A ReGeneration movement

Don’t Waste, Just Replace

Impact Report

October 2025 — March 2026

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Summary 01

"Don't Waste, Just Replace" (DWJR) was an independent, volunteer-based project carried out by the ReGeneration consortium, of which Asociația DIVIT and Asociația Armonie între Generații are members. This report documents what was done, the results, and what can be reused in future applications.

Context and rationale



One day per month, each community we reached in DWJR had to meet locally and organise their own swap events, meaning exchanging items they didn't use anymore.



The target group was made out of organisations that are accessing European or national funds, but the interest created around our activities made social businesses and individuals to join us.



The project started from the need to develop a network of active organisations interested in the field of the circular economy, in particular reuse and replacement instead of throwing away.

Objectives 02

- Reach at least 10 partners during the project
- To save at least 250 items during the project
- Host swap events in at least 20 different cities
- Reach at least 20 people with fewer opportunities

Targeted “fewer opportunities”

- economic obstacles
- geographical obstacles
- cultural differences
- social obstacles

What items we considered

- clothing pieces
- school supplies
- reusable kitchen supplies

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Reached Partner Organisations 03

Coordinators

Partner Name	Country, City
Eswatini Child and Youth Care Organisation	Eswatini
Akademia Evolucion	Kosovo
Brisa Intercultural	Spain, Navarredonda de Gredos
Clubul de Management Marketing URA	Romania, Sector 1 + Sector 2
Vulolu Community	Uganda

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Reached Partner Organisations 03

Coordinators

Partner Name	Country, City
Horizon Vivre	Guadeloupe
Erasmus Student Network	Italy, Venezia
San Ricardo Pampuri	Spain, Fuenlabrada
Sunce	Croatia, Split
New Way NGO	Sofia, Bulgaria

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Reached Individuals 04

Project Manager



Alexandru Constantin Nemtoc

Individual's Name	Country, City
Önder Eryilmaz	Türkiye, Amasya
Demarco Adalin	Thailand, Bankok
Petrean Florin	Romania, Campulung Moldovenesc
Gretcan Stefan	Romania, Cluj-Napoca
Nemtoc Sofia	Romania, Costisa + Radauti

Reached Individuals 04

Project Manager



Alexandru Constantin Nemtoc

Individual's Name	Country, City
Rodríguez Marta	Spain, Rivas-Vaciamadrid
Nemtoc Nicoleta	Romania, Sibiu + Suceava
Matache Alexandra	France, Strasbourg
Gerda Galinytė	Lithuania, Vilnius

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Carried Out Activities

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Each partner (organisation, business or individual) hosted their own swap event in their city under the DWJR name.

Calendar

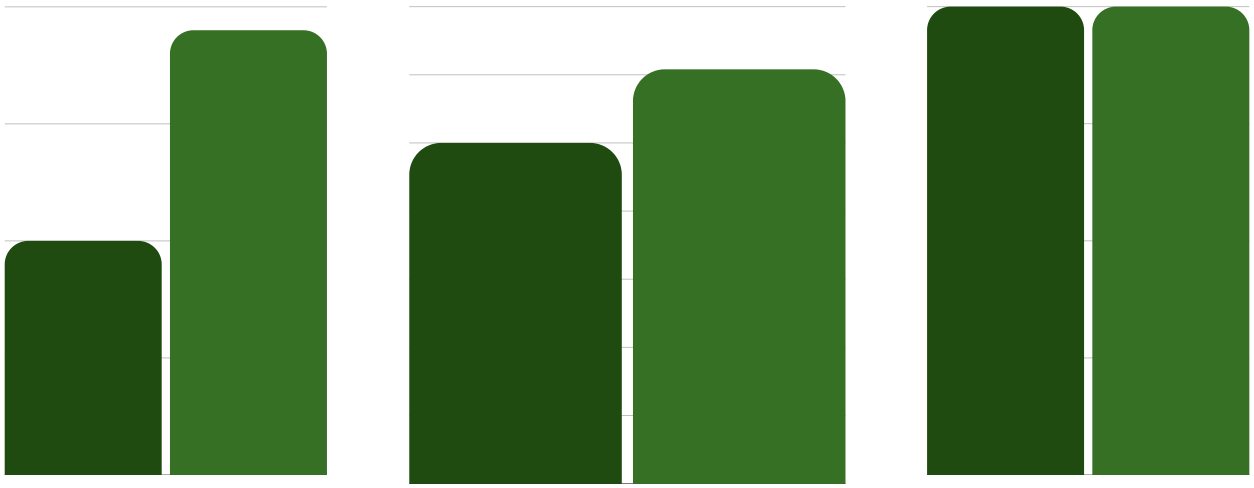
October	24 swapped items in Campulung Moldovenesc, Costisa, Cluj, Sector 1
November	new total of 40 swapped items in Bangkok, Navarredonda de Gredos, Sector 2, Sibiu, Strasbourg
December	new total of 204 swapped items in Amasya, Eswatini, Radauti, Sofia
January	new total of 260 swapped items in Venezia, Sofia, Suceava
February	new total of 304 in Guadeloupe, Prishtina, Uganda, Split, Vilnius

Results

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Goal

Reality



19	300+	20
Partners	**Items saved**	**Cities**

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Learned Lessons

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Time zones

Initially, the project was intended to have swap events during the same day every month. In reality, having many partners from many timezones made us rethink the concept as a month-long activity.

Fewer opportunities

Even if we had partner organisations working with fewer opportunities, requesting this information is very personal data. We chose to work with people we knew had fewer opportunities, without ever requesting or storing sensitive information about them.

GDPR

Most of our partners were from the European Union, but we had several cases where people participated in swap events outside the EU's territory, This made us prepare and research the equivalent legislation and documents needed for each case.

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Thank You!

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