrants, women, young and senior people, member of the LGBTQIA+ community)
- Urge citizens to expand their understanding of social issues, and actively engage with marginalized communities
- Bring citizens in general closer to EU election-related topics.

The project interviewed seven people representing different backgrounds, and through a series of compelling video interviews, it aimed to foster empathy, solidarity, and meaningful change in the political landscape of Europe. The campaign results are more noticeable on Instagram than on other social media and it emphasises the role of social media to allow the participants to have a great outreach to alike audiences, while also it was an opportunity for our audiences to get inspired by the experiences of different groups.

To finalize this section, EGEA Alumni provided a summary of the activities and the experience of the project, emphasising the information relevant to policy-makers and attendees of the event.

#### **International Poster Competition Ceremony Award:**

The last session of the event included a presentation of the international poster competition presented by the Comparative Research Network. This competition lasted from July 2023 to April 2024 on the themes of mobility, energy, food production and social climate justice. There were 30 submissions from all over the EU and beyond (USA and South Korea) which provided 900 views on the platform. The winners of all country competitions were:

- Theme on Mobility in Strasbourg – Winner: “Sustainable mobility goes beyond imagination”
- Theme on Energy in Groningen, Drenthe – Winner: “Please stop the waste”
- Theme on Food Production in Gothenburg – Winner: “When?”

- Social Justice in Berlin – Winner: “Life”, “DESign here”, and “From the earth”, “Trees provide protection from the sun”

As a result of the competition, there is one final winner for all the competition, whose work was called “Breathe” focusing on Green Walls as thermal and sound insulators. The winner was present during the final event.

### **Conclusions of the Event & Networking:**

The conference underscored the urgent need for genuine inclusion and intersectionality in addressing climate change. The proposed solutions offered valuable insights for fostering deeper cooperation and engagement across communities, ensuring that everyone has a role in shaping a sustainable future. Among the proposed solutions:

- Promoting grassroots movements by encouraging the development and support of initiatives that empower local communities.
- Facilitating the formation and operation of local groups focused on climate actions and inclusive practices.
- Ensuring open and clear communication channels with local communities.
- Strengthening global South and North cooperation and partnerships.
- Adopting inclusive language that accurately reflects the realities of underrepresented communities.
- Calling for the establishment of a future commissioner to address youth discontent and ensure their voices are heard.
- Leveraging media to highlight narratives of climate justice and inclusive practices.
- Advocating for coherent policies across different levels of government to support inclusive climate action
- Supporting climate justice initiatives that extend beyond traditional institutions, fostering broader societal engagement.
- Ensuring that policies at all levels are consistent and support inclusive and intersectional approaches to climate action.

To finalize the event, participants filled out an evaluation form. Canapes and drinks were provided fostering an engaged networking among the organizations that participated in the event. While this was happening, all the submitted posters were presented as an online exhibition with all the videos on the (Un)heard voices campaign.

## **2. Dissemination of the event**

This event was planned as significant not only because it is the final event of the project, but also because it marks the end of the outreach and sustainability phase. The final conference was highlighted among the dissemination efforts of the project from ALDA and Otwarty Plan. The date of the event was challenging to schedule, given the post-election period and the concurrent university exam sessions in Brussels. Additionally, the event had a high number of KPIs, necessitating the formation of strategic alliances with other organisations to ensure effective dissemination and participation. For this, EU24 Engage for the Planet created a partnership with the [CEE Bankwatch Network](#) and the [European Economic and Social Committee](#) (EESC) for dissemination purposes as well as with the support of their participation with a representative as speaker.

The event also benefited from the support in dissemination through the social media channels, the inclusion in their newsletters, or the internal dissemination of public organizations, NGOs or other EU-funded projects such as: [European Partnership for Democracy](#) (EPD), [European Association of Service providers for Persons with Disabilities](#), [Stad Gent](#) (Belgium), [Europe Direct Brussels](#), [European Youth Forum](#), [EaP Civil Society Forum](#), [Civil Society Europe](#) (CSE), [DiasporaVote](#), [AEIDL](#), [ECOLISE](#), [RESCoop](#), [Free University of Brussels \(ULB\)](#), [Europiamo](#), [Tour4EU](#) and [Grey4Green Project](#).

