

EVENT DESCRIPTION SHEET

PROJECT	
Project name and acronym:	What it's like to be European — WILTBE
Participant:	OBEC VACENOVICE (VACENOVICE)
PIC number:	936616093

EVENT DESCRIPTION	
Event number:	[1]
Event name:	What it's like to be European
Type:	[public event]
In situ/online:	[in-situ]
Location:	Czechia, Vacenovice
Date(s):	29/09/2022 – 02/10/2022
Website(s) (if any):	https://www.vacenovice.cz/obec/projekty/jake-to-je-byt-evropanem-2022/
/Participants/	
Female:	335
Male:	335
Non-binary:	0
From country 1 [Austria]:	50
From country 2 [Croatia]:	50
From country 3 [Slovakia]:	70
From country 4 [Czechia]:	500
Total number of participants:	670
From total number of countries:	4
Description	
<i>Provide a short description of the event and its activities.</i>	
<p>The project was attended by 670 participants, notably 500 participants from host town of Vacenovice (Czechia), 50 participants from town of Gaming (Austria), 50 participants from the town of Babina Greda (Croatia) and 70 participants from town of Sološnica (Slovakia). Number of international participants: 170.</p> <p>The event took place in Vacenovice (Czechia) from 29/09/2022 to 02/10/2022.</p>	

Coordinator of the project was: Obec Vacenovice (Czechia)

Partners were : Gaming (Austria); Babina Greda (Croatia); Sološnica (Slovakia).

The implementation of the project consisted of the organization of one public event and its promotion and dissemination of its results. Its task was to connect partner municipalities and their citizens through variable activities. These included workshops, trainings, debates, presentations, awareness-raising activities, exchanges and dissemination of good practices, communication activities. These were part of the four-day program. As part of the project, we provided citizens with an insight into the functioning of the EU, not from an institutional point of view, but from the point of view of its impact on citizens' lives. The topics of the project were the support of connecting citizens from different EU countries, the presentation of the cultural diversity of Europe, the debate on the future of Europe, the support of cooperation between municipalities and the development of mutual relations between the citizens of Europe. The implemented activities were as follows:

1st day

Ceremonial welcoming of guests and opening of the event

Bridges between East and West - an exhibition connected with the theme of 18 years of EU membership

The first day in Europe - presentation of the history of the EU and its expansion in 2004, discussion on EU membership

Language school - Czech, Slovak, Croatian and Austrian languages, workshop

A night of friendship

2nd day

Sightseeing in the village

Gastronomy of European nations

Interactive with Europe - fun and interactive education for children about the EU

Society of seniors - discussion with seniors, presentation of the Active senior program

The second day in Europe - interesting European countries presented by primary school students

School of life – getting to know the traditional songs of the present nations

3rd day

The EU stand - providing information about the EU and the CERV programme

This is how it was in the past - demonstrations and teaching of traditional rural activities (winemaking, beekeeping, folk art)

Third day in Europe – solidarity, help and volunteering, discussion with representatives of the Organization for Aid for Refugees

Civil society in a cube - presentations of volunteer associations from partner municipalities

Creative workshops for the youngest and oldest participants

Culture of Europe – cultural program of ensembles from partner municipalities

Social entertainment

4th day

Holy Mass

Fourth day in Europe - how the EU works - talk

Solving the COVID-19 pandemic at the local level – exchange of best practices