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**Empowering Communities in Europe project aimed to deconstruct the process of migrants' stigmatisation and to foster intercultural dialogue and mutual understanding. The project involved local leaders and selected communities to overcome stereotypes and develop counter narratives for more accurate perceptions of migrants and refugees arriving to Central Europe. The project was led by the British Council in Poland and delivered together with civil society organisations in Poland, Romania, Hungary, Croatia, Bulgaria, Czech Republic and Slovakia.**

**Below is a list of the events that were organised within the framework of this project.**

**Event 1 – Kick Off meeting**

**Participation:** The event involved 22 citizens, including 13 participants from the city of Warsaw (**Poland**), 1 participant from the city of Bucharest (**Romania**), 2 participants from the city of Budapest (**Hungary**), 2 participants from the city of Zagreb (**Croatia**), 2 participants from the city of Bratislava (**Slovakia**), 1 participant from the city of Prague (**Czech Republic**), 1 participant from the city of Sofia (**Bulgaria**)

**Location / Dates:** The event took place in Warsaw, Poland from 09/03/2017 to 10/03/2017

**Short description:** The aim of the event was to officially launch the Empowering Communities in Europe (ECE) project and discuss and plan activities within its framework. The following phases of the project were enumerated and discussed during the meeting: (1) the Give Me a Voice research, during which opinions would be gathered from selected communities via focus group interviews (FGIs); (2) Be the Change Event which will engage chosen community leaders; (3) Me-You-We workshops, to engage community members to exact a change; and finally (4) the Exit Conference which would focus on the call to action, or the change, that partners of the project would wish to see in the communities. The meeting also included an introduction to the Active Citizens methodology and a thorough discussion on the Give Me a Voice research methodology.

**Event 2 - Be the Change Event**

**Participation:** The event involved 20 participants. The countries represented were: **Romania, Bulgaria, Slovakia, Czech Republic, Poland, Hungary and Croatia.**

**Location / Dates:** 15-20/10/2017 - Brač, Croatia

**Short description:** The principal challenge of the Be the Change workshop was to ensure a synergetic relationship between the aims of the Active Citizens programme [building trust and understanding and sustainable development] and the Empowering Communities in Europe project objectives in furthering understanding and collaboration between professionals working in the field of migration and refugee engagement in 7 countries in Central Europe. The workshop was crafted in order to utilise methodologies and content from the British Council's Active Citizens Programme, as a platform to support the work of the organisations participating. The workshop followed relatively closely a tried and tested flow, to introduce and embed the Active Citizens theory of change which follows a Learning Journey metaphorised as The River. The learning journey enabled participants to explore a critical path from individual identity and culture, utilising skills for intercultural dialogue, towards community-based collaborations, culminating in social action projects planning. Home Team leaders reported that despite some initial setbacks in the facilitation practice Home Team sessions, the participants were competent and confident to deliver community workshops using the content and methodologies tailored for ECE project. Overall, the Be the Change workshop was a successful intervention, introducing Active Citizens content and methodology to an established international group of professionals working on refugee engagement and equipped them with motivation, skills, knowledge and networks to deliver community workshops and identify social actions.

# 15 Events in Bulgaria have been carried out within this project:

## Event 3 – Focus group discussion

**Participation:** The event involved 9 citizens from the city of Belene (**Bulgaria**)

**Location / Dates:** The event took place in Belene (**Bulgaria**), on 24/06/2017

**Short description:** The aim of the event was to collect young people's input on their attitudes towards migrants and refugees. The event was a focus group discussion.

## Event 4 – Focus group discussion

**Participation:** The event involved 6 citizens from the city of Harmanli (**Bulgaria**)

**Location / Dates:** The event took place in Harmanli (**Bulgaria**), on 29/06/2017

**Short description:** The aim of the event was to collect young people's input on their attitudes towards migrants and refugees. The event was a focus group discussion.

## Event 5 – Focus group discussion

**Participation:** The event involved 8 citizens from the city of Sofia (**Bulgaria**)

**Location / Dates:** The event took place in Sofia (**Bulgaria**), on 08/07/2017

**Short description:** The aim of the event was to collect young people's input on their attitudes towards migrants and refugees. The event was a focus group discussion.

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## Event 6 – Me-You-We national workshop

**Participation:** The event involved 30 citizens, including 22 participants from the city of Sofia (**Bulgaria**), 1 participant from the city of Petrich (**Bulgaria**), 1 participant from the city of Popovo (**Bulgaria**), 1 participant from the city of Vratsa (**Bulgaria**), 1 participant from the city of Svishtov (**Bulgaria**), 4 participants from the city of Burgas (**Bulgaria**)

**Location / Dates:** The event took place in Sofia (**Bulgaria**), from 2/2/2018 to 4/2/2018 and from 9/2/2018 to 11/2/2018

**Short description:** The aim of the event was to train 30 young leaders to become more engaged in their local communities on deconstruction the process of migrants' stigmatization, anti-discrimination, anti-xenophobia, to foster multicultural exchange, using the British Council's methodology Active Citizens (AC). The methodology focused on intercultural dialogue and fostering in- and intercommunity understanding and was specifically adapted not only to the aim of the project, but also to address the findings from Give Me Voice research. AC methodology included Appreciative Inquiry, Systems Thinking and Passion about Europe. The workshops were devoted to understanding participants cultural roots thus building self-confidence necessary to enter, dialogue with other cultures and culminating in designing and delivering joint social actions beyond differences and divisions and for the good of all community members. Young leaders developed 15 project ideas and presented them to the group.

<http://multikulti.bg/2253>

## Event 7 – Social action

**Participation:** The event involved 60 citizens from about 10 different countries

**Location / Dates:** The event took place in Sofia (**Bulgaria**), on 17/02/2018

**Short description:** The aim of the event was to foster multicultural exchange by bringing together migrants, refugees and locals and teaching them to create their own martenitsa - traditional Bulgarian bracelets in white in red, which are a vital part of the way Balkan nations welcome spring and to invite migrants, thus support the two-way integration.

<http://multikulti.bg/2362>

## Event 8 – Social action

**Participation:** The event involved 30 citizens from the city of Svishtov (**Bulgaria**)

**Location / Dates:** The event took place in Svishtov (**Bulgaria**), on 29/03/2018

**Short description:** The aim of the event was to promote multicultural exchange through a "Spanish evening" with traditional Spanish dishes and music and to provoke a discussion on migrant integration on local level as well as youth participation and social entrepreneurship.

<http://multikulti.bg/2436>

### **Event 9 – Social action**

**Participation:** The event involved 11 citizens from the village of Belozem (**Bulgaria**)

**Location / Dates:** The event took place in Belozem (**Bulgaria**), on 17/04/2018

**Short description:** The aim of the event was to encourage students to think about other cultures and experience them first hand. The event was an Italian culinary workshop where students had the chance to prepare typical Italian snacks and to discuss what integration means and what cultural and culinary exchange brings them.

<http://multikulti.bg/2382>

### **Event 10 – Social action**

**Participation:** The event involved 95 citizens living in the city of Burgas (**Bulgaria**), including citizens from Germany, Russia, Armenia, Morocco and Bulgaria.

**Location / Dates:** The event took place in Burgas (**Bulgaria**), on 21/04/2018

**Short description:** The aim of the event was to contribute to more continuity, empathy and readiness to help migrants in the city. The aim was to get young people to think about the fact that the life of a foreigner /migrant/ refugee is not always a "fairy tale" and the fact that one person is from another nation does not mean he is different from us. Various foreign traditional dishes were provided on the day of the event, typical of Germany, Russia, Armenia, Morocco, and of course Bulgaria. Each participant had the opportunity to try different meals. The young leaders organized various energizers and interactive games related to tolerance and integration. Last but not least, they started a discussion that targeted migrants – What participants they think about them?, Would they help them?, and Would they talk to them?

