

EVENT DESCRIPTION SHEET

PROJECT	
Participant:	Beyond the Horizon ISSG
PIC number:	904570106
Project name and acronym:	Immunising citizens against dis/misinformation - IMMUNE 2 INFODEMIC 2

EVENT DESCRIPTION	
Event number:	2
Event name:	Final Conference: Policy Brief & Recommendations
Type:	Survey collection events & final conference
In situ/online:	In-situ
Location:	23/9/2025 Brussels, Belgium / Paderborn, Germany 27/9/2025 Antwerp, Belgium 6/11/2025 Mechelen, Belgium 19/11/2025 Antwerp, Belgium / Leuven, Belgium 12/1/2026 Brussels, Belgium 6/2/2026 Paris, France 13/3/2026 Leuven, Belgium 18/3/2026 Brussels, Belgium 24/3/2026 Brussels, Belgium 2/4/2026 Lille, France 7/4/2026 Zaventem, Belgium 9/4/2026 Mechelen, Belgium 15/4/2026 Brussels, Belgium 6/5/2026 Brussels, Belgium
Date(s):	23/9/2025, 27/9/2025, 6/11/2025, 19/11/2025, 12/1/2026, 6/2/2026, 13/3/2026, 18/3/2026, 24/3/2026, 2/4/2026, 7/4/2026, 9/4/2026, 15/4/2026, 6/5/2026
Website(s) (if any):	https://behorizon.org/immune-2-infodemic-final-event/
Participants	
Female:	192

Male:	143	
Non-binary:	7	
From country 1 [Belgium]:	269	
From country 2 [Italy]:	17	
From country 3 [Germany]:	14	
From country 4 [France]:	13	
From country 5 [the Netherlands]:	8	
From country 6 [Poland]:	4	
From country 7 [Spain]:	4	
From country 8 [Finland]:	4	
From country 9 [Austria]:	3	
From country 10 [Cyprus]:	2	
From country 11 [Sweden]:	1	
From country 12 [Slovakia]:	1	
From country 13 [Estonia]:	1	
From country 14 [Ireland]:	1	
Total number of participants:	343	From total number of countries: 14

Description

The work package consists of two kinds of events: 1) survey collection actions and 2) the final event.

Survey collection:

A series of events was organised to collect answers from citizens in European countries. In total we reached 329 citizens from 13 countries between September 2025 and April 2026.

Date & Location: 23/9/2025, Brussels, Belgium (a desk at event of EuroHub4Sino project)

Target Group: Professional audience

Participants: 18

Date & Location: 23/9/2025, Paderborn, Germany (a desk at the Living Lab event of INNOVADE project)

Target Group: Professional audience

Participants: 13

Date & Location: 27/9/2025, Antwerp, Belgium (a desk at Facts 2 Act event organised by Hannah Arendt Institute)

Target Group: Civil society sector

Participants: 13

Date & Location: 6/11/2025, Mechelen, Belgium (a desk at Facts 2 Act event organised by Hannah Arendt Institute)

Target Group: Civil society sector

Participants: 15

Date & Location: 19/11/2026, Antwerp, Belgium (a desk at Karel de Grote university of applied sciences)

Target Group: University students

Participants: 17

Date & Location: 19/11/2026, Leuven, Belgium (a desk at KU Leuven)

Target Group: University students

Participants: 10

Date & Location: 12/1/2026, Brussels, Belgium (a desk at VUB)

Target Group: University students

Participants: 8

Date & Location: 6/2/2026, Paris, France (a desk at the 4th Eumans Congress)

Target Group: Civil society organisations, youth, professionals, policy makers

Participants: 25

Date & Location: 13/3/2026, Leuven, Belgium (self-organised event in the neighbourhood)

Target Group: Families, parents, young adults

Participants: 18

Date & Location: 18/3/2026, Brussels, Belgium (self-organised action in the neighbourhood)

Target Group: Young adults

Participants: 8

Date & Location: 24/3/2026, Brussels, Belgium (self-organised action in the neighbourhood)

Target Group: Young adults

Participants: 10

Date & Location: 2/4/2026, Lille, France (a desk at the final event of NOTIONS project)

Target Group: International professionals working in security, experts

Participants: 15

Date & Location: 7/4/2026, Zaventem, Belgium (self-organised action)

Target Group: Professionals

Participants: 36

Date & Location: 9/4/2026, Mechelen, Belgium (self-organised action in the neighbourhood)

Target Group: Elderly people

Participants: 6

Date & Location: 15/4/2026, Brussels, Belgium (a desk at UCL)

Target Group: University students

Participants: 116

Content of the events: The participants received a short introduction to the project and the survey. They could scan the QR-code to bring them to a digital platform called 7lms. Answering was available in 17 languages. The locations were selected to reach respondents that represent different countries and regions, genders, and ages. The interventions included having a desk at various events, at universities, and doing self-organised actions in neighbourhoods.

The content of the survey included four sections: 1) Demographics and media usage habits, 2) Critical thinking and self-evaluated resistance to disinformation, 3) image-based evaluation of disinformation, and 4) influence-based evaluation of disinformation. The aim of the survey was to 1) collect information on media consumption habits, 2) assess the respondents confidence and ability to resist manipulation and 3) measure how worried citizens are when it comes to disinformation on climate, AI and FIMI.

Results: the participants were made aware of disinformation and the importance of being able to resist it. In addition, our project team gained important inputs through the survey.

After receiving the answers, the survey was closed and the answers were analysed. Based on the analyses the project team formulated policy recommendations that were shared at the final conference.

The Final conference:

Date & Location: 6/5/2026, Brussels, Belgium

Target Group: young adults, policy makers, experts, academia

Participants: 14

In total there were 23 participants at the final event, but 5 female and 4 male participants took part in the survey as well as the final event and were deducted from the total count.

Content of the event: The event started with a keynote, presentation of the project events and survey results, and the policy recommendations based on it and the expertise of the project team. After that, the programme continued with two panel discussions, including experts on citizen engagement, climate, AI, and FIMI. The first panel focused on sharing experiences on reaching difficult or marginalised groups. The second panel dealt with the current situation and the future of disinformation, with special focus on AI, Climate, and FIMI. Citizen resilience was discussed as well, including its limits, the role of the large social media platforms, and the need for government action in the fight against disinformation. At the end, the audience had time for questions and answers.

The results: The event served for strengthening the European networks that together aim to resist the spread and impact of disinformation. The policy recommendations aimed at bridging the gap from the citizens experiences to the European policy makers. The discussions highlighted the urgency for action on many levels in the society to respond to the threats that disinformation poses, especially when amplified by AI.