



Project Title:

## **Handicrafts and social economy: A driver for socially inclusive growth in the CB region**

Project Acronym:

**SocialCrafts**

**2<sup>nd</sup> Partners' meeting**

**Invitation and Agenda**

# Interreg Greece-Bulgaria SocialCrafts

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## INVITATION

2<sup>nd</sup> Partners' Meeting

Haskovo

12.03.2018 – 13.03.2018

On behalf of Business Center "Maritza" – PB5, you are cordially invited to participate in the 2<sup>nd</sup> Partners' meeting of **SocialCrafts project**, supported by Cooperation Programme "INTERREG V-A Greece Bulgaria" 2014 – 2020.

**When:** 12 – 13 March 2018

**Where:** The meeting will be hosted by PB5 in Haskovo, Bulgaria

**Aim:** To discuss the activities that have to be accomplished and to set the time framework for the actions that need to be implemented in the next months of the Project implementation. The meeting will be also to specify certain actions within the Project deliverables as foreseen in the application form in force as well as to discuss common initiatives.

Yours sincerely,

**Rayna Yovcheva,**

**Chairperson**

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## Participants

- PB1. International Initiatives for Cooperation**
- PB2. Prefectural Association of People with disabilities of Kavala's Prefecture**
- PB3. Association Regional Center for vocational education training to CCI – Blagoevgrad**
- PB4. National Confederation of Disabled People of Greece-Branch of Northern Greece**
- PB5. Association “Business Center-Maritza”**
- PB6. Union of Hellenic Chambers of Commerce**

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## Agenda 2<sup>nd</sup> Partners' Meeting Haskovo, Bulgaria

### Day 1: Monday, 12 March 2018

Time	Activity	Topics	Participants
11:30 – 12:00	ARRIVAL AND REGISTRATION. COFFEE		All Partners
12:00 – 12:15	WELCOMES		All Partners
<b>FIRST DISCUSSION SESSION</b> Moderator: Association "Business Center-Maritza"			
12:15 – 14:00	<b>WP1: Project Management &amp; Coordination</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ Short Presentation of the progress of project activities</li> <li>✓ Funding Issues</li> <li>✓ Discussion of the date of the next Partners' meeting</li> </ul>	All Partners
	<b>WP2: Communication &amp; Dissemination</b>	Comments, Inputs and Remarks by the partners on: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ Project dissemination strategy &amp; resources</li> <li>✓ Publicity events</li> <li>✓ Project web site</li> </ul>	All Partners
<b>SECOND DISCUSSION SESSION</b> Moderator: Association "Business Center-Maritza"			
15:00 – 18:30	<b>WP3: Capacity building among vulnerable groups</b>	Comments, Inputs and Remarks by the partners on: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ Awareness raising &amp; provision of personal development support</li> <li>✓ Promoting self - social entrepreneurship on traditional artisanship;</li> <li>✓ Employment support centre for inclusion in traditional handicrafts and sustainability plans;</li> <li>✓ Pilot Programme;</li> <li>✓ Open contests for novel business ideas and best ideas awards;</li> </ul>	All Partners

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	<b>WP4: Capacity building among CB artisans</b>	Comments, Inputs and Remarks by the partners on: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Preparatory studies &amp; joint strategy building</li> <li>• Fostering non-discrimination &amp; inclusive and social spirit among CB artisans</li> <li>• Guide for social employers</li> <li>• Production of Artisans Catalogue 2018</li> <li>• Traditional handicrafts festivals</li> </ul>	All Partners
17:30 – 18:00	<b>Conclusion of Day1</b>	Main Findings	All Partners

## Day 2: Tuesday, 13 March 2018

Time	Activity	Topics	Participants
<b>THIRD DISCUSSION SESSION</b> Moderator: Association "Business Center-Maritza"			
09:00 – 12:00	<b>WP5: Technology: Innovation &amp; Institutional Strengthening</b>	Comments, Inputs and Remarks by the partners on: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Joint Promotion Platform</li> <li>• Promotion of the platform and Partnership agreements</li> <li>• Observatory and impact assessment monitoring</li> <li>• Mobile app for Network members (handicraft sellers)</li> <li>• Networking with international organisations, educational institutions, etc.</li> </ul>	All Partners
	<b>WP6: Initiatives beyond the CB area and abroad</b>	Comments, Inputs and Remarks by the partners on: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• International study visits for exchange of good practices</li> <li>• National workshops for municipalities &amp; local authorities</li> </ul>	All Partners
12:00 – 12:30		COFFEE	All Partners
<b>FORTH DISCUSSION SESSION</b> Moderator: Association "Business Center-Maritza"			
12:30 – 14:00	<b>WP5: Setting the base for future steps</b>	Comments, Inputs and Remarks by the partners on: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Sustainability material</li> <li>• Building a cross-border network</li> </ul>	
14:00 – 15:00	<b>Conclusion of the meeting</b>	Main Findings of the meeting Planning the actions for the next 4 months	All Partners

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