### **Event 11 – Social action**

**Participation:** The event involved 26 citizens, including participants from the city of Sofia (**Bulgaria**), Syria, Iraq, Afghanistan.

**Location / Dates:** The event took place in Sofia (**Bulgaria**), on 25/04/2018

**Short description:** The aim of the event was to bring refugee and local students together in a safe learning playful environment, so they can strengthen the two-way integration process, increase their knowledge and skills. The workshop was based on the Fairy tale English class methodology and the young leader, miss Dari told the story Jack and the Beanstalk. The students improved their English, had fun together, strengthening the bonds between them and after this, planted a magical bean in a cup and took it home.

<http://multikulti.bg/2330>

### **Event 12 – Social action**

**Participation:** The event involved 20 citizens, including participants from the city of Sofia (**Bulgaria**), and Syria.

**Location / Dates:** The event took place in Sofia (**Bulgaria**), on 27/04/2018

**Short description:** The aim of the event was to promote two-way integration between migrants, refugees and locals. The young leaders invited participants to cook and bring something typical from their country of origin. Later, they had the chance to try the dishes and to engage in discussion about different cultures, integration, traveling and making new friends.

<http://multikulti.bg/2373>

### **Event 13 – Social action**

**Participation:** The event involved 25 citizens, including 3 participants from the city of Varshets (**Bulgaria**), 10 participants from Iraq, 1 participant from the city of Ruse (**Bulgaria**), 3 participants from the city of Sofia (**Bulgaria**), 1 participant from the city of Lovech (**Bulgaria**), 2 participants from the city of Teteven (**Bulgaria**), 3 participants from Syria, 1 participant from the city of Pleven (**Bulgaria**), 1 participant from the city of Burgas (**Bulgaria**)

**Location / Dates:** The event took place in **Bulgaria**, from 30/04/2018 to 10/06/2018

**Short description:** The aim of the event was to promote tolerance and acceptance of other cultures using arts and creativity. It encouraged Bulgarian and migrant children living in Bulgaria to tell their stories about international friendship through drawing and short stories. In the form of a 'competition', the audience was invited to vote on Facebook for the pictures/stories they liked best. The winners' awards consisted of special mugs with the drawings and art materials. All entries were collected in an online book and their authors received online certificates. The project was promoted by Caritas in the refugee centers in Sofia as well as a number of schools and NGOs across the country. A special workshop was organized in Burgas as part of the program of Africa Day 2018.

The project was launched for 1st June, International Children's Day and received wide national media interest – Bulgarian National Radio, Nova TV (second most popular television in the country) as well as numerous local and online media. It also became quite popular on Facebook due to a number of parents who were widely sharing the entries of their children encouraging friends to 'like' them.

<http://multikulti.bg/2395>

#### **Event 14 – Social action**

**Participation:** The event involved 40 citizens, including participants from **Bulgaria, Syria, Iraq, Afghanistan**

**Location / Dates:** The event took place in Sofia (**Bulgaria**), on 02/05/2018

**Short description:** The aim of the event was to bring refugee and local students together in a safe learning playful environment, so they can strengthen the two-way integration process, increase their knowledge and skills. The workshop was based on the Fairy tale English class methodology and the young leader, miss Dari told the story The Three Little Pigs. The students improved their English, had fun together, strengthening the bonds between them.

<http://multikulti.bg/2470>

#### **Event 15 – Social action**

**Participation:** The event involved 20 citizens, from many different countries

**Location / Dates:** The event took place in Sofia (**Bulgaria**), on 03/06/2018

**Short description:** The aim of the event was to provoke foreigners and locals to get to know Sofia and Bulgarian history and culture better using fun interactive methods of a treasure hunt. There were 20 participants who met in front of the National Theatre in Sofia, then were split into teams and given instructions. They had 90 minutes to complete a list of tasks, each one bringing different points depending on its level of difficulty.

#### **Event 16 – Social action**

**Participation:** The event involved 13 citizens from the city of Plovdiv (**Bulgaria**), **Syria** and **Iraq**.

**Location / Dates:** The event took place in Plovdiv (**Bulgaria**), on 23/6/2018

**Short description:** The aim of the event was to promote mutual integration. The participants spent the evening reading different texts in Arabic while Bulgarian subtitles were screened, watching documentary movies on children integration and discussing the topics of refugee integration and tolerance in a warm cozy atmosphere.

<http://multikulti.bg/2449>

#### **Event 17 – Exit / Entrance Conference in Sofia**

**Participation:** The event involved 91 citizens, including 1 participants from the city of Svishtov (**Bulgaria**), 53 participants from the city of Sofia (**Bulgaria**), 4 participants from the city of Burgas (**Bulgaria**), 1 participants from the city of Popovo (**Bulgaria**), 3 participants from the city of Bucharest (**Romania**), 1 participants from the city of Krakow (**Poland**), 1 participants from the city of Kutina (**Croatia**), 1 participants from the city of Lisbon (**Portugal**), 1 participants from the city of Ogulin (**Croatia**), 5 participants from the city of Warsaw (**Poland**), 1 participants from the city of Bialystok (**Poland**), 3 participants from the city of Bratislava (**Slovakia**), 1 participants from the city of Kosice (**Slovakia**), 2 participants from the city of Prague (**Czech Republic**), 3 participants from the city of Szeged (**Hungary**), 2 participants from the city of Budapest (**Hungary**), 2 participants from the city of Plovdiv (**Bulgaria**), 4 participants from **Vietnam**, 1 participants from **Syria**, 1 participants from the city of Veliko Tarnovo (**Bulgaria**)

**Location / Dates:** The event took place in Sofia (**Bulgaria**), from 11/6/2018 to 13/6/2018

**Short description:** The aim of the event was to strengthen the foundations for continued intercultural dialogue and continuous increase of mutual understanding, to provide a meeting space for the project partners and young leader from different counties, to provide space for discussing the Give me Voice findings in all countries as well as the comparative report, to provide space for exchanging best practices through a poster presentation session, to gather young leaders' input on what works and how in a Make it Happen session, to present successful migrant integration stories in the form of a movie screening and engage in a public debate on the topic, to present all project activities, results and lessons learnt to a wide group of stakeholders in the form of a round table.

# 13 events have been carried out in Poland within this project:

## **Event 18: Focus group discussion**

**Participation:** The event involved 8 citizens, all participants from the city of Białystok (**Poland**).

**Location / Dates:** The event took place in Białystok on 30/07/2017

**Short description:** The aim of the event was to collect young people's input on their attitudes towards migrants and refugees.

## **Event 19: Focus group discussion**

**Participation:** The event involved 6 citizens, all participants from the city of Warsaw (**Poland**).

**Location / Dates:** The event took place in Warsaw on 17/08/2017

**Short description:** The aim of the event was to collect young people's input on their attitudes towards migrants and refugees.

## **Event 20: Focus group discussion**

**Participation:** The event involved 6 citizens, all participants from the city of Lublin (**Poland**).

**Location / Dates:** The event took place in Lublin in August 201

**Short description:** The aim of the event was to collect young people's input on their attitudes towards migrants and refugees.

