

## The project Bridges instead of walls - Srbija at the gate of the European Union was funded with the support of the European Union under the Programme "Europe for Citizens"

## Applicable to the Strand 2 - Measure 2.1 "Town-Twinning"

Participation: The project involved **207** citizens, notably **46** participants from MADARSKI KULTURNI CENTAR NEPKER SUBOTICA UDRUZENJE (**Serbia**), **9** participants from MAUERMUSEUM - MUSEUM HAUS AM CHECKPOINT CHARLIE (**Germany**),**17** participants from Kyjovske Slovacko v pohybu (**Czech Republic**), **30** participants from OBEC ZEMNE (**Slovakia**), **26** participants from Katholische Ungarische Mission Münster (**Germany**), **34** participants from ASOCIATIA PRO TENERIS (**Romania**), **45** participants from KISKUNHALAS VAROS ONKORMANYZATA (**Hungary**).

Location/ Dates: The event took place in Subotica, Serbia, from 23/08/2019 to 25/08/2019.

## **Short description:**

The day of **23/08/2019** was dedicated to Introductory meeting, Euro Bazaar, Creative workshop for children and Photo exhibition

After the arrival of all delegation, we held an introductory meeting. On the main square of Subotica, within the frame of the project delegations of all participating countries introduced themselves in a tent. They presented their traditions, cities, countries, sights and all the things they can be proud of. On the afternoon, the organizers and the participants organized Union themed creative programs for children and young people. The acquis of the European Union was be presented to every age group in their own language with games, theatric performances and musical compositions. We also organized an exhibition about the fall of the Berlin Wall and a Europe without walls. The main motive, was that we can only live together by following the same idea. The pictures were sent by the partners, before the meeting and everyone presented the subject from his/hers own perspective.

The day of **24/08/2019** was dedicated to Workshops, Balloons performance, Flash mob, Euro Bazaar, Creative workshop for children and Photo exhibition

In the afternoon hours, with the title "Our legacy in the EU! "- introductory presentations was organized for countries participating in the program, first and foremost about their integration paths from the point of view of European citizenship.

The next workshop was titled: There is a fence at the gate of Europe today too... we were discussing the geopolitical role of the Berlin Wall; lecturers analyzed the effects of European border fences on integration as a whole. The essence of the view exchanges was to get to know the possibilities of European unity not only in pictures but also in words and opinions.

Workshop no.3: Serbia in front of the gates of the Union - round table conversations, experiences - opinions about the spirituality of the Union. The purpose of the workshop was to examine the reasons for this, the participants were local and EU politicians, who presented facts and experiences for the participants.

In the afternoon hours a Flash mob was be organized on the main square of Subotica - Free hug! The aim of the flash mob was to draw attention to the theme by generating astonishment.

At the end of the day with the title "From light and air" we commemorated the victims of the walls set up in Europe - the balloons symbolized a world without borders. The Euro Bazaar, Creative workshop for children and the Photo exhibition was open and active during the three days.

The day of **25/08/2019** was dedicated to Euro Bazaar, Creative workshop for children, Photo exhibition and Closing event

The Euro Bazaar, Creative workshop for children and the Photo exhibition was open and active during the three days.

The young people of all participating countries performed a joint dance production, which they practiced on the days before. As a result of the production, the tolerance based on variegation, took form through a common language, music and dance, just as the common European citizenship.