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EMPOWERMENT TOOLKIT: SUPPORTING CIVIC PARTICIPATION AND AFRO VISIBILITY

Welcome to the AFROEQUALITY Newsletter

The AFROEQUALITY project continues its work to combat racism and Afrophobia by promoting active civic participation of people of African descent across Europe. As part of this effort, the partnership has developed the AFROEQUALITY Empowerment Toolkit (D3.1) under Work Package 3 (WP3). The toolkit is now available on the project website and represents an important milestone in translating the project's research findings into practical tools for empowerment, learning, and community engagement.

A Resource for Empowerment

The AFROEQUALITY Empowerment Toolkit was designed to support people of African descent, community leaders, educators, and civil society organisations working in multicultural environments. It provides a structured set of learning materials, reflective activities, and practical guidance aimed at strengthening knowledge, confidence, and civic participation.

Grounded in the findings of the project's Integrated Afroequality Report, the toolkit reflects the lived experiences and perspectives of Afro-descendant communities in Greece, Italy, and Spain.

Key Themes of the Toolkit

Cultural Identity and Belonging

Participants are encouraged to reflect on identity as a dynamic process shaped by personal histories, migration experiences, and social contexts. Strengthening cultural identity is an important step toward building confidence and participation in public life.

Understanding Racism and Afrophobia

The toolkit addresses different forms of racism, including everyday discrimination and structural inequalities. By connecting personal experiences with broader social dynamics, participants are encouraged to critically examine the roots and impacts of discrimination.

Civic Participation and Active Citizenship

AFROEQUALITY promotes a broader understanding of civic engagement that goes beyond formal political rights. Community initiatives, grassroots activism, and collective action are highlighted as meaningful ways to participate and create change.

Digital Skills and Counter-Narratives

Recognising the importance of digital spaces, the toolkit also introduces tools for media literacy, digital storytelling, and countering stereotypes. These skills can help strengthen Afro-descendant voices and visibility in public discourse.

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About the AFROEQUALITY Project

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