## **Event 21: Debate: "Strangers among us"**

**Participation:** The event involved 64 citizens, including 53 participants from the city of Warsaw (**Poland**), 2 participants from the city of Bratislava (**Slovakia**), 2 participants from the city of Budapest (**Hungary**), 2 participants from the city of Zagreb (**Croatia**), 1 participant from the city of Bucharest (**Romania**), 2 participants from the city of Kraków (**Poland**), 1 participant from the city of Sofia (**Bulgaria**), 1 participant from the city of Toruń (**Poland**)

**Location / Dates:** The event took place in **Warsaw (Poland)**, from 10/03/2018 to 10/03/2018

**Short description:** The refugee and migration crisis has had a significant impact on attitude towards migration in Europe. In the case of Central and Southern Europe, where knowledge about migration is limited and stereotypes are widespread, the refugee crisis has contributed to the increase of negative opinions about migration. The discussion has also influenced the political agenda and public debate by bringing issues of migration, integration and security to the mainstream – in case of many countries - for the first time in the history. Some political parties have been also successfully exploiting anti-immigration fears and sentiments. What do people in Central and Southern Europe feel about migration? Are some groups of migrants more acceptable than others?? How can we explain differences in attitude towards migrants? Why the policy of "fear" that is widely exploited by political forces is so successful in the region? These and other issues were discussed during the international conference "Strangers among us - How to respond to hostility towards immigrants" that was organized on March 10, 2017. The meeting brought together participants and experts from Visegrad Group, Slovenia, Croatia, Bulgaria and Romania.

## **Event 22 – Me-You-We workshop I**

**Participation:** The event involved 8 citizens, all participants from the city of Białystok (**Poland**).

**Location / Dates:** The event took place in Białystok from 05/05/2018 to 20/05/2018

**Short description:** The aim of the event was to train young leaders to become more engaged in their local communities on deconstruction the process of migrants' stigmatization, anti-discrimination, anti-xenophobia, to foster multicultural exchange, using the British Council's methodology Active Citizens (AC). After the workshops the active citizens planned and delivered social actions.

## **Event 23 – Me-You-We workshop II**

**Participation:** The event involved 15 citizens, all participants from the city of Warsaw (**Poland**).

**Location / Dates:** The event took place in Warsaw from 27/05/2018 to 06/06/2018

**Short description:** The aim of the event was to train young leaders to become more engaged in their local communities on deconstruction the process of migrants' stigmatization, anti-discrimination, anti-xenophobia, to foster multicultural exchange, using the British Council's methodology Active Citizens (AC). After the workshops the active citizens planned and delivered social actions.

## **Event 24 – Social Action**

**Participation:** The event involved 8 citizens, 7 Chechen participants from the city of Białystok (**Poland**) and 1 Polish participants from city of Białystok (**Poland**).

**Location / Dates:** The event took place in Białystok on 25/05/2018.

**Short description:** Meeting between Białystok- based activist and Chechen women from Center for Foreigners regarding needs of Chechen community in Poland and problems they accouter.

Planning of future activities organized in partnership with University of Third Age countering stereotypes about Chechens and isolation between Poles and Chechens.

#### **Event 25 – Social Action**

**Participation:** The event involved 26 citizens, 17 Chechen participants from the city of Białystok (**Poland**) and 9 Polish participants from city of Białystok (**Poland**).

**Location / Dates:** The event took place in Białystok on 28/05/2018.

**Short description:** The art workshop organized by Creative Section of the University of Third Age for the Chechen migrants' children living in the Centre for Foreigners in Białystok. The women from the University of Third Age helped the children make gifts for Mother's Day – origami hearts.

#### **Event 26 – Social Action**

**Participation:** The event involved 24 citizens, 12 Chechen participants from the city of Białystok (**Poland**) and 12 Polish participants from city of Białystok (**Poland**).

**Location / Dates:** The event took place in Białystok on 09/06/2018.

**Short description:** The intercultural meeting between Chechen women – migrants living in the Centre for Foreigners in Białystok and seniors from the University of Third Age. While the adults were discussing the matters of cultural differences, reasons for migration as well as Chechenia's culture and traditions, Chechen children were showing some of the seniors' traditional dance moves. In the end the seniors from the University of Third Age performed and helped to teach the children their own, original dance called "Podlasiak".

#### **Event 27 – Social Action - Multicultural Knitting at the Workshop**

**Participation:** The event involved 14 citizens, 7 participants from the city of Warsaw (**Poland**) and 7 participants from **Ukraine**.

**Location / Dates:** The event took place in Warsaw in the "Warsaw Workshop" on 10/06/2018.

**Short description:** The starting point for the preparation of a multicultural meeting was the networking of activists, migrants and Polish women who are professionally active, while at the same time support noble goals and are willing to share their resources with the local community and engage in joint activities. For our Multicultural Knitting Workshop, we invited friends from an informal group of women. These are the women with various life and professional experiences inspired by knitting for noble goal – supporting premature babies from hospitals across Poland.

#### **Event 28 – Social Action**

**Participation:** The event involved 17 citizens, 12 Chechen participants from the city of Białystok (**Poland**) and 5 Polish participants from city of Białystok (**Poland**).

**Location / Dates:** The event took place in Białystok on 19/06/2018.

**Short description:** The activists from Seniors Club "Super Grandmas" prepared a field game for the Chechen kids across the garden of one of the Białystok's most important landmarks – Branicki Palace. The children had to solve the clues in order to complete the final password and win the prizes.

#### **Event 29 – Social Action**

**Participation:** The event involved 27 citizens, 20 participants from the city of Supraśl (**Poland**) and 7 Chechen participants from city of Białystok (**Poland**).

**Location / Dates:** The event took place in Supraśl in Art Highschool on 21/06/2018.

**Short description:** On the International Refugee Day a group of Chechen students were invited to Art Highschool in Supraśl to talk with polish students and visit the school. They answered many questions that helped polish students understand the situation in Chechenia and reasons why they can't live a normal life there. They also talked about cultural differences. Polish students prepared for them tour around the school and performed polish traditional dances.

#### **Event 30 – Social Action**

**Participation:** The event involved 19 citizens, 15 Chechen participants from the city of Białystok (**Poland**) and 4 Polish participants from city of Białystok (**Poland**).

**Location / Dates:** The event took place in Supraśl in Art Highschool on 19/07/2018.

**Short description:** Continuation of the first visit of Chechen students, only this time focused on dancing with elements of Dance Movement Therapy. Group of younger Chechen pupils learned several traditional, polish dances such as: Mazurek, Oberek and improvised their own dance moves.

#### **Event 31 – Social Action**

**Participation:** The event involved 14 citizens, all participants from the city of Warsaw (**Poland**).

**Location / Dates:** The event took place in Warsaw on 28/07/2018.

**Short description:** Meeting of people living in Żoliborz area (district of Warsaw) organized to generate new ideas for joint activities in the community. It turned out that there are more willing people to work together for community and the meeting helped in realizing that there are many resources that the community can use in the future. Planned joint activities are as follows: painting the common fence, designing and building a table for a common garden, taking care of common garden and planting flowers in Spring.

## **15 Events in Hungary have been carried out within this project:**

### **Event 32 – Focus group discussion**

**Participation:** The event involved 6 citizens from the city of Győr (**Hungary**)

**Location / Dates:** The event took place in Győr (**Hungary**), on 08/09/2017

**Short description:** The aim of the event was to collect local people's input on their attitudes towards migrants and refugees. The event was a focus group discussion.

