

The project «Európai válaszok az európai kérdésekre – az együttműködés, a kultúra és az értékek napjai» was funded with the support of the European Union under the Programme "Europe for Citizens"

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Participation: The project involved 325 citizens, notably 76 participants from the city of Valae lui Mihai (**Romania**), 19 participants from the city of Cristur-Csernakeresztúr (**Romania**), 10 participants from the organisation Csurbeláj Három Vidék, Kapušianske Kľačany (**Slovakia**), 10 participants from the city of Tasnad (**Romania**), 64 participants from the organisation Udruzenje gradana Aracs-95, Novi Bečej (**Serbia**), and 146 participants from the organisation Nagykállói Ifjúsági Egyesület, Nyíregyháza (**Hungary**).

Location/ Dates: The event took place in **Nagykálló, Hungary**, from 03/09/2021 to 05/09/2021.

Short description:

3. Sept.:

Our guests arrived continually in the afternoon, with whom we presented the exact program of the next few days as part of an opening meeting. The participating teams got to know each other's activities and the region they came from later, during a joint activity. This was followed by an exchange of views on the pros and cons of belonging to the EU, which made it possible to learn about each guest's attitude towards the EU. We followed the day with a one-generation exchange of views on Youth Strategy 2019-2027. We outlined its 11 main objectives. The participants got to know the sights of Nagykálló in mixed groups, and then they could take part in an interesting lecture about the former Kálló castle. This building served a defense function for hundreds of years, it was destroyed then probably, in the 18th century but its clues and floor plan have survived to this day. The guests formed new friendships in the form of cultural program and conversations together for the rest of the evening.

4. Sept.:

The programs took place in Harangod (a hilly part of Nagykálló close to nature with an artificial lake, which is mainly home of leisure activities and various camps in summer) on this day, where young and old could take part in many activities. Games and competitions awaited the children, and the teams were able to join cultural programs and the ratatouille cooking competition. Plenty of local and regional Non-Governmental Organizations and other institutions were represented themselves at the venue, where they were also given the opportunity to introduce themselves, either live or through their own products. Our association also waited for the little ones with free programs: face painting, glitter tattoo making, colouring. The Eurodesk representative held a discussion on Erasmus+ for students and other young people and introduced the European Solidarity Corps to young people. Those interested could take part in a varied cultural program in parallel with the cooking competition. Traditionalist zithers and a less traditional female choir performed on the stage, and the local Kállai Wedding Association performed the famous "Kállai kettős" (dance). Health programs and a puppet show were also waiting for those interested, followed by pop-rock concerts in the evening, during which small and large, both domestic and foreign, had fun together. The evening was closed by fireworks.

5. Sept.:

On the third day of the meeting, we offered the opportunity to practice spiritual life - our guests were able to attend the morning mass.

We wreathed the monument to those who gave their lives in the I. and II. world war later. At the same time, we remembered that the loss of their lives in their young ages were what could make this long, peaceful period a reality.

This was followed by a joint closing of the program, in which we jointly evaluated the days we spent together, and then, after handing over the gifts, the guests returned home.