


<b>Applicant</b>	
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<b>Description of the project</b>	
Action, Measure in the framework of „Europe for Citizens” Program	Action 2 - Democratic engagement and civic participation Measure 1: Town Twinning Measure2: Networks of Towns
Deadline	Considering the 1st March of 2014 deadline for submitting projects is postponed and new deadline will be published once the Europe for Citizens program (2014-2020) is adopted by the Council of Ministers of the EU. We would like to submit Project for this new Project call of next planned call deadline on 01/09/2014.
Description of organization	Stopini municipality of Latvia. Basic facts: Area: 53.5 km2. Population: 10397 inhabitants (01.2014.). Stopini municipality is located near to Riga (capital city of Latvia) and had borders with Riga city, Salaspils, Ropazi and Garkalne municipalities. It consists of 9 villages. Territory is crossed by motorways A4, E77, E67, P4, P5. From Riga to Sauriesi goes the broad-gauge railway line. Municipality is located in Riga agglomeration.
Project idea	<p>The aim of project is to strengthen knowledge and understanding and look for similarities between different European cultures throughout getting to know historical households, handcrafts and traditions in Stopini municipality.</p> <p>Municipality is located in Riga agglomeration and this comes with lots of positive and negative issues. The population of Stopini municipality is increasing from year to year and this is great area for business development. But the same time it is hard to preserve historical traditions in this fast growing business and urbanization area as well involve Stopini inhabitants to participate in local life and let them understood the uniqueness of our municipality.</p> <p>With the help of project we would like to show that there can be founded the great historical cultural “pearls”, witnesses of Latvian historical life style – historical households, what have been remained between growing business environment and new living spaces. We would like to emphasize how important it is to preserve this historical heritage directly in agglomeration areas and through this develop tourism and do not lose historical evidence.</p> <p>Within project the representatives of Stopini municipality will introduce project members with historical households in Stopini municipality, Latvian traditions and historical</p>

	professions. There will be seminars to discuss and share experience with project partners about possibilities to develop local tourism and how to popularize these cultural values. Within project there will be develop future action plan to deal with this issue and also collaboration with project partners
Partner searched	Municipalities what are involved in agglomeration of big cities. Local museums and cultural centers of municipalities within agglomerations.

