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1. Introduction

This chapter in the Transnational Report will be prepared by FAST Pichl (general points)

- Aim of awareness raising campaigns
- Target groups
- Strategy and principles
- description of activities
- minimum requirements
- process of selection

Each partner country is asked to complete the following report for its selected activities.

2.1 Postcards

2.1.1 Description, Main Idea and Aim

→ postcards (number of different motifs, subjects, content ...)

We prepared 5 different postcards with 5 different motifs and messages. In addition, one bookmark was prepared using the motifs and messages from the already prepared materials.

→ basic idea behind

The idea was to promote women in forestry and to raise awareness on a fun and creative way. Therefore, we decided to make three postcards with funny illustrations and important messages and on the other two postcards, we printed beautiful forest motifs, with powerful messages. The bookmark format was used also to reach some additional channels for distribution like libraries.

main aim

The aim was to get the attention of the public and raise awareness about women in forestry sector. We wanted to point out that not only equal treatment, but also equal possibilities are important as well and that equal treatment and equal possibilities are not the same thing.

target groups

General public, forest professionals, forest decision makers, ...

> ways of distribution

We distribute postcards on different events, where different stakeholders from forest sector were present, especially people from Slovenia Forest Service, and on forest walks, mentoring workshops. Also bookmark was disseminated on different events related to forestry but also in different libraries.

possibly cooperation partners

The idea of postcards was discussed with partners from PRIZMA, translation and drawings were used by some other project partners.

2.1.2 Target achievement

number of produced and distributed postcards

We produced 250 pieces of each postcard and 500 pieces of bookmark.

The postcards were and will be used in events where forest professionals from Slovenian forest service are present, they were published at our FB where we have more than 300 followers. FB posts with postcard reached > 600 people.

2.1.3 Feedback, success factors and obstacles

give your feedback to the postcard activities from your point of view

The postcards were very well accepted. The main message used for these postcards is the need for equality in forestry and sending out a message that also women are working in forestry. For these messages drawings were used, and this idea was accepted well among different target groups.

success factors

The success factors were positive feedbacks from all people, who received the postcards. They were asking us to get more, as they wanted to share the postcards with more people.

obstacles

One of the obstacles was that during the COVID pandemic traditional – printed postcards were in many cases replaced by digital postcards – used only for promotion on social networks. We believe that with organization of events in person this will change and postcards will be used again for sending a message out to our friends.

→ external feedback (if given)

We noticed that also other partners liked the postcards, so therefore we decided to translate some of them and prepare also English version.

2.1.4 Further needs and recommendations

At the moment we still have enough postcards to distribute among people. We are still planning to organize some forest walks, where we will distribute postcards, and they will be available as a promotion material at the final conference.

2.1.5 Evidences







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2.2.1 Description, Main Idea and Aim

We made one video in which we presented women from different parts of forest sector. Another video is under preparation and will be ready in the beginning of November, covering topic on education and career paths related to forestry.

→ Videos (number of different motifs, subjects, content...)

We made one video for awareness raising campaign, the second one is under preparation. The first video is made from several short clips with short statement from women from forestry sector – the Fem4fforest project leader Nike Krajnc, employee at Slovenia forestry service Kristina Sever, forest manager and forest owner Marija Jakopin, Veronika, forestry student Zala Uhan and researcher from Slovenian Forestry Institute Katarina Flajšman.

The second video will include short clips with statements from 3 women with education and career related to the forestry. The first one is a student at Higher vocational college for wood and design, Julija Čerček, the second one is an experienced representative for the Stihl brand in Slovenia, Marijana Dajčman, and the third is young entrepreneur making jewelry and similar small items from wood, Maruša Polajnar. The main idea of the video is to present also education and career paths connected to the forestry in order to open the range of professions that the forest makes possible.

→ basic idea behind

The idea was to share the message of Fem4Forest project, which strengthens the capacity of the forest sector at local, regional, and interregional levels through the increased involvement and skills of women.