### **Event 33 – Focus group discussion**

**Participation:** The event involved 6 citizens from the city of Budapest (**Hungary**)

**Location / Dates:** The event took place in Budapest (**Hungary**), on 18/09/2017

**Short description:** The aim of the event was to collect local people's input on their attitudes towards migrants and refugees. The event was a focus group discussion.

### **Event 34 – Focus group discussion**

**Participation:** The event involved 7 citizens from the city of Szeged (**Hungary**)

**Location / Dates:** The event took place in Szeged (**Hungary**), on 18/09/2017

**Short description:** The aim of the event was to collect young people's input on their attitudes towards migrants and refugees. The event was a focus group discussion.

### **Event 35 – Me-You-We national workshop I**

**Participation:** The event involved 17 citizens from the city of Szeged (**Hungary**),

**Location / Dates:** The event took place in Szeged (**Hungary**), from 02/02/2018 to 4/2/2018

**Short description:** The aim of the event was to train young leaders to become more engaged in their local communities on deconstruction the process of migrants' stigmatization, anti-discrimination, anti-xenophobia, to foster multicultural exchange, using the British Council's methodology Active Citizens (AC). After the workshops the active citizens planned and delivered social actions.

### **Event 36 – Me-You-We national workshop II**

**Participation:** The event involved 10 citizens from the city of Szeged (**Hungary**), 1 participant from the city of Szatymaz (**Hungary**)

**Location / Dates:** The event took place in Szeged (**Hungary**), from 06/04/2018 to 08/04/2018

**Short description:** The aim of the event was to train young leaders to become more engaged in their local communities on deconstruction the process of migrants' stigmatization, anti-discrimination, anti-xenophobia, to foster multicultural exchange, using the British Council's methodology Active Citizens (AC). After the workshops the active citizens planned and delivered social actions.

### **Event 37 – Social action planning 1.**

**Participation:** The event involved 10 citizens from the city of Szeged (**Hungary**)

**Location / Dates:** The event took place in Szeged (**Hungary**), on 24/02/2018

**Short description:** After the workshops, the active citizens met and worked on planning social actions.

### **Event 38 – Social action planning 2.**

**Participation:** The event involved 6 citizens from the city of Szeged (**Hungary**)

**Location / Dates:** The event took place in Szeged (**Hungary**), on 17/04/2018

**Short description:** After the workshops, the active citizens met and worked on planning social actions.

### **Event 39 – Social action - We Sail the Same Boat**

**Participation:** The event involved 5 citizens living in the city of Szeged (**Hungary**)

**Location / Dates:** The event took place in Szeged (**Hungary**), on 08/04/2018

**Short description:** Occasion: General elections in Hungary. The aim of the event was to establish dialogue between citizens, ease the tensions accumulated because of the political campaign Method: handing out paper boats, talking to people on the main pedestrian street.

#### **Event 40 – Social action - Europe is Everyone's! Community Cooking**

**Participation:** The event involved 21 citizens, including participants from the city of Szeged (**Hungary**), Syria, India

**Location / Dates:** The event took place in Szeged (**Hungary**), on 10/03/2018

**Short description:** The aim of the event was Arranging meeting point with immigrants living and studying in Szeged, bringing local young people together through gastronomy

Activities: community cooking, sports for disabled people

#### **Event 41 – Social action - Draw and vote!**

**Participation:** The event involved 5 citizens from the city of Szeged (**Hungary**)

**Location / Dates:** The event took place Szeged (**Hungary**), on 08/4/2018

**Short description:** Occasion: Day of the parliamentary election in Hungary. Some of the activist joined to the event of Artivism Budapest movement. Part of the action we wrote messages with chalk on the blacktop of the main square of Szeged. The aim was to promote participating in the elections.

#### **Event 42 – Social action - Free Hugs @ International Cultural Evening**

**Participation:** The event involved 5 citizens including participants from the city of Szeged (**Hungary**), Palestine

**Location / Dates:** The event took place in Szeged (**Hungary**), on 14/04/2018

**Short description:** The aim of the event was to present to the city's residents that the approximately 3,500 foreign students in Szeged are an integral and loving part of the local community

Method: giving free hugs at the entrance of the building, where the event was, we translated „free hugs” to more than 20 languages and placed on a board.

#### **Event 43 – Social action - Round table talk: Apart and together**

**Participation:** The event involved 15 citizens from the city of Szeged (**Hungary**)

**Location / Dates:** The event took place in Szeged (**Hungary**), on 29/05/2018

**Short description:** The aim of the event was preparing a team for participating in the European Youth Event. Discussing the issue of welcoming non-European citizens, migration, what EU citizens can and should do.

#### **Event 44 – Social action - No Country for the Poor**

**Participation:** The event involved 22 citizens, from the city of Szeged (**Hungary**)

**Location / Dates:** The event took place in Szeged (**Hungary**), on 05/05/2018

**Short description:** Movie screening and talk with one of the characters of the film. AVM, a group of activists, homeless and middle class confronts the authorities to defend social justice and human dignity. The City Is For All - in the spirit of the Civil Rights Movement, they organize protests, flash mobs, live chains and other non-violent direct actions. The aim of the event was to promote activism and give opportunities how you can be the change.

#### **Event 45 – Social action - Refugees and Borders – discussion**

**Participation:** The event involved 16 citizens from the city of Szeged (**Hungary**)

**Location / Dates:** The event took place in Szeged (**Hungary**), on 19/06/2018

**Short description:** The aim of the event was to talk about the direct and indirect, foreseeable and not yet visible, financial, moral, political, social and cultural consequences of putting up a double line of razor wire barrier in the middle of Europe, exactly 25 years after the fall of Communism and the so-called Iron Curtain between Hungary and Austria.

#### **Event 46 – Social action - Reception – film screening and discussion**

**Participation:** The event involved 8 citizens from the city of Budapest and Győr (**Hungary**)

**Location / Dates:** The event took place in Budapest (**Hungary**), on 04/06/2018

**Short description:** The aim of the event was to promote the way of solidarity and reception. The documentary based on interviews with a family in a Hungarian city, Pannonhalma. For the family the most evident reaction is to accept refugees to their own home to support them in the first phase of their life in Hungary. The film shows their successes, their struggles during the increasing anti-migration campaign. After the movie we had a Q & A with the director and the members of the family, and some of the refugees.

#### **Event 47 – Social action - Discussion about migration**

**Participation:** The event involved 8 citizens from the village of Hernádszentandrás (**Hungary**)

**Location / Dates:** The event took place in Hernádszentandrás (**Hungary**), on 02/06/2018

**Short description:** The aim of the event was to promote mutual integration. We spent one day in a small village in North Hungary, at a volunteer centre, called IndaHouse Hungary. We played different games and organised a group discussion about migration and refugees for children. One of the organisers came from Palestine.



### **Event 48 – Social action - Reception – film screening and discussion**

**Participation:** The event involved 19 citizens from the city of Szeged, Hódmezővásárhely (**Hungary**) and **Syria**

**Location / Dates:** The event took place in Szeged (**Hungary**), on 26/6/2018

**Short description:** The aim of the event was to promote the way of solidarity and reception. The documentary based on interviews with a family in a Hungarian city, Pannonhalma. For the family the most evident reaction is to accept refugees to their own home to support them in the first phase of their life in Hungary. The film shows their successes, their struggles during the increasing anti-migration campaign. After the movie we had a Q & A with the director and an activist.

