

**EVENT DESCRIPTION SHEET***(To be filled in and uploaded as deliverable in the Portal Grant Management System, at the due date foreseen in the system.)* *Please provide one sheet per event (one event = one workpackage = one lump sum).)*

PROJECT	
Project name and acronym:	Solidarity Across Towns — SOLIDARITOWN
Participant:	Christmas Cities Network
PIC number:	920292836 CPT Krško

EVENT DESCRIPTION	
Event number:	2
Event name:	SOLIDARITY AS AN ANSWER FOR CRITICAL TIMES (KRŠKO)
Type:	Training session (Local and Europeans) Partners Presentations (8 organisations) Discussion groups (Local and Europeans) Podcasts LAB (Coordination groups)
In situ/online:	<i>In situ - Presential</i>
Location:	Slovenia, Krško
Date(s):	6.6.-7.6.2024
Website(s) (if any):	https://www.cptkrsko.si/projekt-solidaritown/ https://www.cptkrsko.si/wp-content/uploads/EDS.pdf
Participants	
Female:	20
Male:	35
Non-binary:	0
From Slovenia:	41
From Romania:	2
From Poland:	2
From Belgium:	2
From Spain:	5

From Italy	2		
From Portugal	1		
***From Ukraine	2		
Total number of participants:	55	From total number of countries:	7

Description

Provide a short description of the event and its activities.

The Second International Event WP 3 meeting was held in Krško(Slovenia) between the 6th and 7th of June 2024 for our joint project SOLIDARITOWN.

PARTNER ORGANISATIONS ATTENDING THE MEETING:

- ☐ Christmas Cities Network Association (Spain).
- ☐ Ayuntamiento de Medina de Rioseco (Spain).
- ☐ Asociatia Se Poate (Romania).
- ☐ AUTOKREACJA FOUNDATION (Poland) and
- ☐ Association Edushakers (Belgium).
- ☐ Center Za Podjetnistvo in Turizem krsko (Slovenia)
- ☐ Municipality of Genova (Italy).
- ☐ Associacao Educpro (Portugal).

INVITED ORGANIZATIONS :

City Krško municipality (Slovenia)

Member of EU Parliament Mr. Franc Bogovič (Slovenia)

National organisation Slovenian Association of Friends of Youth (ZPM) (Slovenia)

NGO Rural Women (Slovenia)

NGO Group for traditional salamy production (Slovenia)

I) DESCRIPTION OF THE ACTIVITIES TAKEN PLACE

5/6/2024

- Arrival of Participants from each partner delegation, pick up from airport Zagreb
- Official welcoming
- Networking between participants and presenting time schedule for next 2 days

6/6/2024

- Transport to event venue: Business Incubator in town Krško
- Formal greeting from Mayor of City Krško municipality (Mr. Janez Kerin) and Mrs. Kristina Ogorevc Račič (Director of the Center for Entrepreneurship and Tourism Krško)

First session

- On the topic of Solidarity and civic participation in small towns partner from Krško presented wider activities of Center for Entrepreneurship and Tourism Krško and City Krško municipality in relation to solidarity, civic participation and Christmas events.
- Presented by Mrs. Janja Jordan (Senior Consultant for EU Funds, Head of desk) and Ksenja Kragl (Project manager).
- Faculty of Tourism, UNIVERSITY OF MARIBOR- Mag. Anja Mlakar gave a talk about Celebrating Christmas then and now- look at history and current practices. After presentation we had group discussion about same topics in different EU counties.

Second session

This was Creative City-Talk and all participants walk through the Old town Krško interviewing citizens on the street and exchanging ideas with them. For this session we designed questionnaires for participants and for local people, that we met on the street. People asked questions about privileges of EU citizenship and what we can do for better EU.

Third session

- We talked about social inclusion of women and had a group discussion with local NGO of rural women. After that we were learning local crafts and had Culinary workshop - 'Christmas pastries'
- We also met local NGO of Traditional salami producers and learnt about their craft of making salami. Participants could taste local food.

7/6/2024

- Transport to venue: Castle Rajhenburg
- Formal greeting from Castle coordinator Mrs. Helena Rožman

First session

- Topic: European citizenship and human rights
- Presentation of the functioning of EU Parliament by Member of EU Parliament - Mr. Franc Bogovič
- Debate and round table with Member of EU Parliament Mr. Franc Bogovič and representatives of rural youth (Topic history of Europe)
- Video presentation of European Commissioner for Crisis Management Mr. Janez Lenarčič (Former Director of the Office for Democratic Institutions and Human Rights within the Organization for Security and Co-operation in Europe)
- Discussion on social responsibility and justice
- Presentation and discussion with vice president of national organisation Slovenian Association of Friends of Youth (ZPM) – Uroš Brezovšek (Solidarity around Christmas)
- Group discussion with all participants

Second session

- Social Media Lab Marathon
- Participants created social media posts and were spreading conclusions on different social media channels. Also posting photos and videos of the event and discussion.
- Podcasts LAB
- Lokal TV- ePosavje were interviewing each participant member and they talked about human rights issue and about importance of gatherings like this one, when people come together and talk about different issues. Podcast was latter presented on local TV and also on youtube channel.

Third session

- Guided tour of the castle
- Exhibition: Penal Institutions at Rajhenburg Castle, 1948-1966
- Exhibition: Slovene Deportees 1941-1945
- Exhibition: The Trappist Order in Rajhenburg
- In the evening participants joined the event: Celebration of municipality Krško and met and discuss with local residents.

8/6/2024

- Departure of participants

HISTORY OF CHANGES

VERSION	PUBLICATION DATE	CHANGE
1.0	01/09/2022	Initial version (new MFF).

