



## Transnational Project Meeting, Ghent January 2025

**Title:** Building up Partnership for Development and Ensuring Quality Assurance of Learning and Teaching Materials in Dari and Pashtu

KA2 Small Scale Partnership

Date: 24–26 January 2025

### Agenda

Friday, 24 January 2025 – Arrival

- Check-in: 15:00 – 18:00, Hotel Castel, Kon. Maria Hendrikaplein 9, 9000 Ghent
- Dinner & Welcome for the Participants: 19:00. at an Afghan restaurant near the hotel

Saturday, 25 January 2025 – Meeting Day

- Breakfast: 07:00 – 08:30
- Project Meeting: 09:00 – 14:00, Meeting Room: Jeugdendienst Meeting, Kammerstraat 10, 9000 Ghent
- Lunch: 14:00 – 15:00, after that City Walk: 16:00 – 18:00 ( A combined sightseeing and cultural tour). Historical insights into Ghent's cultural heritage
- A stop at a historical café, highlighting the building's unique history
- Dinner: 18:00, in Safran Palace Restaurant, Sleepstraat108, Ghent
- Return to Hotel Castel

Sunday, 26 January 2025 – Departure Day

- Breakfast: 07:00 – 08:30 & Meeting: 09:00 – 10:30 at Hotel Castel Meeting Room
- Check-out: 11:00

## **Minutes of Meeting:**

**Welcome Evening:** At the outset, the project coordinator warmly welcomed all participants and expressed appreciation for the experienced partners (educators and trainers) participating in this project. He emphasized that this meeting will be a unique opportunity to meet in person, discuss in detail the project objectives and the overall program of the current meeting and outline the next steps.

He stated: "This meeting allows us to hear your suggestions regarding our stay and how we can work together to achieve the project's objectives. I am confident that through this meeting, we will establish an effective and well-coordinated team to build up partnerships for development and ensure quality assurance of learning and teaching materials for Afghan migrants in their mother languages."

A productive discussion followed, highlighting the challenges faced by Afghan organizations in Europe, particularly with a drastic increasing number of Afghan migrants and refugees since 2015. Many of these individuals have low skill levels, insufficient knowledge about their new countries and language difficulties and adjusting to the language, social norms, and cultural aspects of their host societies.

The participants talked about their common strengths, experiences, and resources that should be reinforced, as well as the weaknesses that must be addressed. There was a strong emphasis on teamwork, partnerships, collaboration, and close communication among partner organizations.

At 22:00, the participants returned to the hotel.

## **Day Two: Meeting and Presentations**

Each participant presented their organization and its activities through PowerPoint presentations. The session began with an Erasmus+ Overview by Ms. Lehmann, who explained the EU's Erasmus+ program (2021-2027). She highlighted its focus on social inclusion, green and digital transitions, and the participation of young people in democratic life. She hopes more Afghan organizations would be able to propose and implement Erasmus+ funding projects using its opportunities to gain educational and learning information, enhancing their skills and strengthen their capabilities.

Following participants introduced their organizations:

1. Mr. Fazel Rahman – Afghan Wolus Kultur & Sportverein, Vienna,
2. Mr. Zmarai Mohaqiq – Afghansk Kult6urforening, Copenhagen,
3. Ms. Shukria Safi – International Afghan Enlightened Women, Malmö,
4. Mr. Abdul Mutaleb Hamid – Afghan Solidarity Association, Torino,
5. Ms. Wazhma Sayle, Afghanska Kvinnors Förening i Göteborg,

6. Mr. Shahrasul Oryakhel, L'Association Solidarité et Culturelle des Afghans, Paris

7. Mr. Bashir Ahmad Bashir – Afghan Tips, Ghent, Belgium

### **KePointsy Discussion**

- Developing partnerships and synergy among organizations
- Preparation for creating a monitoring methodology for teaching and learning materials in Dari and Pashto languages
- Enhancing collaboration, coordination, and best practices among partners and expanding networks with Afghan organizations across Europe

Lunch: 14:00 & City Walk (15:00 – 17:00)

Combined sightseeing and cultural tour: All participants Visited a museums and historical places of the Ghent's heritage. Stopped at a historic café highlighting the building's unique history

Sunday, 26 January 2025 – Final Meeting

After breakfast, the participants gathered for a final discussion on preparing the monitoring methodology to enhance the quality and effectiveness of teaching and learning materials.

Key Discussion Points:

Through the tailored activities due to the concept focus should be given to the following key elements:

- Associations educators and trainers should gain further capacity and knowledge to continue their work and design new training courses for Afghan adults on different topics related to support them building up their social and educational competences.
- Supporting Afghan adults learners with low skills and education to integrate better in European society, for instance:
  - a: Designing learning courses like literacy of mother tongue and language training of the host countries
  - b: Offering specialized vocational training courses on digital education, IT, AI, digital marketing, startups small businesses, entrepreneurs and management in the mother tongue,
  - c: Expanding educational programs to include fields such as music, art, painting and driver's license courses
  - d: Creating videos and mobile apps in the mother tongue to facilitate learning
  - e: Organizing seminars about culture and society, european values , job market situation, community activities and voluntarism.

f: improving diaspora engagement & network expansion, strengthening contact and collaboration with Afghan diaspora organizations

g: sharing continuously , information, experiences and expertise about effective adult education

f: More engagement to share informations about the project and and expected outcome: Increasing dissemination efforts through social media, EPALE, and networking events

Check-out: By 11:00

### Afternoon Activity

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After check-out, some participants traveled to Bruges for an excursion and cultural exploration.



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