The EU24- Engage for the Planet project used the project media channels: Instagram and X for promotion and dissemination of the event. ALDA sent more than 100 invitations to organizations that may act as multipliers to support the internal dissemination and overall participation of the event. More than 6 publications on the social media channels of ALDA were posted as a reminder of the event. Partners were encouraged to disseminate among its networks and through their website. Additionally, the WP8 leaders created a [press release](#) for partners to disseminate at local and national

levels in their countries. The press release refers to an audio-visual and social media campaign made by the project: “(Un) heard voices for the planet”, that was presented during the event. The press release also contained a presentation of the project and an invitation to attend the final event. This material was also published on the partners’ websites to boost the outreach of the information.

### 3. Technical arrangements

The event was also streamed online on the website of the EESC. This link was disseminated through the project's social media channels, as well as sent by personal email to the organisations that could not attend in presence and requested the link. Project partners were encouraged to share the link with their networks. While the event was happening, the project created a hashtag #InclusiveDemocracyEU24 to follow the comments, suggestions and opinions of the followers online. This hashtag was disseminated on Instagram and Twitter.

The event was recorded and currently is part of the [YouTube](#) channel.

### 4. Participants

To attend the event, participants registered via a Google form, which had more than 120 registrations. As the venue was in a European Union building, further information such as ID numbers were required. The organisers had to contact people again to ask for this information. Most of the initial registrants reaffirmed their interest and commitment to the event by double-confirming their attendance.

The diversity of the participants and speakers enriched the quality of the discussions during the event. The final event counted different representatives of organizations, which are currently working on the topics of inclusion in their topics of expertise. It also counted on the attendance of young workers interested in the topic. As previously mentioned, each participant had a microphone in their seats so they could participate actively during the discussion. They took this opportunity to share their experiences and shape the discussion.

Among the participants, the event hosted organizations such as Alefa Disasposa, ARCIL, Belvue Museum, CEV, Diputacio de Barcelona, EPSA, GEYC, Ghent European Youth Capital 2024, Harvard Alumni, KASA PT, Municipality of Ixeless, Standup for Europe, U Thrive Europe and Vlaamse jeugdraad/ InclusieAmbassade, Youth for Exchange and Understanding.

Previous to the event, invitations were made to specific policymakers representatives such as the Belgian Presidency of the EU, the Ministry of Climate Transition, Environment, Energy, Cleanliness, Participatory Democracy, Health and Social Action Government of Brussels, the Municipality of Brussels, the Municipality of Etterbeek, MEPs representative of Renew Europe, and MEPs representative of the Group of the Greens. They all shared their interest in the event, but due to the post-election situation, they could not attend the event. However, the event counted with the presence of policy-makers not only among the participants but also among the speakers. The main outcomes and recommendations of the project were presented to them for further sustainability and possible replicability of the project activities.

### 5. Evaluation

Due to the lively discussions that took place throughout the event, time was short at the end. The evaluation form was briefly introduced to participants and as a result, the event received 18 voluntary evaluation forms. The results of these forms show that 83.3% of the respondents rated the overall experience of the event as excellent and good. An important highlight was that 94.4% of the participants agreed that the event effectively addressed the goals of promoting inclusion and diversity.

83.3% of the respondents agree that the presentations and discussions were captivating, and 83.3% rated the overall organisation and structure of the event as the two highest levels. As part of the comments to improve, participants suggested including an even more diverse panel including an ethnic diversity, and others commented that the event could have benefitted from more concrete examples about climate change, and how the participation processes and tools aid in gathering general public support for climate policies.

During the networking session, the organisers received informal and positive feedback regarding the duration and the structure of the event. After the event, the organisers also received emails from participants mentioning the importance and need for events like this on inclusion, democracy and the climate crisis.

## 6. Sustainability

The participants have received a newsletter with a wrap-up of the activities and outcomes of the project. This newsletter mainly highlights the blended debates in all the project countries with their respective country report which are publicly available. It also includes the resources available for the general public including reports and articles, the activities of the social media campaign and the poster competition. The last section of the newsletter encourages participants to keep in touch with the project activities and the upcoming final report.

