

EVENT DESCRIPTION SHEET

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

PROJECT	
Participant:	1 - COMUNA MERESTI (Meresti)
PIC number:	938720217
Project name and acronym:	Town twinning in times of solidarity — Town twinning in tim

EVENT DESCRIPTION	
Event number:	1
Event name:	Town twinning in times of solidarity
Type:	Conference - Event
In situ/online:	in-situ
Location:	Romania],Meresti
Date(s):	August 25-27, 2023
Website(s) (if any):	https://projectmeresti.eu
Participants	
Female:	195
Male:	195
Non-binary:	10
From country 1 Croatia]:	13
From country 2 Hungary:	163
From country 3 Slovakia:	24
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Total number of participants:	400
From total number of countries:	4
Description	
<i>Provide a short description of the event and its activities.</i>	
<p>The town twinning event, having the title “Town twinning in times of solidarity”, was organized between 25-27 August 2023 in Meresti, a Romanian village. The 3-day program offered activities at international level, it had 400 invitees from 4 countries, namely Croatia, Slovakia, Hungary and Romania.</p>	

The objectives of the programme included getting to know the causes and principles of the establishment of the EU, learning about the benefits of being part of the EU communities, and getting to know and discuss the challenges and problems affecting the EU. The latter theme was related to the war in Ukraine, the Covid-19 pandemic, euroscepticism and discrimination against women. In addition, an important objective was to discover and raise awareness of the cultural values of the different settlements, to understand and accept cultural diversity, and to raise awareness of the maintenance of cultural identity and diversity. In addition, the future perspective of the EU was discussed and opportunities for cooperation were developed.

Moreover, there was a program organized for young people on the topic of solidarity, they could get acquainted with the concept of volunteering. They also gained insight into Erasmus+ and the European Solidarity Corps programmes, the benefits of these programmes and how they could get involved.

The delegates of the municipalities worked on all the above-mentioned topics during presentations and roundtable discussions, so it was possible to join 4 roundtable discussions, view 6 different presentations and discuss them. In addition, the 400 invited guests gained insight into each other's culture and gastronomy through cultural parades, folk dance shows and joint cooking.

After the event, a dissemination event was also held in each of the participating settlements, during which each sister settlement presented the results of the event to a maximum of 25 people.

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