The main ideas behind were: How are women and girls impacting forests? Why is #GenderEquality key? What can you do to #FlipTheScript and support solutions for women, by women?

main aim

The aim was to promote Fem4forest project on a new, creative way and to reach a broad audience, not only in Slovenia, but also on a European level.

target groups

FB and Instagram followers of Foresteurope are forest professionals, forest owners and forest students and general public as well.

ways of distribution

The first video was published on Facebook and on Instagram of Foresteurope within their Grow green jobs campaign. It was shared by different social media users.

The first video was produced by Slovenian forestry institute team and the second one by Foundation Prizma team.

2.2.2 Target achievement

number of produced and distributed videos

We made one video, another one is under preparation. In total two videos.

> reached target groups / organizations (incl. numbers if possible)

→ FB and Instagram followers of Foresteurope are forest professionals, forest owners and forest students and general public as well. We shared the video on our Facebook page, where it reached 276 people.

2.2.3 Feedback, success factors and obstacles

→ give your **feedback to the videos** from your point of view

The video shed light on the career of women in the forest area and made them more visible. Based on our experience so far, it could be argued that many people, especially women, believe that there are not many women employed in forestry and that careers in forestry are not attractive for women. Videos with women's stories can change these beliefs.

success factors

The video, especial the short form, made from short video clips in an interesting, fun and creative way to share the message you want to tell.

obstacles

We didn't encounter any obstacles.

external feedback (if given)

2.2.4 Further needs and recommendations

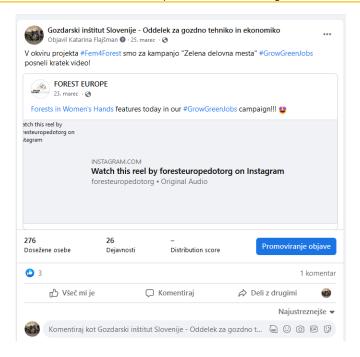
We believe that it would be good to make some more short videos and share them on the social media as an interesting video can make a great impact on people and help us to share the message that we want to tell.

Link to the video:

https://www.instagram.com/reel/Cbb_UQjKq6d/?utm_source=ig_web_copy_link&fbcli_d=lwAR3JKmEnqcLlkzoozWnoiNCwjCOYDsjTNYFTQdAx1oOk2ZABLefw1buZZZM



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2.3 Printed Articles

2.3.1 Description, Main Idea and Aim

By now, we prepared two printed articles, third is in preparation.

→ printed articles (kind of articles, content...)

We prepared two different articles for two different printed journals. One was for Kmetovalec and the other for the journal Eko dežela. In the articles we described the Fem4forest project and to promote the idea of forest walks.

The third article will present the role models from forestry sector and career opportunities that the forest provides.

basic idea behind

The idea was to present the Fem4 forest project and new forms of cooperation – forest walks.

main aim

By the time, the articles were published, we just started with the new cooperation model for women in forestry – forest walks, so this was a nice way to promote forest walks, to reach more women from forestry sector and to invite them to join.

→ target groups

The readers of Kmetovalec and Eko dežela – Diversity of private forest owners, farmers, associations, enterprises, general public.

publishing media

Journals Kmetovalec and Eko dežela.

possibly co-authors

The authors of the articles were Nike Krajnc and Katarina Flajšman. The third articled is being prepared by Janja Viher and Mateja Karničnik.

2.3.2 Target achievement

number of published articles

We published two articles.

reached target groups (incl. circulation figures)

Diversity of private forest owners, farmers, associations, enterprises, general public. It reached approximately 20000 people.

2.3.3 Feedback, success factors and obstacles

give your feedback to the articles from your point of view

Articles are good way to reach out to forest owners, forest professionals and other interested in forestry. We have our networks established but with articles you can reach out of this established networks and find also other outside this networks – for example with the article about forest walks we got several replays and requests for information from female forest owners across Slovenia.

success factors

obstacles

We didn't encounter any obstacles.

> external feedback (from readers, editors, organizations...if given)

2.3.4 Further needs and recommendations

The printed articles were a nice way of spreading information about forest walks and we would also use this way of spreading information in the future.