It is expected that the participants take inspiration from the innovative activities carried out during the project for further sustainability in the implementation of its activities and future events, as well as the use of the resources produced. As a matter of fact, speakers have continued their communication together through email sharing interesting resources regarding the topics covered in the roundtable discussion. As direct contacts with each other, they have all emphasised their interest in working together towards inclusion and democracy. Similarly, the importance of the event has been highlighted in newsletters from projects such as the [Get the Trolls Out Project](#) and organisations such as the [European Disability Forum](#).

## II. Climate Migration as a Matter of Justice

On June 13-14, 2024, the seminar of [Fundacja Otwarty Plan](#), "Climate Migration as a Matter of Justice" took place in Krakow, focusing on climate-induced migration and its connections to social justice. The seminar aimed to explore various aspects of climate migration, including its causes, consequences, and challenges related to the protection of climate migrants as a marginalised group. The goal of the event was to seek solutions that contribute to building a more sustainable and just future. The seminar was part of the Climate Justice Program of the Fundacja Otwarty Plan which strives to address the intersecting challenges related to climate change through the lens of social justice and equality. This program aims to raise awareness, understanding, and action on climate issues, particularly focusing on marginalized communities and their vulnerabilities. Key elements of the Climate Justice Program include educational and informational initiatives to raise awareness about climate justice, capacity-building actions to increase the resilience of vulnerable communities, and policy advocacy to promote inclusive and sustainable solutions at local, national, and international levels. Partners of the events were MigLab Berlin, the Multicultural Centre in Kraków, Centre of Migration Studies of Jagiellonian University,

### Programme of the seminar:

#### Session 1: Environmental Migration: Causes, Scope and Prospects for the Future

The seminar began with an in-depth introduction to the topic of climate migration. This session covered the foundational definitions, providing a clear understanding of what constitutes climate migration and distinguishing it from other types of migration. Experts presented comprehensive global data and forecasts, highlighting the regions most affected by climate change and the expected patterns of future migrations. A key part of the discussion focused on the causes of climate migration. Experts detailed how extreme weather events, such as hurricanes, floods, and droughts, force communities to leave their homes. They explained how rising sea levels threaten coastal areas, leading to the displacement of entire populations. Environmental degradation, including desertification and deforestation, was also discussed as a critical factor driving people to migrate in search of more hospitable living conditions. A significant topic introduced was the phenomenon of trapped populations. These are groups who, due to a lack of resources and capital, cannot migrate away from areas at high environmental risk. Their inability to move makes them particularly vulnerable to the adverse effects of climate change. The seminar highlighted the urgent need for targeted policies to support these populations and mitigate their risks. Participants also delved into the far-reaching consequences of climate migration. They discussed how migrating communities often face severe social, economic, and health challenges. Socially, migrants can experience loss of community, cultural dislocation, and difficulties integrating into new environments. Economically, they often struggle with unemployment, poverty, and inadequate access to resources. Health-wise, migrants can suffer from poor living conditions, limited healthcare access, and increased susceptibility to diseases. This comprehensive introduction set the stage for the rest of the seminar, underscoring the complexity of climate migration and the multifaceted approach needed to address it effectively.



### **Session 2: Climate Migration and Human Rights**

In this session, the focus shifted to the human rights challenges faced by climate migrants. Discussions covered specific issues such as access to basic needs, legal protections, and social integration. The role of international human rights law in safeguarding the rights of climate migrants was thoroughly examined, with case studies illustrating both successes and areas needing improvement. Participants reviewed existing legal frameworks and policies at national and international levels, identifying gaps and areas for improvement. Experts shared insights into current legislation and the need for more robust policies to protect climate migrants. This session highlighted the importance of coordinated policy responses to address the complex realities of climate migration.

### **Session 3: Case Studies and Best Practices**

This session featured presentations of case studies from various regions, showcasing different contexts and successful approaches in addressing the needs of climate migrants. The focus was on the inclusion of marginalised groups, highlighting how targeted interventions can help protect and empower those most vulnerable to climate change. Participants analysed these examples to extract lessons learned and best practices that could be applied in other settings.

Key Lessons:

- Community-based approaches are effective in addressing local vulnerabilities.
- Inclusive planning ensures that marginalised groups are considered and their needs are met.
- Collaboration between local NGOs and international organisations can enhance the effectiveness of adaptation strategies.
- Integrating climate adaptation into humanitarian aid improves the overall resilience of refugee populations.

