



PROJECT

At a time when hate speech is a fact and the intersection between politics and football is leading mostly adolescents to extremist political parties and to racism, a shift in the use of football, as a means to promote solidarity is more than ever imperative.

DIALECT (**D**isrupting polar**I**s**A**tion: bui**L**ding communiti**E**s of toleran**C**e through foo**T**ball) project aims to bring together youth in four European countries, i.e. Greece, Hungary, Italy, Serbia, using football as a powerful tool to promote human rights and combat intolerance and xenophobia.

It will succeed in doing so by promoting community building through football and by forming a powerful network of change, bringing together adolescents, their parents, local sports professionals and pioneer football players. This way, the programme will bring changes in the local communities and promote the values of acceptance of others and solidarity.

Through this cooperation scheme, the ultimate goal is to play football in a different way, spreading the message of "Football for All: making extreme discourses irrelevant" and disseminating the principles of equality and active citizenship.

By playing community-building football, DIALECT will create poles of understanding in local level, empowering adolescents and youth to practice on their conflict resolution skills and promoting social cohesion through the developed capacity of Civil Society Organisations (CSOs) and other local entities.

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