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**Applicable to the Strand 2 – Measure 2.2 "Networks of Towns"  
Measure 2.3 "Civil Society Projects"  
Strand 1 – "European Remembrance"**

**7 events have been carried out within this project:**

**Event 1**

**Participation:** The event involved 130 citizens, including 60 participants from the city of Vouziers (**France**), 40 participants from the town of Ratíškovice (**Czechia**), 20 participants from the town of Cífer (**Slovakia**) and 10 participants from the city of Daruvar (**Croatia**)

**Location / Dates:** The event took place in Vouziers (**France**), from 24/05/2022 to 28/05/2022

**Short description:** The aim of the event was dedicated to the topic: What BREXIT brings?. It focused on the events in the EU after the withdrawal of Great Britain from the EU. The role of the new Europe after BREXIT was highlighted. Other discussed topics were the expansion of the EU in the Balkans and the growth of Euroscepticism. The participants received important information about current actions ongoing in the EU. Young people were also involved in the event in the form of a mini camp. During the camp, young people acquired information about the EU and European awareness began to build in them. This is important for the future of Europe.

**Event 2**

**Participation:** The event involved 110 citizens, including 50 participants from the city of Daruvar (**Croatia**), 20 participants from the city of Vouziers (**France**), 20 participants from the town of Ratíškovice (**Czechia**), 20 participants from the town of Cífer (**Slovakia**)

**Location / Dates:** The event took place in Daruvar (**Croatia**), from 17/06/2022 to 19/06/2022

**Short description:** The aim of the event was dedicated to the topic: Solidarity for the future. This key topic of contemporary Europe was addressed mainly from the point of view of the local level. The theme of solidarity was presented from the point of view of the standing of seniors in society and assistance to them and the functioning of the non-profit sector. The latest EU initiative - the European Solidarity Corps (what it is, how it works) was presented. The discussion was also conducted on the topic of human rights and fundamental freedoms. The event brought a continuation of the mini-camp for youth, where they educated about the EU.

**Event 3**

**Participation:** The event involved 130 citizens, including 50 participants from the town of Ratíškovice (**Czechia**), 30 participants from the city of Vouziers (**France**), 30 participants from the town of Cífer (**Slovakia**) and 20 participants from the city of Daruvar (**Croatia**)

**Location / Dates:** The event took place in Ratíškovice (**Czechia**), from 08/07/2022 to 10/07/2022

**Short description:** The aim of the event was dedicated to the topic: The European citizenship is a basis for the future of the EU. European citizenship was presented as part of the activities. Citizens received basic information about the topic, especially what it means for them to be a European citizen. The main theme of the event helped bring citizens closer to solving the future of the EU. As part of the activities, the history of common citizenship was recalled, as well as one of its expressions - the right to vote in the EP. Citizens got to know how the European institutions work, but also the news in involving citizens in the functioning of the EU. Young participants tried out the job of a member of the EP. The activities also included the continuation of the mini-camp for youth.

#### **Event 4**

**Participation:** The event involved 110 citizens, including 40 participants from the town of Cífer (**Slovakia**), 20 participants from the city of Vouziers (**France**), 40 participants from the town of Ratíškovice (**Czechia**) and 10 participants from the city of Daruvar (**Croatia**)

**Location / Dates:** The event took place in Cífer (**Slovakia**), from 11/07/2022 to 12/07/2022

**Short description:** The aim of the event was dedicated to the topic: The non-profit sector, voluntariness, citizenship. As part of the activities, the need for active voluntary involvement in community work or helping others was highlighted. Local and international forms of volunteering were presented. Participants also got to know the stories of volunteers and their work and powerful stories from the past, as well as the selfless help that saved hundreds of lives. The most famous form of volunteering - a voluntary collection to help migrants from Ukraine - was part of the activities. The youth once again participated in a mini-camp where they learned about the EU.

#### **Event 5**

**Participation:** The event involved 75 citizens, including 25 participants from the town of Ratíškovice (**Czechia**), 20 participants from the city of Vouziers (**France**), 20 participants from the town of Cífer (**Slovakia**) and 10 participants from the city of Daruvar (**Croatia**)

**Location / Dates:** The event took place in Ratíškovice (**Czechia**), from 26/10/2022 to 28/10/2022

**Short description:** The aim of the event was dedicated to the topic: The cooperation within the EU deals with the problems and needs of the self-governments and associations. During the event, the present partners exchanged knowledge and experience in the areas of circular economy, waste management, cooperation with minorities, and care for seniors. Ordinary citizens were also involved in the discussions and presentations, which highlighted the civic principle of partnership and the creation of a common network. The activities also brought awareness of the benefits and concrete assistance of the EU. Partners presented successful projects co-financed from EU funds. The future of Europe was debated from the perspective of citizens. A mini-camp was held.

#### **Event 6**

**Participation:** The event involved 75 citizens, including 25 participants from the town of Popudinské Močidl'any (**Slovakia**), 20 participants from the city of Vouziers (**France**), 20 participants from the town of Ratíškovice (**Czechia**) and 10 participants from the city of Daruvar (**Croatia**)

**Location / Dates:** The event took place in Popudinské Močidl'any (**Slovakia**), from 29/10/2022 to 30/10/2022

**Short description:** The aim of the event was dedicated to the topic: The young and the future of Europe. Thanks to presentations and discussions, it was possible to involve more young people in the project. Young people gained important incentives for making decisions in favour of the EU. EU mobility programs, as well as programs for internships, studies, and work in EU institutions or EU countries, were adapted for young people. Young people discussed the functioning of the EU with representatives of partners. A mini-camp was held.

#### **Event 7**

**Participation:** The event involved 75 citizens, including 25 participants from the city of Vouziers (**France**), 25 participants from the town of Ratíškovice (**Czechia**), 20 participants from the town of Cífer (**Slovakia**) and 5 participants from the city of Daruvar (**Croatia**)

**Location / Dates:** The event took place in Vouziers (**France**), from 10/11/2022 to 12/11/2022

**Short description:** The aim of the event was dedicated to the topic: The past is a memento for the future. As part of the activities, the participants looked at the history of the EU from the end of World War II, through the signing of the Treaties of Rome, to the present day. The participants discussed the benefits and negatives of EU membership. The topic of the Holocaust was also presented, as a stimulus for suppressing intolerance towards foreigners/migrants nowadays. The event showed young people the horrors of conflict. A mini-camp was held.