

## EVENT DESCRIPTION SHEET

PROJECT	
<b>Participant:</b>	Projekt : Polska
<b>PIC number:</b>	953473917
<b>Project name and acronym:</b>	Green but Just? Engaging V4 citizens and communities to achieve a socially just green transition — JustGreen

EVENT DESCRIPTION	
<b>Event number:</b>	D11.1
<b>Event name:</b>	Report from Polish Climate Assemblies
<b>Type:</b>	Climate assemblies
<b>In situ/online:</b>	In situ
<b>Location:</b>	Poland (Warsaw, Międzyzdroje)
<b>Date(s):</b>	27.09.2025, 12.10.2025
<b>Website(s) (if any):</b>	<a href="https://justgreeneu.eu/past-events/">https://justgreeneu.eu/past-events/</a>
Participants	
Female:	34
Male:	19
Non-binary:	2
From country 1 [Poland]:	44
From country 2 [Germany]:	4
From country 3 [Croatia]:	1
From country 4 [Slovenia]:	2
From country 5 [France]:	1
From country 6 [Greece]:	1
From country 7 [Portugal]:	1
From country 8 [Bulgaria]:	1
Total number of participants:	55
From total number of countries:	8

## Description

*Provide a short description of the event and its activities.*

- Panel klimatyczny JustGreen na Campusie

The climate assembly organized as a fringe event of the Campus Academy in Międzyzdroje was a three-hour session that gathered a diverse group of young participants aged 18–35, including NGO representatives, climate activists, young entrepreneurs, and engaged citizens. The intention behind this assembly was to give a voice to young people directly shaping and experiencing the climate transition, allowing them to discuss both systemic challenges and personal motivations in driving change. The atmosphere was dynamic and forward-looking, with participants eager to explore innovative paths toward climate action in local communities and business environments.

Discussions focused on the dual role young people play—as advocates pushing for stronger climate policies and as innovators developing practical solutions. A recurring theme involved obstacles faced by the younger generation, such as limited access to funding for climate-oriented startups, a lack of stable institutional support for youth-led initiatives, and frustrations with slow political responsiveness to environmental concerns. Participants also highlighted the social barriers to climate engagement, especially the need to break the stereotype that sustainability is costly, inconvenient, or reserved for activists alone.

One of the most interesting parts of the assembly was the exchange of practical success stories—from circular-economy micro-businesses to grassroots educational campaigns—which demonstrated that tangible progress is already underway despite structural challenges. The group concluded that more inclusive collaboration between youth, local governments, and established organizations will be crucial to scale these efforts. The event ended with a strong sense of empowerment and a collective commitment to continue advocating for a just, ambitious, and youth-driven climate transition.

- Panel klimatyczny JustGreen

The climate assembly held in Warsaw was a four-hour session that brought together representatives of various organizations engaged in the green transition, informal groups connected with the Warsaw climate center, and both Polish citizens and foreign residents living in Poland. The objective of the gathering was to create a space for meaningful dialogue, where participants could share insights from practical action-research initiatives, municipal programs, and national-level policymaking. Throughout the discussions, attendees reflected on the implementation of climate and energy solutions in Warsaw and across the country, with particular attention to the everyday challenges people face when adopting new green technologies.

A key theme that emerged was the need for greater accessibility and inclusiveness in the transition process. Participants frequently highlighted communication gaps between policymakers and citizens, noting that existing knowledge-sharing efforts do not always reach the communities most affected by climate policies. Several speakers pointed to financial and bureaucratic barriers that discourage households and small organizations from investing in renewable technologies or energy-efficiency improvements. At the same time, there was broad agreement that successful transition requires long-term education, community support structures, and policies that are responsive to local contexts rather than one-size-fits-all solutions.

Despite these challenges, the assembly generated a number of promising ideas. Participants proposed mechanisms to simplify administrative procedures, strengthen cooperation between municipalities and grassroots groups, and support multilingual outreach to ensure that foreign residents can also access available climate programs. The event concluded with a shared commitment to continue this collaborative approach and to advocate for policy adjustments that make the tools of a just green transition more inclusive, better targeted, and grounded in practical experience.