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Applicable to the Strand 2 – Measure 2.1 "Town-Twinning"

Participation: The project involved 862 citizens, notably 750 participants from the town of Kalinkovo (**Slovakia**), 28 participants from the city of Dabas (**Hungary**), 28 participants from the town of Dolní Dunajovice (**Czechia**), 28 participants from the city of Stará Pazova (**Serbia**), 28 participants from the city of Suplacu de Barcau (**Romania**)

Location/ Dates: The event took place in Kalinkovo (**Slovakia**), from 05/07/2019 to 07/07/2019

Short description:

The day of 05/07/2019 was dedicated to two main topics: the future of Europe and the multiculturalism of Europe. The program started with a welcome of foreign guests and a presentation of the Europe for Citizens programme as well as the event program. The opening of the #CultureInEurope exhibition followed. It was an exhibition of traditional elements of individual nations - clothing, tools of daily use, old photographs, which presented the cultural heritage of individual nations. This has brought to the forefront the knowledge of partners through cultural elements. The subsequent discussion was devoted to the European Union. Its history as well as its possible future direction were presented. We have thus responded to the current problems within the EU affecting each member country. The need to strengthen links between all EU countries has been raised through a joint discussion. The educational part of the program also continued with a seminar on the future of Europe. Here, the participants were introduced to topics related to current events in the EU (Brexit, rising of populism and Euroscepticism, etc.). The participants discussed these topics and thus became a possible future for Europe. The evening belonged to social activities and connecting of citizens.

The day of 06/07/2019 was dedicated to the familiarizing with the cultural heritage of the European Nations. They dealt with this topic from different perspectives. At first it was a presentation of projects in the field of cultural cooperation, in which the partners participated jointly or separately. The Town Twinning projects, which were jointly implemented by the partners in 2016 and 2018, were also presented here. An entertainment arena was prepared for the youngest participants during the day. Here the children had the opportunity not only to play, but also to meet new friends from other countries. In the morning, the partners focused on solidarity. Partners and their active citizens discussed different areas of solidarity - minorities in EU countries, migration. Furthermore, a lecture on the importance of cultural heritage was held. The partners also focused on the protection of fundamental human rights. Young people from partner municipalities attended a model session of the European Parliament. This activity has helped them to become interested in the European Union. For the participants was prepared a film corner. Films on migration were screened. These were documentary films capturing the migration wave of 2015/2016, but also the establishment of foreigners in EU countries. The evening belonged to traditional culture, namely to presentations of traditional culture and folklore of individual partner villages. Later, they were joined by a presentation of modern contemporary culture.

The day of 07/07/2019 was dedicated to sport, cooperation and the future. The morning belonged to sports as well as cooking traditional specialties of the nations present. The presentation of their gastronomic creations took place later in the afternoon. The aim was to bring the participants closer together. A discussion was held between representatives of municipalities. They discussed together partnership, culture, cultural heritage. This exchange of experience has brought new ideas to the partnership. Activity was followed by discussion, which was attended by ordinary citizens. Together they were looking for project ideas for cooperation projects. The project was completed by evaluation.