## **17 events have been carried out within this project in Croatia**

### **Event 49 - First “Me-You-We” workshop**

**Participation:** The event involved 15 participants from **Croatia**.

**Location / Dates:** The event took place in Zagreb, Croatia, from 03/03/2018 to 04/03/2018 and 10/03/2018 to 11/03/2018

**Short description:** The aim of the first “Me-You-We” workshop was to bring together young people or youth workers with different interest spheres, active in their community, sharing experiences and identifying problems in their local community and trying to jointly define and solve them. All participants were highly motivated to engage in developing the culture of peace, nonviolence, tolerance and cooperation as well as fostering dialogue between local population and refugees and sensitizing the local population to the issues refugees face in Croatia.

Participants were coming from different local communities in Croatia some of which already have refugees and/or asylum seekers living in the local community, some from communities where the local population very rarely encounters migrants and they wanted to start creating space in the community for acceptance and welcoming.

### **Event 50 - Second “Be the Change” workshop**

**Participation:** The event involved 15 participants from **Croatia**.

**Location / Dates:** The event took place in Zagreb, Croatia, from 17/05/2018 to 18/05/2018

**Short description:** The aim of the second “Me-You-We” workshop was to bring together young people or youth workers with different interest spheres, active in their community, sharing experiences and identifying problems in their local community and trying to jointly define and solve them. All participants were highly motivated to engage in developing the culture of peace, nonviolence, tolerance and cooperation as well as fostering dialogue between local population and refugees and sensitizing the local population to the issues refugees face in Croatia.

Participants were coming from different local communities in Croatia some of which already have refugees and/or asylum seekers living in the local community, some from communities where the local population very rarely encounters migrants and they wanted to start creating space in the community for acceptance and welcoming.

### **Event 51 - Workshop with high school students**

**Participation:** The event involved 78 citizens, including 78 participants from the city of Osijek, **Croatia**.

**Location / Dates:** The events took place in Osijek, Croatia on 27/04/2018 (1 workshop) and 07/05/2018 (2 workshops)

**Short description:** The aim of the event was to discuss about prejudice and stereotypes towards migrants and refugees and creating space for students to reflect on them. Workshops were implemented in three classes of the Osijek Medical School. The methods used were similar to the ones used in our Active Citizens workshops. discussions about prejudice and stereotypes towards migrants and refugees and creating space for students to reflect on them.

### **Event 52 - Youth Workshop: Un hommage à "Me-You-We" Workshops**

**Participation:** The event involved 10 citizens, including 10 participants from the city of Lepoglava, **Croatia**.

**Location / Dates:** The events took place in Lepoglava, Croatia on 28/04/2018

**Short description:** The aim of the event was to facilitate the process of reflection of the participants of oppression, critically discussing social events and injustice, with particular focus to refugees and migrants and other disadvantaged groups and providing them with the alternative perspective then the one in the mainstream media.

The topics and exercises like the ones used in the workshop "Be the Change" in Zagreb have been incorporated into another workshop on the social aspect of sustainability

### **Event 53 - Workshop with students**

**Participation:** The event involved 83 citizens, including 83 participants from the city of Kutina, **Croatia**.

**Location / Dates:** The events took place in Kutina, Croatia on 10/05/2018 (1 workshop) and 11/05/2018 (2 workshops)

**Short description:** The aim of the event was to discuss about prejudice and how they affect their image of the refugees, how much the media, family and the like are responsible or influenced for such prejudice.

### **Event 54 - Sports workshop**

**Participation:** The event involved 20 citizens, including 20 participants from the city of Kutina, **Croatia**.

**Location / Dates:** The event took place in Kutina, Croatia on 23/04/2018

**Short description:** The aim of the event was to bridge the differences between students, to encourage friendship and fellowship and to familiarize themselves with and connect with their newly arrived classmates who are asylum seekers living in the local reception center. A football match was organized for all students who wanted to participate. As sport connects all students it also helped them to get to know each other and to create long-lasting friendships.

### **Event 55 - Educational workshop, Rules of Friendship**

**Participation:** The event involved 15 citizens, including 15 participants from the city of Kutina, **Croatia**.

**Location / Dates:** The event took place in Kutina, Croatia on 23/04/2018

**Short description:** The aim of the event was to bridge the differences between students, to encourage friendship and fellowship and to familiarize themselves with and connect with their newly arrived classmates who are asylum seekers living in the local reception center. Students from the first to the eighth grade and the theme of friendship was discussed. Students were supposed to pass on the word by whispering and trying to put it back to the beginning. The word friendship was said in several languages and the students discussed its meaning. In the central activity, the students explored their values that they bestowed upon them and shared them with the group. The students have concluded that their friendship and friends are important and play a big part in their lives. As a conclusion of the workshop the students brought the Rules of Friendship.

### **Event 56 - Creative workshop**

**Participation:** The event involved 23 citizens, including 23 participants from the city of Kutina, **Croatia**.

**Location / Dates:** The event took place in Kutina, Croatia on 24/04/2018

**Short description:** The aim of the event was to bridge the differences between students, to encourage friendship and fellowship and to familiarize themselves with and connect with their newly arrived classmates who are asylum seekers living in the local reception center. Teachers from the first to the fourth grade discussed with the students what it means for them to be friends. After numerous thoughts and conclusions, they created green leaflets where students wrote friendships, and all leaves were the birthplace of friendship on schools' eco-tree in the school hole way.

### **Event 57 - Experiential workshop**

**Participation:** The event involved 30 citizens, including 30 participants from the city of Kutina, **Croatia**.

**Location / Dates:** The event took place in Kutina, Croatia on 25/04/2018

**Short description:** The aim of the event was to bridge the differences between students, to encourage friendship and fellowship and to familiarize themselves with and connect with their newly arrived classmates who are asylum seekers living in the local reception center. Students seeking asylum have drawn their pair among the pupils of the Children's Forum. When the couples were formed they were given the task of drawing their pair. After the drawing was completed, the students replaced the drawings and each student wrote their name and what he/ she likes to do, eat, music, etc. and finally presented to the group. Then the Rules of Friendship were read and students asylum seekers translated them into Arabic and Kurdish.

### **Event 58 - Taste of Home workshop**

**Participation:** The event involved 120 citizens, including 120 participants from the city of Kutina, **Croatia**.

**Location / Dates:** The event took place in Kutina, Croatia on 26/04/2018

**Short description:** The aim of the event was to bridge the differences between students, to encourage friendship and fellowship and to familiarize themselves with and connect with their newly arrived classmates who are asylum seekers living in the local reception center. The school kitchen was prepared dishes that introduced students' different cultures and new flavors. The students were delighted with the new dish, similar and yet different, and asked for the dish more.

### **Event 59 - Creative workshop**

**Participation:** The event involved 21 citizens, including 21 participants from the city of Kutina, **Croatia**.

**Location / Dates:** The event took place in Kutina, Croatia on 26/04/2018

**Short description:** The aim of the event was to bridge the differences between students, to encourage friendship and fellowship and to familiarize themselves with and connect with their newly arrived classmates who are asylum seekers living in the local reception center. Creative workshop with students which resulted in a picture book with the most important places in Kutina and a map with the location of the drawn places in order to facilitate the movement of the students and their families with the city. The plan is to give this picture book as a welcome gift to all students with asylum seeker or migrant background attending school.

#### **Event 60 - Week of Communion, public event**

**Participation:** The event involved 41 citizens, including 41 participants from the city of Kutina, **Croatia**.

**Location / Dates:** The event took place in Kutina, Croatia on 27/04/2018

**Short description:** The aim of the event was to bridge the differences between students, to encourage friendship and fellowship and to familiarize themselves with and connect with their newly arrived classmates who are asylum seekers living in the local reception center. The school kitchen was prepared dishes that introduced students' different cultures and new flavors. The students were delighted with the new dish, similar and yet different, and asked for the dish more.

