



# EACiti – European Active Citizenship

## Good Practice of Sustainable Projects in Europe



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### Clean Energy

- Solar panels (for example on buildings)
- Wind power plants
- Hydropower plants
- Biomass power plants
- Geothermal heat absorbers (generates electricity with hot steam from the earth's interior)
- Marine thermal power plants
- Tidal power plants
- Is clean and needs very little maintenance
- Neither creates smoke/emissions nor noises
- When electricity is generated on site, waste is minimized
- Less waste equals lower electricity costs.



### Ringo – Waste management

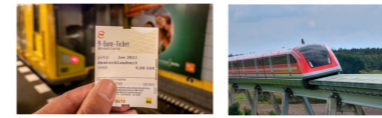
- Developed open platform to reuse packages
- Built northern Europe's largest food packaging cleaning center
- Provides collection, washing and deposit handling of registered packages
- 100 thousand disposable packaging items will not directly end up in a garbage can



### Innovation and Infrastructure

Innovations from Germany:

- Transrapid → a train powered by magnetic rails
  - "Autobahn" → first Freeway in 1924 in Berlin
  - Siri → based on AI developed in Germany
  - Airbag → by Mercedes Benz (Stuttgart)
  - Computer → "first" computer by Konrad Zuse, 1941
  - MP3- Format → made by the Fraunhofer-Institute in 1982
- What does Germany do today?
- "G-Digital" to support digitalize companies
  - 9€- Tickets for whole Germany to make traveling available
  - "Bürgergeld" (welfare benefits paid by the state) to support people who are not able to work
  - BMW started producing and exporting hydrogen cars



### Malteser

- Is an aid organisation which helps people in emergency situations regardless of religion, origins or political views
- International aid after conflicts or natural disasters
- Rescue and emergency care
- Help for homeless people
- Outpatient care
- Geriatric welfare
- Teach full-aid-courses



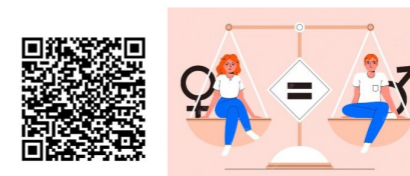
### DRK – German Red Cross

- Clothing stores stuffed by local donations
- „Coldnessbusses" in winter to give homeless people a warm place to stay
- „Debt advice service" to help people come out of their debts
- Aid center for people having difficulties finding an affordable flat
- Of course, you can only solve a problem by tackling it, but as long as the problem is not solved, the DRK offers good help.



### GENDER EQUALITY

- The Parliamentary Prayer Group succeeded in amending a law that would have made a modicum of sex education mandatory in Romania's schools
- Proposed by the Save Romania Union (USR), the one genuinely progressive party in Romania's parliament
- Romania's ranking in gender inequality has dropped from the 18<sup>th</sup> to the 21<sup>st</sup> place since 2018.
- The country is furthest away from gender equality in economic decision-making, ranking 26<sup>th</sup>.
- Since 2010, Romania's score has decreased in the domain of work and power. Consequently, Romania's ranking has dropped in these domains from the 18th to the 22nd and 21st places, respectively.



### Die Tafel – Deutschland e.V.

- Greatest social and economical project in Germany
- Founded 1993 in Berlin
- Collects food that cannot be sold anymore and gives it to needy people
- Today: more than 690 "Tafeln"
- 60.000 volunteers save 265.000t of food every year
- Other countries copied the idea



### Energy Efficiency

- How to be more energy efficient at home
- use energy efficient light bulbs
- reduce water heating expenses
- wash your clothes at a lower temperature
- use natural light
- air dry your clothes unplug your electric devices
- shower instead of taking a bath
- turn off your air condition
- turn water off when shaving, washing hands, brushing teeth
- recycle or donate your old electronic devices



### The DaZ programme - Deutsch als Zweitsprache

- Translation: "German as a second language"
- Integration/language course for children and teenagers with an immigrant status
- DaZ lessons must be offered at every school
- No grades are given, only evaluations
- Integration of students whose native language is not German depending on the individual level of language development
- Attending a gradually increasing number of regular lessons (e.g. P.E., mathematics, English, etc.)



### Farmer Cooperation Solawi

- In the Solawi Cooperation you pay a monthly fee, and you get a weekly box with ecological and seasonal foods
- You can select your foodbox, depending whether you like eggs, meat or bread
- If you don't want something you can put it in the exchange box form which other people can take it for free
- Everything is produced sustainably
- The subscription system gives safety to the farmers

