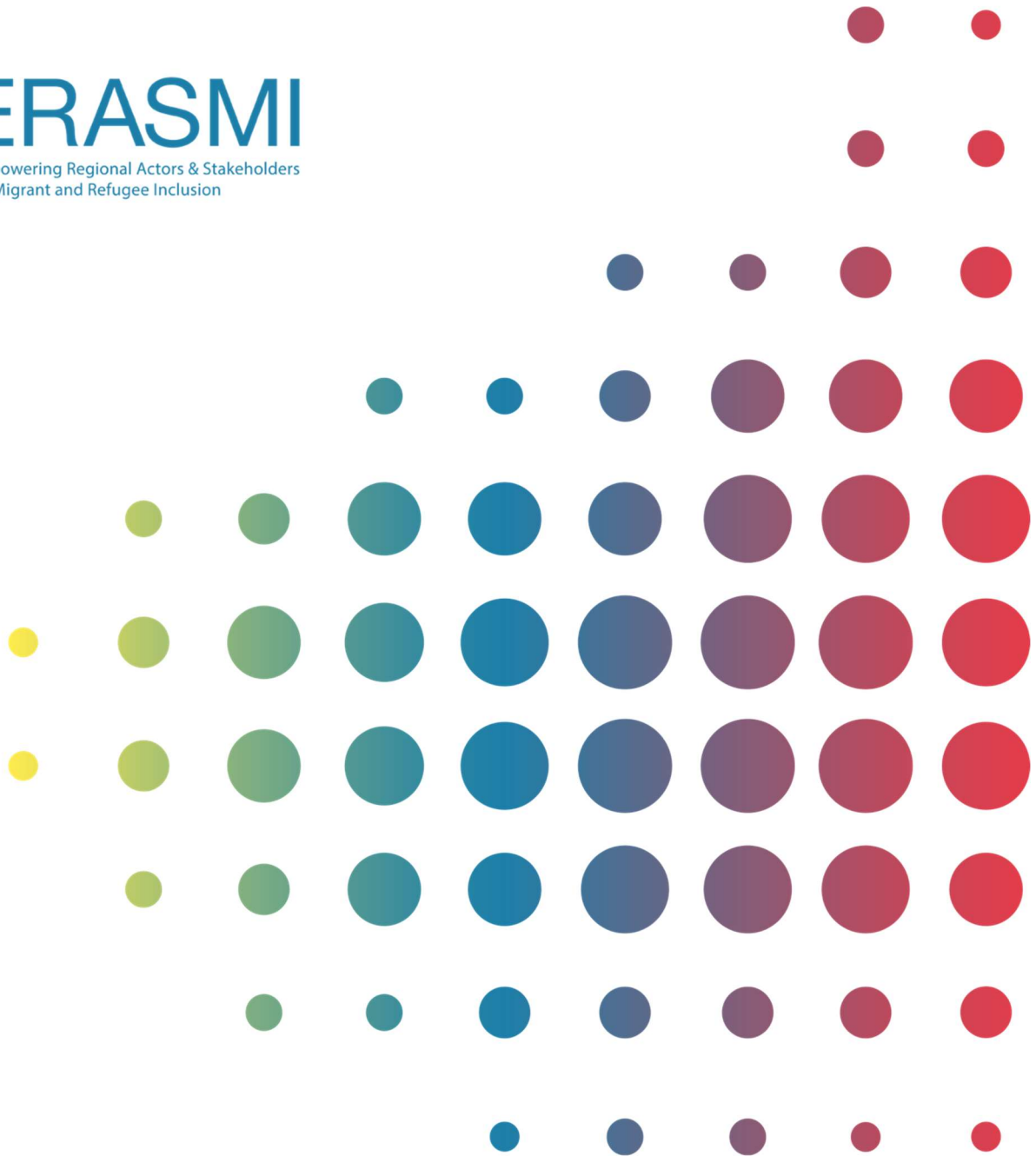




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Good Practice: TUZLA SOCIAL ASSISTANCE AND SOLIDARITY PLATFORM

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1. GENERAL INFORMATION

Name of the network	Tuzla Social Assistance and Solidarity Platform
Founding year	1991
Location	Tuzla / Istanbul / Turkey
Coordinating Organisation	Tuzla Social Assistance and Solidarity Association (Tuzla Sosyal Yardımlaşma ve Dayanışma Derneği – TUZLADER)
Degree of formalisation	Mix of cooperation agreement and soft formal agreements and norms
Members	Volunteers
Field(s) of action	Inclusion / Integration in general; Education and training; Culture and sports
Target group(s)	Refugees; Migrants; NGOs; Volunteers
Type of network	Migrant network

2. NETWORK PROFILE

Brief description	The Tuzla Social Assistance and Solidarity Platform aims to help the people and their families who moved to Tuzla after the exchange of population agreement between Turkey and Greece in 1923. The network organises symposia, panels, concerts and exhibitions in Tuzla to bring migrants together and better include them in social life. They also established a museum about the exchange of population, in which photos, documents, furniture and tools of the migrants and their families are exhibited.
Resources	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Membership fees• Donations• Ticket revenue from a founded museum (exchange of population museum)
Internal Communication & Facilitation techniques	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Network meetings, usually with an informal character (breakfast events every month, concerts and dance shows)• Social media (Facebook)
External Communication & Event formats	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Social media (Facebook, Instagram)• Regular magazine and newspaper of the network



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3. SUCCESS FACTORS AND MAIN CHALLENGES

Success factors	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • It is the only network established in Tuzla for the migrants and their families coming from Greece • The cultural events are unique to unite the target groups and inform the society about the results and impact of migration • Volunteer support • Solidarity • Sustainable approach
Challenges & Lessons learnt	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Currently the network tries to open a big culture and museum centre in Tuzla which is perceived as challenging
Evaluation & Sustainability	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Regular progress meeting as well as an annual meeting to evaluate the activities, events and the budget • Cooperation with other migrant organisations and networks to keep the network sustainable
Impact, Innovation & Transferability	Its a local approach, tailored specifically to the specific target group of migrants from Greece in Tuzla. The approach and methods used can be tranfered to other migrant networks and organisations.

4. FURTHER INFORMATION

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