

EVENT DESCRIPTION SHEET

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 Please provide one sheet per event (one event = one workpackage = one lump sum.)

PROJECT	
Participant:	Municipality of Biely Kostol
PIC Number:	886777881
Project name and acronym:	Wind of Change! - Change

EVENT DESCRIPTION	
Event number:	1
Event name:	Wind of Change!
Type:	A three-day international event
In situ/online:	<i>In situ</i>
Location:	Country: Slovakia, City: Biely Kostol
Date(s):	09.06.2023-11.06.2023
Website(s) (if any):	https://www.bielykostol.sk/obec-2/projekt-wind-of-change/
Participants	
Female:	550
Male:	550
Non-binary:	0
From country: Slovakia: Biely Kostol:	934 participants
From country Czech republik Sitborice :	94 participants
From country Austria: Petronell Carnuntum	72 participants
Total number of participants:	1100
From total number of countries:	2
Description	
<i>Provide a short description of the event and its activities.</i>	
<p>The event of the implemented project in the village of Biely Kostol responded to the needs of the society of the EU countries. In connection with the creation of logical units of connected activities, we created an event program that corresponded with the goals and values of the CERV program, falling under the European Executive Agency for Education and Culture managed by the European Commission. That is why their composition was very diverse - the</p>	

participants received meaningful impulses to show their educational background to express their own opinion. In addition, they met new people whose entertainment and national traditions are different, but interesting and attractive. The project was a harbinger of tolerance and acceptance of differences in society. Values cannot be taught, they are ingrained in our nature. We achieved the goals described above by organizing an event in the village of Biely Kostol, which represents the location of the project applicant. Support for the exchange of information between citizens was mediated by a closer characterization of policy initiatives: Action Plan for European Democracy, EU Strategic Framework for Roma Equality, Inclusion and Participation, Strategy for Strengthening the Application of the EU Charter of Fundamental Rights, EU Citizenship Report 2020.

By implementing the event, we increased the emphasis on the following issues:

- Increasing awareness of the richness of cultural and linguistic heritage
- Increasing awareness of the importance of strengthening the European integration process based on solidarity
- Strengthening the feeling of European belonging by supporting the debate on the future of Europe
- Taking into account the impact of the COVID 19 pandemic on local communities

The municipality of Biely Kostol ensured the management of the project in cooperation with internal capacities - members of the project team. The creation of the program of the event was a lengthy process that took into account the needs of EU citizens, which were reflected in the concept of the project "Wind of Change!". The first day of the event was focused on the introduction of the partner municipalities and the welcoming of the statutory representatives of the municipalities of Sitborice and Petronell Carnuntum. In the past, the village of Biely Kostol participated in organizing social events for residents, which created a harmonious environment in society. The event of the organized project represented the output in the form of individual activities focused on the topics and priorities of the CERV program such as solidarity, belonging, volunteering, European citizenship, education in the areas of basic human rights and gender equality. The program of the second day represented a combination of educational and social activities in the form of interactive games, presentations, seminars and workshops for the participants of the event. The activities of the event initiated the uniqueness of the EU nations in the way of accepting the diversification of cultural customs and the development of the European identity. The day ended with a social evening of the partner countries connected with the tasting of specialties and wines of the local region. We opened the last day of the event with a solemn mass in the Local Church of Christ the King in Biely Kostol. Subsequently, we organized a gastronomic cake-baking competition in cooperation with the association "For our White Church". We supported basic human rights and the rights of national minorities by screening a film about national minorities in the Slovak Republic, the Czech Republic and Austria. The conclusion of the event was carried out in the spirit of continued cooperation between the partner municipalities and the collection of citizens' subjective opinions about the EU. As a sign of acceptance of cultural differences, we ended the event with a farewell symbol in the three languages of the partner municipalities. We realized the event with regard to co-financing from EU resources, with the sign and logo "Funded by the European Union". After the event, there was a significant progress in the understanding of European initiatives, but also in public opinion, which, based on the successes, realized the need to transition from traditional to modern, not only in the field of education, but e.g. in social affairs, too.

HISTORY OF CHANGES		
VERSION	PUBLICATION DATE	CHANGE
1.0	01.04.2022	Initial version (new MFF).