#### **Event 61 - Introduction to Human Rights - lecture + workshop for students**

**Participation:** The event involved 61 citizens, including 61 participants from the city of Ogulin, **Croatia**.

**Location / Dates:** The events took place in Ogulin, Croatia on 27/04/2018

**Short description:** The aim of the events was to give an introductory lecture referred to the concept of human rights, the historical aspect, the category of human rights and fundamental values.

Students actively listened and participated in the given activities. From the fundamental values of human rights, the most were opting for freedom. The topic of violence does not cause many controversies, do not come into conflict with their peers. They feel they need to be tolerant and solidary towards refugees.

#### **Event 62 - Introduction to Human Rights - lecture + workshop for citizens**

**Participation:** The event involved 5 citizens, including 5 participants from the city of Ogulin, **Croatia**.

**Location / Dates:** The events took place in Ogulin, Croatia on 27/04/2018

**Short description:** The aim of the events was to give an introductory lecture referred to the concept of human rights, the historical aspect, the category of human rights and fundamental values.

#### **Event 63 - Lecture „Refugees - stories from real life - representations, challenges, myths and reality”**

**Participation:** The event involved 12 citizens, including 12 participants from the city of Ogulin, **Croatia**.

**Location / Dates:** The events took place in Ogulin, Croatia on 27/04/2018 **Short description:** The aim of the event was to use storytelling, six life stories were told, of which five were true, and one fiction, covering the period from the Second World War to the latest, as mainstream media tends to call it - the refugee crisis to make people more aware of the current situation.

In this lecture, through the narrative of very heartbreaking human stories, the lecturer tried to find answers to many questions, such as: "Did we as humans learn something from the disgraceful chapters of human history?", "Is there universal humanism or is everything based on the individual conscience of an individual?".

#### **Event 64 - Drama workshop- Theater of the oppressed**

**Participation:** The event involved 7 citizens, including 7 participants from the city of Ogulin, **Croatia**.

**Location / Dates:** The events took place in Ogulin, Croatia on 28/04/2018

**Short description:** The group was given the task of playing out a situation where a daughter disclosed to her very conservative mother that she is in a relationship a migrant. They determined the oppressed and oppressed and eventually calmed down the situation and found the best solution.

#### **Event 65 - Lecture "Balkan route" - Tovarnik, Opatovac and Slavonski Brod - report from the field**

**Participation:** The event involved 16 citizens, including 16 participants from the city of Ogulin, **Croatia**.

**Location / Dates:** The events took place in Ogulin, Croatia on 30/04/2018

**Short description:** The aim of the event was to present the experiences of people working on the field during the humanitarian crisis 2015/16 and the hard situation refugees were going through.

# 16 events have been carried out within this project in Czech Republic

## **Event 66 – Give Me Voice Research**

**Participation:** The event involved 21 citizens from **Czech Republic**.

**Location / Dates:** The event took place in Prague, Ústí nad Labem on 15.08.2017 and 30.09.2017

**Short description:** We carried out two focus groups in Prague and one in Ústí nad Labem. The aim was to research opinions towards immigration among mainly reluctant or indifferent individuals.

## **Event 67 – Me-You-We Workshop I**

**Participation:** The event involved 9 participants from **Czech Republic**.

**Location / Dates:** The event took place in Křivoklát on 28.02.2018 and 04.03.2018

**Short description:** Workshop for young migrants and Czechs applying the Active citizens methodology – training skills (identity reflection, active listening etc.) and methods (project planning, community research etc.) for carrying out social actions and projects for better understanding and cohabitation of the majority and migrants.

## **Event 68 – Me-You-We Workshop II**

**Participation:** The event involved 12 participants from **Czech Republic**.

**Location / Dates:** The event took place in Křivoklát, Roztoky on 14.03.2018 and 18.03.2018

**Short description:** Workshop for young migrants and Czechs applying the Active citizens methodology – training skills (identity reflection, active listening etc.) and methods (project planning, community research etc.) for carrying out social actions and projects for better understanding and cohabitation of the majority and migrants.

## **Event 69 – Social Action:**

**Participation:** The event involved 10 direct participants and 12 indirect participants from **Czech Republic**.

**Location / Dates:** The event took place in Křivoklát on 01.03.2018 and 03.03.2018

**Short description:** Ukrainian and Turkish fairy tales and worksheets for the kindergarten in Křivoklát, visited by Ukrainian and Turkish kids. Participants developed material for the local kindergarten: fairy tales from countries, where migrant children visiting the kindergarten came from (Ukraine and Turkey) – translated into Czech and complemented by worksheets (little games to learn words in Ukrainian/Turkish, to start a talk about diversity etc.).

## **Event 70 – Social Action:**

**Participation:** The event involved 13 direct participants and 100 indirect participants from **Czech Republic**.

**Location / Dates:** The event took place in Roztoky on 16.03.2018 and 17.03.2018

Participants carried out a community research among the inhabitants of Roztoky about community life and cohabitation with migrants in the village. They came up with some interesting findings and summarised these in an article for the local magazine, in order to inform and sensitize the inhabitants for interculturality being already part of their life, even though they often don't realise it.

## **Event 71 – Social Action:**

**Participation:** The event involved 80 direct participants and 100 indirect participants from **Czech Republic**.

**Location / Dates:** The event took place in Prague on 08.03.2018

**Short description:** For the International Women's day, a group of participants (both Vietnamese and Czech) decided to visit typical workplaces of especially migrant women in Prague (late night shops, fast food places etc.) and offer them flowers, showing appreciation and respect for their hard work and sacrifice.

## **Event 72 – Social Action:**

**Participation:** The event involved 20 direct participants and 2 indirect participants from **Czech Republic**.

**Location / Dates:** The event took place in Brno on 23.06.2018

**Short description:** DIY natural cosmetics -workshop for migrants and Czechs in Brno. A common activity is always the best way to build ties and new friendships – for example during a workshop for making own natural cosmetics, organised by the initiative InteGreat, whose members participated in our Me-You-We workshop.

**Event 73 – Social Action “International weekend “Babylon”:**

**Participation:** The event involved 20 direct participants and 30 indirect participants from **Czech Republic.**

**Location / Dates:** The event took place in Hodonín on 04.05.2018 – 06.05.2018

**Short description:** Participants organised an international weekend for foreigners and Czechs living in Brno, which took place in an ecological centre nearby the city. The programme was focused on common activity (volunteering in the ecological centre) and used methods of experiential pedagogy. Even though not all participants had a common language to communicate, the activities were focused on understanding each other even without (or with a few) words.

**Event 74 – Social Action “Easter quiz night”:**

**Participation:** The event involved 30 direct participants and 50 indirect participants from **Czech Republic.**

**Location / Dates:** The event took place in Prague on 02.04.2018

**Short description:** Project participants from the Czech-Vietnamese initiative VietUp, supported by other participants of our Active citizens workshop, used the popular format of a pub quiz and the public Easter holiday in order to bring together young Czech-Vietnamese and Czechs in Prague for a round of a quiz game.

**Event 75 – Social Action “Easter quiz night”:**

**Participation:** The event involved 30 direct participants and 50 indirect participants from **Czech Republic.**

**Location / Dates:** The event took place in Prague on 02.04.2018

**Short description:** Project participants from the Czech-Vietnamese initiative VietUp, supported by other participants of our Active citizens workshop, used the popular format of a pub quiz and the public Easter holiday in order to bring together young Czech-Vietnamese and Czechs in Prague for a round of a quiz game.