2.3.5 Evidences



Gozdni sprehodi (forest walks) – zanimiva in uspešna oblika povezovanja v gozdarstvu













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2.4 Posts on social media

2.4.1 Description, Main Idea and Aim

→ posts (reason, content...)

We made 16 posts about Fem4forest project, women in forestry sector, etc.

→ basic idea behind

The idea was to share the message of Fem4Forest project through social media posts and reach the public, which is present on social media – mostly younger forestry students, but also older, forestry professionals.

→ main aim

The aim was to promote Fem4forest project through social media.

→ target groups

FB of department has different followers from forest professionals, forest owners and forest students to general public

media channels

Facebook, Instagram

possibly cooperation partners

The post were made in cooperation of Forestry institute of Slovenia and Foundation Prizma.

2.4.2 Target achievement

number of posts

By now we made 16 posts within the awareness raising campaign.

reached target groups / organizations (incl. numbers of pageviews)

The Facebook page, where we posted our posts, has 1720 total likes and 2664 total followers. FB page has different followers from forest professionals, forest owners and forest students to general public.

2.4.3 Feedback, success factors and obstacles

give your feedback to the posts from your point of view The posts were well accepted.

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The posts were very successful, and we reached up to 10000 people.

- obstacles
- external feedback (number of likes, comments...)

2.4.4 Further needs and recommendations

We believe it is important to keep social media alive and to provide frequent social media posts and have constant activity that keeps the followers interested in the topic. It is important to find creative ways to present the topic. It was especially good when we reported from the events that we organized, especially forest walks. Those posts reached the most followers and received the most views.

2.4.5 Evidences

Two examples of Facebook post:





Gozdarski inštitut Slovenije - Oddelek za gozdno tehniko in ekonomiko
Objavii katarina Flajiman Ø - 5. september ob 14:16 · Ø

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Y petek, 2. 9. 2022 je v okolici koče na Magolniku potekal 2. gozdni sprehod. Zanimanje za sprehod je bilo zelo veliko, saj se je ga je udeležilo skoraj 50 udeleženk, ki so na različne načine povezane z gozdarstvom – od lastnic gozdov, revirnih gozdark, raziskovalk, študentk gozdarstva uditeljic, naravavarstvenic... Pod vodstvom Jožeta Praha iz Zavoda za gozdove Slovenije in še dveh revirnih gozdarjev, smo spoznale, kako poteka odkazilo dr... Prikaži več



1.249 Dosežene osebe

2. Evaluative summary of National Awareness Raising Activities, conclusions and recommendations

2.1 Evaluative Summary

Please rank the activities according to their goal achievement and effectiveness from the most effective to the least effective:

Ranking (1 = most effective)	Acitivity
1	Posts on social media
2	Postcards
3	Printed articles
4	Video

Please add your comments to this ranking, if wanted.

The posts at our FB helped us to send out regular information / messages to very diverse audience. With regular posts we manage to build a kind of community of followers that was reading our posts. It is efficient, it doesn't take much time and the outreach can be easy monitored.

Postcards are good way to spread some of the key messages. But some time is seams that they are outdated and that people do not use this kind of communication anymore.

Printed articles are the channel that is more orientated to professionals and less to general public. We have only few professional papers where we can publish articles like this. It takes some time to write an article but it has a specific targeted audience and large outreach.

Videos can be a good way to promote project ideas but we didn't decide to have a professional video. Video was prepared by us for the "Green job campaign" and we think that this was a unique opportunity to promote Fem4Forest project throughout Europe. The video is still available at ForestEurope web page (https://foresteurope.org/workstreams/green-jobs/real-life-examples/).

2.2 Conclusion and recommendations

Based on the experiences with the activities set in the project:

Which three activities should be set in the future in order to be able to pursue the goals of the awareness raising campaign?

	Name of the activity
1	FB posts
2	Online Articles
3	Postcards

Which adaptations should be made for these three activities to make them even more successful and effective?

Acitivity	Adaptions
1	FB posts – include more stories from women in forestry, personal experiences
2	Online articles – published also outside of the professional papers, to reach wider public
3	Postcards – to equip them with QR codes linked to other awareness raising activities like videos, articles, FB, F4F webpage