### **Session 4: How to Involve Climate Migrants in Policy Making, Design Sprint**

The session "How to Involve Climate Migrants in Policy Making?" employed the innovative Design Sprint method to develop actionable strategies for integrating climate migrants into policy-making processes. The objective was to create practical and inclusive solutions that ensure the voices of climate migrants are considered in policy decisions.

Participants identified key challenges and barriers that prevent climate migrants from being involved in policy-making. Insights from participants and experts highlighted the following issues:

- Lack of representation and political voice among climate migrants.
- Insufficient legal frameworks to support migrant participation.
- Socioeconomic barriers limiting migrants' ability to engage in policy discussions.
- Cultural and language differences hindering effective communication.

In a brainstorming session, participants generated numerous ideas and potential solutions to the identified challenges. Key ideas included:

- Establishing dedicated forums and councils for climate migrants.
- Creating mentorship programs pairing migrants with experienced policymakers.
- Developing multilingual resources and platforms for better communication.
- Implementing educational programs to empower migrants with knowledge about their rights and policy processes.

Participants then sketched out rough concepts and approaches for these ideas. Prototypes were presented to the expert and group for feedback and critique. Participants provided valuable input, leading to refinements such as: ensuring diverse representation within Climate Migrant Councils to include various migrant communities, incorporating feedback mechanisms in mentorship programs to continuously improve them, and adding features to multilingual platforms to address the specific needs of different migrant groups. The session concluded with a summary of outcomes and key takeaways. Participants discussed how the developed strategies can be implemented in real-world policy contexts. The importance of continuous engagement and dialogue on involving climate migrants in policy-making was emphasised.

The seminar "Climate Migration as a Matter of Justice" was an important step towards better understanding and addressing the issues related to climate migration. The event brought together experts, practitioners, and representatives of social organisations who jointly debated the challenges and potential solutions.

Key recommendations resulting from the seminar include:

1. Strengthening human rights protection for climate migrants by developing international legal regulations.
2. Creating flexible migration policies that consider the specifics of climate migration.
3. Increasing financial and technical support for countries most vulnerable to the effects of climate change.
4. Promoting international cooperation to better manage climate migration and share experiences.

The seminar underscored the importance of social justice in the context of climate migration and encouraged further research and collaboration across different sectors to effectively address the challenges associated with this phenomenon.

#### **Evaluation:**

The seminar "Climate Migration as a Matter of Justice" provided a comprehensive exploration of the complex issues surrounding climate-induced migration and its implications for social justice. Participants from diverse backgrounds including academia, NGOs and community organisations gathered to discuss and analyse various aspects of the topic. Here is an evaluation of the seminar:

#### **Strengths:**

**Comprehensive Coverage:** The seminar offered a thorough examination of climate migration, addressing its causes, consequences, and challenges. The inclusion of diverse perspectives enriched the discussions and provided holistic insights into the issue.

**Expertise and Insights:** The presence of knowledgeable speakers and experts provided deep insights into the nuances of climate migration. Their presentations were well-researched and grounded in empirical data, enhancing the credibility of the discussions.

**Interactive Discussions:** Engaging panel discussions and Q&A sessions facilitated interactive exchanges among participants. This allowed for the exploration of different viewpoints and the sharing of practical experiences and solutions.

**Focus on Justice:** The seminar effectively highlighted the intersection of climate change and social justice, emphasising the disproportionate impact of environmental changes on marginalised communities. This focus underscored the need for equitable solutions and policy frameworks.

**Networking Opportunities:** Participants appreciated the networking opportunities, enabling them to connect with peers, exchange contacts, and foster potential collaborations for future initiatives addressing climate migration and justice.

#### **Improvement:**

**Follow-up and Implementation:** More focus on post-seminar follow-up activities, such as creating a platform for ongoing dialogue or initiating collaborative projects, could help sustain the momentum generated during the seminar.

**Accessibility:** Ensuring the seminar materials and sessions are accessible online or in multiple languages could enhance inclusivity and reach a broader audience interested in the intersection of climate migration and justice.

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