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ANCI Lazio coordinates the development cooperation project "**GenerACTOR - Community gardens as a GenerACTOR for good governance, active citizenship and participation**", co-financed by the European Commission (Contract no. CSO-LA/2021/171273-3/13). As the title mentions, the project insists on the creation of community gardens in the urban area of Barranquilla (Colombia), as an instrument for good governance, active citizenship and participation.

The main objectives of the project are **a) strengthening the capacities of local authorities** and communities to co-create sustainable urban transformation strategies, **b) development of a participatory model for the design and implementation of urban community gardens and green public spaces**, **c) the implementation of a networking strategy as a tool for knowledge exchange and sustainability**, thus contributing to strengthening the multi-level governance of the city of Barranquilla (Colombia), integrating urban and rural communities into sustainable development initiatives and contributing to reducing the levels of poverty and food insecurity of the most vulnerable communities, in particular migrants, based on innovation and circular economy approaches.

This logic of intervention has been adopted to favor new models of urban development in order to implement the commitments of the **Global Green Deal and the SDGs and promote the integration of the most vulnerable populations and the reduction of their levels of vulnerability**. The economic and social situation of Barranquilla in the post-covid context and the high number of Venezuelan migrants in the city testify to the importance of the project. The main assumption for the intervention is that no major external political, social or economic events adversely affect the relationship between residents and local authorities and that no significant change in the political reality of Venezuela leads to massive waves of migrants returning to their homeland. This project action also aims to strengthen the multi-level governance of the city of Barranquilla and to reduce the levels of poverty and food insecurity of the most vulnerable communities (especially migrants), in the long term helping to promote inclusion and sustainability urban development in the city of Barranquilla in line with the SDGs and the Global Green Deal.

The GenerACTOR project is coordinated by ANCI Lazio and has as partners:

- Mayor's Office of Barranquilla (Colombia)
- Siembra Barranquilla (Colombia)
- Risorse per Roma (Italy)
- Replay Network (Italy)

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