

EVENT DESCRIPTION SHEET

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PROJECT	
Participant:	1 – Municipality of Veľké Ripňany, Veľké Ripňany
PIC number:	938879200
Project name and acronym:	Spolu pre Európu: Plán solidarity, rovnosti a udržateľnosti — SEPSRU

EVENT DESCRIPTION			
Event number:	101215614		
Event name:	Spolu pre Európu: Plán solidarity, rovnosti a udržateľnosti		
Type:	Opening ceremony, discussion, workshops, debates, cultural and social activities, symbolic activities		
In situ/online:	in-situ		
Location:	Slovakia, Veľké Ripňany		
Date(s):	25/09/2025 – 27/09/2025		
Website(s) (if any):	https://www.velkeripnany.sk/		
Participants			
Female:	150		
Male:	150		
Non-binary:	0		
From country 1 [Slovakia]:	130		
From country 2 [Hungary]:	3		
From country 3 [Poland]:	46		
From country 4 [Serbia]:	61		
From country 5 [Czech Republic]:	52		
From country 6 [Austria]:	8		
Total number of participants:	300	From total number of countries:	6
Description			
Provide a short description of the event and its activities.			

The project "Spolu pre Európu: Plán solidarity, rovnosti a udržateľnosti" (Together for Europe: A Roadmap for Solidarity, Equality and Sustainability) was a three-day international gathering of citizens from seven partner municipalities and cities coming from 6 European countries, aimed at strengthening European solidarity, gender equality and sustainable development. The main objective of the project was to create a platform for mutual learning and exchange of best practices between participants from different countries. Participants could engage in interactive workshops, discussions and symbolic activities that promote mutual understanding, sharing of experiences and cooperation to address current challenges.

Activities of the first day:

Official opening of the program by the mayor of Veľké Ripňany and representatives of the partner municipalities which included short presentations of individual municipalities (Dąbrowa, Želetice, Spotnica, Stadtfeuerwehr Pinkafeld, Szanda, Bajina Bašta).

Citizens' dialogue "Solidarity and Europe" which consisted of introduction of 3 discussants from municipality of Veľké Ripňany, Prijepolje and Szanda, where residents of different nationalities live, and how municipal leaders approaches the topic of solidarity in practice. The participants discussed on what solidarity means in the context of the European Union, how citizens perceive it and why it is important. The activity was ended by presentation of solidarity projects from other municipalities/cities.

Cultural evening consisting of a presentation of cultural heritage by the Ripín folklore ensemble (Veľké Ripňany, SK) and a presentation of local folklore traditions. In the second part of the evening, participants could see a demonstration of traditional crafts, organized by the Želetice Women association (Želetice, Czech Republic) or a music and dance performance with a traditional musical instrument ("gajdy"), presented by the Gajdoši Association for the Preservation of Traditions (Szanda, HU). At the end of the evening took place networking where the participants had space for informal discussion a exchange of experiences in the field of culture and traditions.

Activities of the second day of the event

Workshop "The Role of Women in European Society" (moderated by representatives of the civic association "Želeticke ženy" and moderators from the Woman Forum from the Serbian city of Prijepolje) consisted of:

- Panel discussion on the role of women in traditional and modern society. The panel consisted of representatives of Prijepolje, Želetice (Želeticke ženy), the Austrian Pinkafeld and the Slovak Veľké Ripné (representative of the Union of Pensioners). The subject of the discussion were questions such as: the impact of women's work and their associations on the community, especially the local one, why it is important to support women's participation in local communities and sharing examples of good practice from individual municipalities/cities/countries.
- Group work on the topic: "How can we support women's participation in our communities?" - proposals for strengthening the role of women in social and civic life.

The panel discussion: Environmental challenges for local governments and sustainable development included:

- A presentation on how the municipality of Dąbrowa manages and promotes its natural heritage. The presentation was followed by a discussion on biodiversity protection, sustainable tourism and community involvement in environmental activities.
- A discussion on supporting tourism and cycling as a means of revitalizing the local economy.
- A lecture by mountaineer Ilija Andrejić on his ascent of Mount Everest, combined with his observations on the topic of global warming and mountain protection.
- A presentation on the industrial development of the municipality of Bajina Baška in harmony with nature, including the use of the Drina River and the development of tourism in the area of Mount Tara.

European Friendship Tree Planting - symbolic planting of 7 trees in a local park as a sign of solidarity and friendship between partner municipalities.

The Musical Evening included performances by the local band "Ripňančanky", the David Choir, and performances by local and foreign musical groups.

Activities of the third day of the event

Workshop "Future of Europe" focused on processing the conclusions from the discussions.

Workshop consisting of:

- Summarization of the main points from the discussions on solidarity, the role of women in European society, environmental issues faced by local governments and civic participation.
- Creation of proposals and recommendations for strengthening these topics at both local and European level.

Development of a common action plan "Together for Europe: A Plan for Solidarity, Equality and Sustainability" where the participants developed a common action plan containing concrete measures and initiatives for strengthening solidarity, gender equality, environmental sustainability and civic participation.

For the participants were also prepared other activities, such as

- Tour of the village and its surroundings focused on cultural heritage and history.
- Leisure activities (sports, tourism).
- Information stands on European solidarity projects.

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