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

Participation: The project involved 278 citizens, notably 100 participants from the city of Tuchomie (Poland), 44 participants from the city of Conca della Campania (Italy), 44 participants from the city of Breklav (Czech Republic), 45 participants from the city of Vairano Pantenora (Italy), and 45 participants from the city of Obec Chorvátsky Grob (Slovakia).

Location/ Dates: The event took place in Tuchomie (Poland), from 15/09/2019 to 24/09/2019

Short description:

The day of 15/09/2019 was dedicated to the welcoming of the participants and to the integration. A presentation of the activities and of the timetable of the activities was done.

Creation of a positive environment and of a sense of fellowship among the participants and involvement of local community and volunteers in the activities.

The day of 16/09/2019 was dedicated to giving information on the background of the migration problem and its history and to sharing histories from the involved countries. A past history of the Union was drawn for understanding where we come from. Each participant could daily leave his impressions, experiences, suggestions, memories, that remained as an output of the Project.

The day of 17/09/2019 was dedicated to accretion of the knowledge of the Union's history, aims and values. Fostering of the overcome of stereotypes inside the Union, as a point to clean the space for the understanding of third-country nationals: stimulation of debates, confrontation and mutual understanding and exchange of best practices and promotion of social engagement and integration with locals.

The day of 18/09/2019 was dedicated to the achievement of information to deconstruct xenophobic propagandas, with the help and intervention of experts. Comprehension of where does the feeling of closing and opposition to "the others" come from with the active involvement of third-country nationals and experts in the activities. Practical involvement of each participant in the activities and assimilation of the information, gathering of positive counter-narratives and fostering mutual understanding and comprehension of diversities.

The day of 19/09/2019 was dedicated to integrational and aggregative activities through cultural visits. Enhancement of the knowledge about the processes of past integration and positive influence of moving population in Europe. Best practice exchange at wider national level and involvement of local authorities and experts on the themes selected. Transmission of tools to understand how movements of people shaped Europe and active involvement of citizens in the activities.

The day of 20/09/2019 was dedicated to fostering mutual understanding of the others with an active listening of direct experiences. Direct involvement of third-country nationals and enhancement empathy and solidarity with the comprehension of "the others". Practical involvement of participants and locals in the activities: experimentation of a situation of crisis to add new information to counter-narratives with the promotion of solidarity at EU level.

The day of 21/09/2019 was dedicated to the enhancement of the knowledge about national and EU policies and the knowledge on the actions in the field of shelter with the intervention of experts and authorities. A reflection on the

actual status of border protection and on the real data of immigration in Europe was focused with the involvement of authorities at local and European level through practical activities for an active assimilation of the information by the participants.

The day of 22/09/2019 was dedicated to the reflection on how the negative perception of immigrants affects EU values and its influence on integration and inclusion at Union Level through creation of counter narratives to oppose disgregative and non-solidal feelings. Fostering the reflection on Union's values and exchanging of best practices, ideas and suggestions for a tighter knit European solidarity tissue through the involvement of local associations and volunteers in the activities.

The day of 23/09/2019 was dedicated to the involvement of the community in EVLAN;
The Europe For Citizens Project was presented together with the project results and achievements.
Involvement of the participants in drawing the conclusions of the Project and in the transmission of knowledge citizens to citizens. The counter narratives build in the Project were transferred to the citizens. Establishment of a friendship and cooperation group for the future.

The day of 24/09/2019 was dedicated to the planning of future collaborations and drafting of common themes to be addressed in the future.