EVENT DESCRIPTION SHEET

PROJECT		
Project name and acronym:	Trasformative Roma Art and Culture for European Remembrance — TRACER	
Participant:	ALMA MATER STUDIORUM - UNIVERSITY OF BOLOGNA (UNIBO) IN COLLABORATION WITH UNIVERSITY OF FLORENCE (UNIFI), CENTRO DI ANIMAZIONE TRICCHEBALLACCHE (CAT), ASSOCIAZIONE CHI ROM E CHI NO (chi rom chi no), ALTO COMISSARIADO PARA AS MIGRAÇÕES I.P (ACM IP), OPEN GROUP Società Cooperativa Sociale ONLUS (OPEN GROUP), STOWARZYSZENIE ROMOW W POLSCE (StowRomPL), RIBALTAMBICAO - ASSOCIACAO PARA A IGUALDADE DE GENERO NAS COMUNIDADES CIGANAS (RIBALTAMBICAO) and UNIVERSITY OF MINHO (CIEd UNIMINHO).	
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EVENT DESCRIPTION		
Event number:	4.1	
Event name:	Collection of historical informal documentation/research	
Type:	workshops	
In situ/online:	In situ	
Location:	Italy, Portugal, Poland	
Date(s):	From December 2022 to 7 th May 2023	
Website(s) (if any):	https://www.tracerproject.eu/	
Participants		
Female:	39	
Male:	34	
Non-binary:	1	
From country 1 [Italy]:	41	
From country 2 [Germany]:	1	
From country 3 [Poland]:	9	
From country 4 [Portugal]:	21	
From country 5 [Ukraine]	2	

Total number of participants: 74	From total number of countries:	5
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Description

Provide a short description of the event and its activities.

In Italy, Portugal and Poland, the work of the young leaders continued during these months. Young people are carrying out research and documentation activities on the themes of the holocaust (Porrajmos) and the history of the Roma people.

The 6 groups of young people (Bologna-Modena; Florence, Naples; Braga; Figueira da Foz and Krakow) focused on:

- identifying privileged witnesses to be interviewed, both in the artistic and institutional spheres, with the aim of interweaving the history of the past with the present in a cross-cutting way
- create a list of possible questions to ask the interviewees to collect their experiences and stories related to discrimination of Roma people, to wars and the holocaust.

All groups conducted n. 20 interviews with some significant witnesses and experts of 4 countries (27 people in total).

The main aim of the interviews was to find out the stories of Holocaust survivors, collect the memories of the relatives of Roma deported people and the stories of people that more generally experienced war and the consequences of war and discrimination in their countries.

The 20 interviews involved 27 people in total, including:

- the President of the Sinti Community of Prato (Florence Italy) and an activist of the same community
- the Responsible of the educational area of the Prato Museum of Deportation (Florence Italy)
- some young women of Sinti community (4 young people) in Italy
- an Italian University teacher and researcher in Roma history and historical processes of European memory construction
- a former inmate of KI Auschwitz Birkenau (Poland)
- several relatives of deportees to concentration and extermination camps (Italy and Poland)
- two Roma women from Ukraine who fled in Poland in connection with the Russian aggression (Poland)
- a Roma artist (musician) and activist
- an Italian filmmaker and expert of the Roma issue
- the president of the oldest gypsy association in Portugal, founded in the 70s of the 20th century
- an elderly woman from a neighbourhood in Figueira da Foz who suffered with her husband an expulsion in her youth
- a Portuguese history teacher that talk about Holocaust teaching in Secondary Education

The videos of the interviews and documentation collected will soon be available in a dedicated area of the project website.

Links to websites where news of the events were published:

- https://www.coopcat.it/2023/04/26/tracer-memorie-della-persecuzione-rom-e-sinti/
- https://tracerproject.eu/news/young-people-involved-historical-research-and-documentation-activities
- https://www.tracerproject.eu/it/news/giovani-impegnati-attivita-di-ricerca-e-documentazionestorica
- https://www.tracerproject.eu/pl/news/mlodziez-zaangazowana-w-badania-i-dokumentacjehistoryczna

- https://www.tracerproject.eu/pt-pt/news/jovens-envolvidos-em-investigacao-historica-e-em-atividades-de-pesquisa-documental

Notes:

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Other materials (included the event description sheet) are posted on TRACER website https://tracerproject.eu/news/young-people-involved-historical-research-and-documentation-activities