

EVENT DESCRIPTION SHEET

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PROJECT	
Participant:	[1] - [GYORKONY KOZSEGI ONKORMANZAT] (Györköny)
PIC number:	884235705
Project name and acronym:	Renew Europe Being United In Local Difficulties — REBUILD

EVENT DESCRIPTION	
Event number:	1
Event name:	Multilateral Meeting
Type:	International Meeting with theoretical, practical and cultural activities.
In situ/online:	<i>In situ</i>
Location:	Györköny (Hungary)
Date(s):	From March 30th to April 3rd 2023
Website(s) (if any):	https://www.gyorkony.hu/gyorkonyhu/index.php
Participants	
Female:	140
Male:	110
Non-binary:	
Hungary :	53
From country 2 Romania :	33
From country 3 Slovakia :	33
From country 4 Austria :	33
From country 5 Italy :	33
From country 6 Spain:	33
From country 7 Czech Republic	32
Total number of participants:	250
From total number of countries:	7

Description

Provide a short description of the event and its activities.

During the International Meeting in Györköny (Hungary), European-wide activities were held from March 30th to April 3rd 2023.

During these 5 days, participants took part in a series of theoretical, practical and cultural activities, exchanging best practices to enable mutual understanding: lectures, seminars, brainstorming, round tables, workshops, social and cultural activities and visits, etc.

All these activities were chosen to promote understanding and knowledge among participants of what it means to be a European citizen by comparing and learning about the different cultures and customs of the various countries belonging to the European community.

All topics in the project proposal were discussed through both formal and non-formal methods.

On March 31st, the workshops were held starting with discussion activities which have been initiated by the questions: What is meant by solidarity?, What does it mean to be a European citizen and which are the added values of different cultures and habits?.

The conference and workshops were very constructive to the opening and dissemination of an active dialogue, encouraging active participation of both locals and young participants.

During the 2nd part of the workshop has been discussed the importance of volunteering in small communities with the Volunt. Association of Györköny and there have been many positive outcomes in that the general opinion claimed that it is crucial for several reasons: volunteering plays a key role in promoting social cohesion, responding to local challenges and creating a sense of shared responsibility, can help bridge the gaps by providing much needed manpower, skills and resources to support various community development projects, supports the maintaining of public spaces, organizing events or providing services to vulnerable population groups, volunteers make an important contribution to the overall well-being of the community.

On April 1st the delegations joined the local volunteering group by helping to organize meals, set up cellars, or clean up the streets. These actions had many positive outcomes for individuals as well as the community, it helped people learn more about local problems and encouraged them to participate and try to find a solution.

Other significant impacts of this actions were:

- Helped people to make meaningful contributions, improve their perceptions on small realities and create positive change;
- Provided an opportunity to learn new skills as teamwork, problem solving and improve existing skills and gain valuable experience;
- Brought individuals together with similar interests and values;
- Created interaction among people from different backgrounds;
- Created a cycle of positivity and engagement that led to greater community engagement and greater overall impact.

In addition to this, the cultural visits and hands-on activities were essential to understanding the differences but at the same time the similarities between countries.

During the 5 days of the project there were numerous opportunities to taste local and identity products from the Györköny area, but in addition to tasting it was possible to take part in the entire production process of the various products.

These cultural occasions were also very interesting having been an opportunity to come into direct contact with the folkloric aspect of the local community.

Another very relevant activity for the purposes of the project with the aim of enhancing small communities was the participation in actions together with the Györköny volunteer association.

All REBUILD participants were included and introduced to the working methods of the local voluntary action.

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1.0	01.04.2022	Initial version (new MFF).