

The project « Days of the European citizenship in the spirit of history, volunteerism and traditions » was funded with the support of the European Union under the Programme "Europe for Citizens"

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

Participation: The project involved 265 citizens, notably 100 participants from the settlement of Velké Kosihy (organization ECCLESIA, Slovakia), 60 participants from the organization of Del-Europai Egyuttmukodesek Fejleszteseert Szolgáltato Kozhasznú Nonprofit Kft. (Röszke, Hungary); 30 participants from the organization of Udruzenje Seljaka Subotica/Farmers Association of Subotica (Bajmok, Serbia), 45 participants from the organization of Kyjovske Slovacko v pohybu (Kyjov, Czech Republik) and 30 participants from the organization of Miejsko-Gminny Dom Kultury (Konskie, Poland).

Location/ Dates: The event took place in Komo a (Komo a, Slovakia), from 07/08/2015 to 09/08/2015

Short description:

7th August 2015

The first day started with the arrival of partners, common welcome, sharing of the logistics tasks, and accommodation of guests and starting of the program itself. International visitors started arriving early in the afternoon. They learned about the area, the venues and the program points of the event through a brief description. After the opening ceremony of the event the partners presented their municipalities, organizations and activities that have become traditions in the life of the communities. This was followed by a professional discussion, in the frame of which the delegations of the international and local gestor organizations reported on successful international and national projects. The exchange of experience proved to be all the more important for the partners, since the successfully implemented projects containing useful ideas could be applied in other countries as well. The program devoted to more serious themes was complemented by common evening entertainment, during which the participants could get to know each other better and deepen their bonds of friendship by having fun at light pop music.

8th August 2015

The second day of the event started with a voluntary action after breakfast. The activity "Bring a book!" was the idea of the gestor organization, according to which the partners and guests coming from the region could bring their redundant books and offer them to families, libraries, schools and hospitals, where people have less access to e.g. fiction or collections of fairy tales. The charity activity was continued by the program "Our place in the EU", in which the participants discussed the engagement of European people under the coordination of Europe Direct leaders. This topic was completed by a lecture on democracy and the quiz on the European Union. Youth and children could listen to tales in the tale block named "Once upon a time ..." and could tell a clever story about themselves. The activity "Games without frontiers" addressed all ages, here the participants could play beach football, bubble football, try stilt-walking and other skill and quiz games. The sport program was complemented by more serious thematic discussions. Those who were open to historical themes took part in the open forum "Has the Berlin Wall really fallen?" which was available for all generations. The evening program was provided by the performances of traditionalist guest groups and the dance house lasting till late at night.

9th August 2015

Besides these, the very impressive "Craft Archipelago" continued all day long and the Bergendócia, Ördögszekér, Vackörte, Csillagösvény Ópusztaszer Adventure Park and Arvisura groups from Hungary performed. The program of the last day started late in the afternoon due to the late night activities. First, the guests took part in a joint worship at the Reformed Church, the festive atmosphere of which was felt in the framework of the traditional common Sunday lunch, too. The intimate atmosphere was heightened by a little trip in the area, as well as through the common bath. Late in the afternoon, after the evaluation, the guests bid farewell and went home.