

## Partner Search Form

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Identification of the applicant	
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Short overview of your organisation (key activities, experience)	1001 Schakels is a non-profit volunteer organisation for youngsters (12 to 25 years) from the city of Vilvoorde, aiming to achieve an inclusive community. It supports these young people from migrant – mostly Muslim - communities in their school years, in order to improve their academic results and lead to experiences of success. Our non-profit's work is based on 3 pillars : aside from education, cultural activities and spiritual development form the other two pillars that mutually support and uplift our approach. The aim is prevention : by teaching vulnerable young Muslims about universal values and the importance of education, and by organizing creative and meaningful activities in their spare time, they become grounded civilians who contribute to society with perspectives for a positive future.
Description of the project	
Strand, Measure in the framework of "Europe for Citizens" Programme (e.g. European Remembrance; Civil Society Project; Town Twinning)?	Strand 2 : Democratic engagement and civic participation  Title : Local mentorship in higher education and first work experience for youngsters with a migrant background in a European context
Timetable of the project	2019-2020 (initially)
Short description of the project, including its	We aim to provide guidance for our target group of

aims	<p>youngsters with a migrant background once they leave school, and coach them in their first years of higher education and/or mentor them in their jobhunting preparations and experiences. Just like in our existing work in supporting secondary education students, our unique concept of providing a simultaneous creative/cultural programme as well as a spiritual outlet alongside the academic or job coaching, will give these young adults stability and a sense of purpose. In doing so we aim for better integration and participation in our society.</p> <p>The concept of our local Vilvoorde operation can be applied to other EU cities with a large migrant community and a history of radicalisation risk among Muslims.</p>
Role of the partner organisation in the project	<p>To adapt the Vilvoorde concept to their own local communities, and to provide feedback and exchange on respective practices in order to strengthen and uplift each other's best implementation experiences.</p>
Comments from the applicant	<p>We believe that our unique concept of simultaneously inspiring teenagers with a migrant background in 3 aspects of their life (education, cultural activities and spiritual guidance) can be successfully applied to young adults as well. We already include 18 to 25 year olds in our cultural and spiritual activities. Our positive experiences to date give us the know-how on how to implement this project fast and with a positive outcome. With similarities in sociological developments across Europe, we feel that this concept lends itself to being shared with other EU cities.</p>