

EVENT DESCRIPTION SHEET

PROJECT	
Project name and acronym:	We are not strangers — Strangers
Participant:	OBEC KRALOVA PRI SENCI (KRALOVA PRI SENCI)
PIC number:	925772269

EVENT DESCRIPTION			
Event number:	1		
Event name:	We are not strangers event		
Type:	public event		
In situ/online:	in-situ		
Location:	Slovakia, Kráľová pri Senci		
Date(s):	08/09/2023 – 10/09/2023		
Website(s) (if any):	https://www.kralovaprisenci.sk/zivot-v-obci/kralovska-slavnost/kralovska-slavnost-2023/		
/Participants/			
Female:	340		
Male:	340		
Non-binary:	0		
From country 1 [Hungary]:	60		
From country 2 [Czechia]:	60		
From country 3 [Romania]:	60		
From country 4 [Slovakia]:	500		
Total number of participants:	680	From total number of countries:	4
Description			
<i>Provide a short description of the event and its activities.</i>			
Agenda/short summary of the event:			
The event was realized as a series of activities carried out over three days. Activities can be sorted by topic into groups:			
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ The development of solidarity – activities focused on mapping the current situation in Europe, presentation of volunteering and practical solidarity 			

- Raising awareness about the EU – workshops and discussions about the EU, its future, and tasks in the times of conflicts
- Cultural and linguistic diversity – presentations focused on removing barriers and prejudices

The implemented activities of the project were as follows:

Press conference on the event opening – During the activity aims of the project, its goals, planned results, and outcomes were presented. Also a short introduction to the CERV programme and financial support from the EU were presented to the media and public.

Connecting nations in times of conflicts – the debate of partners' representatives on the current events in Europe. The topics were war in Ukraine, the COVID-19 pandemic, and further current issues. The debate presented opinions from the bottom, local level.

Help and solidarity in times of pandemic, migration, and conflict – workshop and exchange of experience on coping with critical situations. The representatives of partners and active citizens spoke about the issue of solidarity and volunteering among nations in times of crises. The activity was focused on exchange of experiences.

Orbis pictus – exhibition of photographs on the current events in Europe connected with discussion.

Social event – place for mutual communication and interaction among the participants.

The European Infostand – giving the promotional items on the EU for all participants.

Cultural and linguistic richness of Europe – creative workshop for all generations. Activities where individuals showed their skills.

Gastronomy of nations - presentation of specific features of the nations – gastronomy specials.

Practical help and solidarity – meeting with volunteers helping in the times of crises. Discussion with volunteers helping in the Ukrainian border, helping during the COVID-19 pandemic.

What is Europe? – debate on the current European themes and the future of Europe. Engaging of participants and hear their opinions about the EU.

Cultural performances - presentation of cultural diversity of the partnership and the EU. Culture was helping in overcoming national barriers.

Interactive evening for children and their parents – creating children-friendly space for familiarizing among peers.

Dance party - mutual communication and interaction among participants from 4 EU countries.

Holy Mass - involving a religious element in the process for overcoming prejudices and breaking barriers.

Pandemic of Euroscepticism – discussion of young people on the European Union and its benefits. We have informed young Europeans about the European values of solidarity, tolerance and non-discrimination.

For the Elderly – active ageing, exchange of experiences, a presentation and discussion about the themes worrying seniors from four countries.

European cultural heritage – presentation of traditional culture from the partner municipalities.

Closing ceremony - conclusions of the project and its outcomes.

Outputs:

Event Description Sheet (ESD) published on the website of the local municipality – Obec Kráľová pri Senci. Photos, video and other outputs are also published here.

Target groups:

Ordinary citizens of the partner municipalities - participants in the implementation of the project.

Main achievement:

Bringing the citizens of four countries together so that they are no longer strangers to each other.