**Event 76 – Social Action “Quiz night vol. 2”:**

**Participation:** The event involved 40 direct participants and 60 indirect participants from **Czech Republic.**

**Location / Dates:** The event took place in Prague on 24.05.2018

**Short description:** After the success of the first quiz, participants organised another quiz game evening.

**Event 77 – Social Action “Memorial gathering for victims of an explosion in a chemical plant”:**

**Participation:** The event involved 30 direct participants and 1000 indirect participants from **Czech Republic.**

**Location / Dates:** The event took place in Kralupy nad Vltavou on 06.04.2018

**Short description:** Participants of our seminar co-initiated a meeting to remember the victims of an explosion in a chemical plant in Kralupy, Czechia. Five of the six victims were Romanian migrant workers. The aim of the meeting was also to raise awareness about poor working conditions and safety standards for migrant workers in the Czech industrial sector.

**Event 78 – Social Action “Festival Asia near and remote”:**

**Participation:** The event involved 1000 direct participants and 2000 indirect participants from **Czech Republic.**

**Location / Dates:** The event took place in Brno on 26.06.2018

**Short description:** Festival of Asian cultures and food with cultural program and stands. The idea was to bring the mostly unknown Asian culture nearer to the inhabitants of Brno and show them, that it's not so far away as it seems (many Vietnamese and other Asian migrants living in Czech Republic and in their hometown)

**Event 79 – Social Action “Get to know the little Vietnam in Brno”:**

**Participation:** The event involved 150 direct participants and 200 indirect participants from **Czech Republic.**

**Location / Dates:** The event took place in Brno on 04.03.2018 – 22.03.2018

**Short description:** A series of guided tours through the “little Vietnam” in Brno – the Vietnamese market Vinamo – incl. food tasting, facts and stories about Vietnamese life in Czech republic etc., initiated by our participants.

**Event 80 – Social Action “The first Czech-Vietnamese library in Czechia”:**

**Participation:** The event involved 150 direct participants and 50 indirect participants from **Czech Republic.**

**Location / Dates:** The event took place in Brno on 02.06.2018

**Short description:** Participants of our seminar opened the first Czech-Vietamese library, which is located in the Vinamo market in Brno. The library contains books in Vietnamese and also Czech books dealing with Vietnam or the Vietnamese.

**Event 81 – Social Action “Production of a video about Vietnamese integration in Czech Republic”:**

**Participation:** The event involved 5 direct participants and 1000+ indirect participants from **Czech Republic**.

**Location / Dates:** The event took place in Czech Republic in June 2018

**Short description:** The video shows through a funny story, how Vietnamese migrants integrate and succeed on the job market and contribute to the Czech society.

## **14 events have been carried out in Slovakia within this project:**

**Event 82 – Give me Voice Research: Focus Group**

**Participation:** The event involved 6 citizens from the city of Námestovo (**Slovakia**) and one project researcher.

**Location / Dates:** The event took place in **Námestovo, Slovakia** on 25/07/2017.

**Short description:** The aim of the event was to collect young people’s input on their attitudes towards migrants and refugees. The focus group followed shared project methodology set.

**Event 83 - Give me Voice Research: Focus Group**

**Participation:** The event involved 5 participants from the city of Bratislava (**Slovakia**) and one project researcher.

**Location / Dates:** The event took place in **Bratislava, Slovakia** on 12/09/2017.

**Short description:** The aim of the event was to collect young people’s input on their attitudes towards migrants and refugees. The focus group followed shared project methodology set.

**Event 84 - Give me Voice Research: Focus Group**

**Participation:** The event involved 5 citizens from the city of Nitra (**Slovakia**) and one project researcher.

**Location / Dates:** The event took place in **Nitra, Slovakia** on 21/09/2017.

**Short description:** The aim of the event was to collect young people’s input on their attitudes towards migrants and refugees. The focus group followed shared project methodology set.

**Event 85 - Me-You-We national workshop**

**Participation:** The event involved 27 citizens, notably 15 participants from the city of Bratislava (**Slovakia**), 2 participants from the city of Banská Bystrica (**Slovakia**), 2 participants from the city of Prešov (**Slovakia**), 2 participants from the city of Vranov nad Topľou (**Slovakia**), 1 participant from the city of Košice (**Slovakia**), 1 participant from the city of Ružomberok (**Slovakia**), 2 participants from **Afghanistan** (living in city of Bratislava, Slovakia) and 2 participants from **Syria** (living in city of Nitra, Slovakia).

**Location / Dates:** The event took place in **Ružomberok, Slovakia** from 06/04/2018 to 10/04/2018 and from 16/05/2018 to 19/05/2018.

**Short description:** The aim of the event was to train young leaders using the British Council’s methodology *Active Citizens* to become more engaged in their local communities. The methodology focused on personal identity and intercultural dialogue and fostering in- and intercommunity understanding was specifically adapted to the aim of the project and specifically to the group constitution and dynamics. The workshops were devoted to understanding participants cultural roots thus building self-confidence necessary to enter, dialogue with other cultures and culminating in designing and delivering joint social actions in certain communities. The AC workshops were appreciated by all the participants.

Link: <https://www.nadaciamilanasimecku.sk/aktuality/trening-bud-zmenou.html>

**Event 86 - Social action : Family program in the Mareena Community Centre**

**Participation:** The event involved 30 citizens, including 1 participant from the city of Banská Bystrica (**Slovakia**), 1 participant from the city of Nové Zámky (**Slovakia**), 1 participant from the city of Žilina (**Slovakia**), 2 participants from the city of Bratislava (**Slovakia**), including visitors of public event and visitors of Mareena Community Centre from Afghanistan, Syria, Iraq and Ukraine.

**Location / Dates:** The event took place in **Bratislava, Slovakia** on 21/04/2018.

**Short description:** The aim of the event was to discuss within the interactive workshops the diversity of culture, to find the MY identification points. The workshops taught the children and their parents to be more opened to diversity and foreigners and to be more sensitive to the situation of the migrants' families. The social action took place in Mareena Community Centre which connects Slovaks and foreigners through community activities and volunteering program.

#### **Event 87 – Social action: Presentation activities within the [fjúžn] festival**

**Participation:** The event involved at about 100 citizens, including 1 participant from the city of Žilina (Slovakia), 2 participants from Afghanistan and visitors of public event.

**Location / Dates:** The event took place in Bratislava, Slovakia on 21/04/2018.

**Short description:** The aim of the event was to inform about phenomena of migration within the [fjúžn] festival, which connects the people of different cultures, raises awareness about migration, new minorities, presents the everyday life of foreigners in Slovakia and makes the wider public more sensitive to the topic of migration and multiculturalism.

#### **Event 88 – Social action: BBQ in Community Centre**

**Participation:** The event involved 19 citizens, including 4 participants from the Syria living in Nitra (Slovakia) and 15 participants from the city of Nitra (Slovakia).

**Location / Dates:** The event took place in Nitra, Slovakia on 01/05/2018.

**Short description:** The aim of the event was to present Syrian community in the neighborhood of Community Centre of Iraq's Christians in the city of Nitra where they moved two years ago. The event meant first step to the public space, the occasion to meet neighbors and become acquainted, to talk to bystanders and present themselves.

#### **Event 89 – Social action: Breakfast in Neighbourhood**

**Participation:** The event involved 18 participants from the city of Bratislava (Slovakia), including seniors and Roma.

