

EVENT DESCRIPTION SHEET

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PROJECT	
Project name and acronym:	Solidarity Across Towns — SOLIDARITOWN
Participant:	Christmas Cities Network
PIC number:	880071689 Ayuntamiento de Medina de Rioseco

EVENT DESCRIPTION	
Event number:	4
Event name:	SOLIDARITY, VOLUNTEERING AND ACTIVE YOUTH PARTICIPATION FOR A BETTER QUALITY OF LIFE (MEDINA DE RIOSECO)
Type:	Seminar with experienced agents Specific workshop for best practices exchange Ideas market
In situ/online:	<i>In situ - Presential</i>
Location:	Medina de Rioseco, Spain
Date(s):	28.11.2024 - 29.11.2024
Website(s) (if any):	https://medinaderioseco.org/informacion-congreso-solidaritown-en-medina-de-rioseco/
Participants	
Female:	34
Male:	26
Non-binary:	0
From Spain:	47
From Romania:	2
From Poland:	2
From Belgium:	2
From Slovenia:	2
From Italy:	1

From Portugal	2		
***From Ukraine	2		
Total number of participants:	60	From total number of countries:	7

Description

Provide a short description of the event and its activities.

The Fourth International Event WP 4 meeting was held in Medina de Rioseco (Spain) between the 28th and 29th of November 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 :

- UNICEF Regional Coordinator. Castilla y León (Spain)
- Provincial Council of Valladolid. CEAS Tierra de Campos (Spain).
- National Polytechnical University of Lviv (Ukraine).
- University of Valladolid (Spain)
- Junta de Semana Santa de Medina de Rioseco (Spain)

DESCRIPTION OF THE ACTIVITIES TAKEN PLACE

27/11/2024

- Arrival of Participants from each partner delegation, pick up from train station of Valladolid
- Official welcoming in Medina de Rioseco
- Networking between participants and presenting time schedule for next 2 days

28/11/2024

- The journey started at the historical public building: Casino y Círculo de Recreo, Medina de Rioseco.
- Formal greetings from Mayor of Medina de Rioseco (Mr. David Esteban).

First session

- Seminar with experienced agents: On the topic of Volunteering and promotion of youth participation, guests from different local and regional organizations presented their experiences and projects in Medina de Rioseco:
 - o Cristina García Romón. Councillor for Children (CAI Seal) Medina de Rioseco.
 - o Rocío Gutiérrez Ruiz. UNICEF Regional Coordinator. Castilla y León
 - o Carolina Bravo San José. Social Worker CEAS Tierra de Campos (Diputación de Valladolid).
 - o M^a Jesús Cordero Villareal: Technician COCEDER, CDR SEQUILLO (BIOCUIDADOS)

- Specific workshop for best practices exchange: Divided by groups, participants reflected about similar experiences and projects in their target territories. Animated by young volunteers from the Municipality of Medina de Rioseco, groups delivered conclusions about best practices in each target territory from involved partners.

Second session

This was City-Walk, guided by young volunteers from Medina de Rioseco, for best practices exchange, where Medina de Rioseco shared its projects at the Canal de Castilla port, linked to Christmas celebrations and sustainable tourism.

After this session, Medina de Rioseco showed its exhibition about Christmas nativity scenes, organized by an association of volunteers, who came from different areas of Castilla y Leon. Participants were able to interview the main artists and organizers. All of them, local volunteers.

Third session

- During the night, volunteers from the Association of Saint James Path, organized a guided visit to the main local heritage of Medina de Rioseco and their main volunteer tasks promoting Association of Saint James Path.

29/11/2024

- The journey started at the historical public building: Casino y Círculo de Recreo, Medina de Rioseco.

First session

- Seminar with experienced agents: On the topic of Volunteering and promotion of youth participation, guests from different local and regional organizations presented their experiences and projects in Medina de Rioseco:
 - o M.^a Belén Miranda Escolar. Lecturer in Applied Economics. Institute of European Studies. University of Valladolid.
 - o Paula Guerra. AEICE European Funds Project. RÍO-RÚA.
 - o Gustavo Martín Garzo. Writer, columnist, novelist and poet. Graduate in Philosophy and Literature. Winner of the Premio Nacional de Narrativa, Premio Nadal, Premio Nacional de Literatura Infantil y Juvenil and others.
 - o Ramón García Domínguez. Writer, journalist, novelist and official biographer of Miguel Delibes. Winner of the Ala Delta Award, among others.
 - o José González Torices. Teacher, philologist and writer.
 - o Alberto Rodríguez Cillero. Archpriest of Campos and Parish Priest of Santa María and Santiago de Medina de Rioseco among other municipalities.

Second session

- Participants did a workshop about ideas exchange and generation of new ideas: "Ideas Market", with local youth associations and cultural associations. Participants launched ideas about how to promote youth involvement in Solidarity and Social Inclusion projects, linked to Christmas.

Third session

- The journey concluded with a conference from 2 experts:
 - o Raúl de la Hoz. Member of the European Parliament.
 - o Francisco Fonseca Morillo. Director of the Institute of European Studies of the UVA.
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30/11/2024

- Departure of participants

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