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**COSME Project “Moving ForWarD to support the social economy
through inter-regional COOPERation and developing education and training for younger
persons — COOP FWD”**

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2nd workshop successfully implemented

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The project “COOP FWD” has been approved for a grant worth EUR 99.934,00 EUR from the European Union via the COSME programme through the call for proposals “Social Economy Missions”. The lead partner of the project is **Bjelovar-Bilogora County/Bjelovarsko-bilogorska županija**, which is a regional government in the Republic of Croatia. The project partnership covers 5 European countries (Croatia, Italy, the Czech Republic, Serbia and Hungary). The partners on the project are:

- Comune di Cavriago/Municipality of Cavriago - located in Italy
- Městská část Praha 9/Municipality Prague 9 – located in the Czech Republic
- Grad Sremska Mitrovica/City of Sremska Mitrovica – located in Serbia
- Balatonboglár Varosi Onkormányzat /Municipality of Balaton – located in Hungary

The project started on February 1, 2021 and it will last for 12 months (until January 31st, 2022).

From September 15th to September 17th, 2021, Prague 9 hosted the 2nd workshop for the project as an online workshop. The aim of the workshop was to introduce the participants to the best practices from the partner regions in social economy (Bjelovar-Bilogora County – BBZ) and develop cooperation and understanding between partners about how to promote the social economy. The best practices presented on September 15th included presentations on the projects “Homeless Blues” and “Community Garden Palenka” (in Prague 9, Czech Republic), The new education programmes for students at the Commercial School of the City of Bjelovar (in Croatia), the project “Creating Opportunities for Tailoring New Life”(Sremska Mitrovica, Serbia), the Cooperatives “Cooperativa Sociale Il Bettolino” and “Cooperativa Sociale L’Olmo” (from Cavriago, IT), and “Community and Social Employment Centre” (from Balaton, HU). On the second day of the workshop (September 16th), group work between various participants in each region was organized. Each group worked on developing solutions to various scenarios regarding the social economy in the regions. This approach allowed the participants to interact more actively and share knowledge about how they address social and economic issues in their regions.

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