**Location / Dates:** The event took place in Bratislava, Slovakia on 08/05/2018.

**Short description:** The aim of the event was the meeting of local inhabitants and community building. The event took place in local community center which seems to be a place of intergenerational dialogue. During the meeting some ideas how to promote the center were discussed.

Link: [https://www.facebook.com/pg/centrum.ovrucska/events/?ref=page\\_internal](https://www.facebook.com/pg/centrum.ovrucska/events/?ref=page_internal)

#### **Event 90 – Social action: Sport day with the foreign students**

**Participation:** The event involved 22 citizens, including 2 organizers from the city of Prešov (Slovakia), 15 participants from the city of Prešov (Slovakia), 3 participants from Greece, 1 participant from Belorussia, 1 participant from Ukraine.

**Location / Dates:** The event took place in Prešov, Slovakia on 01/06/2018.

**Short description:** The aim of the event was to improve the relationships between Slovakian and foreign students studying at the Faculty of Orthodox Theology. Through the sport activities they started to communicate unformal and spent the day together.

#### **Event 91 – Social action: Cricket match**

**Participation:** The event involved 17 citizens, including 10 participants from India, 7 participants from the city the city of Košice (Slovakia).

**Location / Dates:** The event took place in Košice, Slovakia on 01/06/2018

**Short description:** The aim of the event was to make Indian and Slovakian students known to each other. The event was organised by one of our project participants who provides some support for Indian students at the Technical University of Košice (Slovakia). The impact of the event was empowering community of Indian students, they appreciated the extraordinary opportunity to play cricket; they became open to present cricket at other events in the future.

#### **Event 92 – Social action: Football match and community activities**

**Participation:** The event involved 100 citizens, including 10 organizers and 40 active participants from the city of Banská Bystrica (Slovakia).

**Location / Dates:** The event took place in Banská Bystrica, Slovakia, on 03/06/2018

**Short description:** The aim of the event was to break up the barriers between Roma and non-Roma through the community activities for the local families, both Roma and non-Roma. The event took place in the neighbourhood where the attack against the Roma happened 5 years ago. Through the event (some plays and workshops for the families, performances, competitions, football match) the mutual trust was given back.

#### **Event 93 – Social action: Painting activities within the public event - World Refugee Day**

**Participation:** The event involved 15 citizens, including 2 participants from **Iraq** and 13 participants who were visitors of World Refugee Day event in the city of Bratislava (**Slovakia**)

**Location / Dates:** The event took place in **Bratislava, Slovakia** on 17/06/2018.

**Short description:** The aim of the event was through the activity warn about situation of migrants in Slovakia. Participants joined the Umbrella March after they had painted their umbrellas lectured by 2 representatives of the Iraq community.

#### **Event 94 – Social action: Educational activity within the public event – World Refugee Day**

**Participation:** The event involved 4 participants from the city of Bratislava (**Slovakia**) and visitors (public) of the World Refugee Day event.

**Location / Dates:** The event took place in **Bratislava, Slovakia** on 17/06/2018.

**Short description:** The aim of the event was to inform wider public about phenomena of migration.

#### **Event 95 – Social action: Photo series mapping the life of foreigners**

**Participation:** The event involved 10 citizens, including 2 participants from the city of Bratislava (**Slovakia**), 1 participant from **Poland**, 1 participant from **Guatemala**, 1 participant from **Tunisia**, 1 participant from **Netherlands**, 1 participant from **China**, 1 participant from **Serbia**, 1 participant from **Kenya**, 1 participant from **Nigeria**.

**Location / Dates:** The event took place in **Bratislava, Slovakia**, from May 2018 to June 2018.

**Short description:** The aim of the event was to present life of foreigners through the personal photo stories.

## **7 events have been carried out in Romania within this project:**

#### **Event 96 – Social action: on the lake**

**Participation:** The event involved 20 citizens from 6 different countries

**Location / Dates:** The event took place in Bucharest (**Romania**) on 05/05/2018.

**Short description:** The activists organized two outdoor activities for refugee and migrants in Bucharest, in order to help them have fun and discover the city from an active point of view, enjoying the nature and the physical activities, have the chance to take a ride in the boats and see the big lakes in the capital.

#### **Event 97 – Social action: Informative session about migration at schools and faculties**

**Participation:** The event involved 50 citizens from 6 different countries

**Location / Dates:** The event took place in Bucharest (**Romania**) on 09/05/2018.

**Short description:** The aim of the event was to bring together teachers from 6 countries (Spain, Portugal, Turkey, Serbia, Macedonia, Romania) and 50 students who traveled from those countries to Romania to experience the multicultural life through a scholar exchange. The social action took place in the occasion of the opening of the project “New life, New hope” and was organized in collaboration with “Ion Helidae Radulescu” school in Bucharest.

#### **Event 98 – Social action: Vocational training for migrants**

**Participation:** The event involved 40 citizens.

**Location / Dates:** The event took place in Bucharest (**Romania**) in May and August 2018.

**Short description:** The aim of the event was to offer the services of a vocational consultant to 40 migrants, and to ensure that they get connected to the potential employers in order to facilitate their access to the labor market. Such vocational training consisted of analyzing the migrants’ education, previous work experience and guiding them towards the most appropriate field of interest, through individual trainings regarding interview questions and CV creation. The migrants had the unique opportunity to join and participate in Romanian language, English language and Computer training. Furthermore, they had the possibility to be accordingly given the necessary information regarding: potential jobs, with the various fields of expertise (according to their experience, needs and wants); employment procedures; rights and obligations; relevant insurance and banking information.

#### **Event 99 – Social action: Donations for the reception centers**

**Participation:** The event involved 100 citizens

**Location / Dates:** The event took place in Bucharest reception center (**Romania**), on 05/06/2018.

**Short description:** The event involved 100 citizens who reside in Bucharest Reception center and was organized by 2 active citizens who collected cloths, books and toys for the refugees and asylum seekers living there.

#### **Event 100 – Social action: Reading club for children**

**Participation:** The event involved 100 citizens

**Location / Dates:** The event took place in Curtea de Arges (**Romania**) on a weekly basis between May and September 2018.



**Short description:** The social action aims to bring together the Romanian and the migrant children, to meet weekly and read together a thematic book, so the children get to learn about diversity of the world and additionally do exercises from the Active Citizens toolkit. The reading club embraced migrant children from Senegal, they felt so integrated and they said that the reading club helped them making friends and having fun. The parents were very happy to see their children reading and spending quality time learning new things. Additionally, parents were also invited to join multicultural sessions as well as a bigger cleaning action in the city.

**Event 101 – Social action: Celebrating the International Refugee Day**

**Participation:** The event involved 100 citizens, including participants from Syria, Iraq, Iran, Turkey, Yemen, Egypt, Pakistan, India, Bangladesh, Russia, Ukraine, Japan and the United States of America.

**Location / Dates:** The event took place in Bucharest (**Romania**) on 20/06/2018.

**Short description:** The action took place in Bucharest; 100 refugees were invited from all around the world. The refugees presented and shared their cultural customs in their home countries, shared their traditional food, music and poetry, and had the chance to get to know other cultures and traditions and have fun at the time.

**Event 102 – Social action: Bucharest City Tour**

**Participation:** The event involved 40 citizens,

**Location / Dates:** The event took place in Bucharest (**Romania**) on 10/08/2018.

**Short description:** The social action was planned in the aim of encouraging the refugees to integrate in the city they live in, to get the chance to discover the main historical and natural features, to see the lively parts of Bucharest and to get the courage to repeat it by themselves and their families. The tour covered the main zone in the capital and extended to see the Old Town.



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