

EVENT DESCRIPTION SHEET

PROJECT	
Project name and acronym:	Future of Europe is in our hands — FUTURE
Participant:	OBEC VACENOVICE (VACENOVICE)
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EVENT DESCRIPTION	
Event number:	[1]
Event name:	Future of Europe is in our hands
Type:	[public event]
In situ/online:	[in-situ]
Location:	Czechia, Vacenovice
Date(s):	29/09/2023 – 01/10/2023
Website(s) (if any):	https://www.vacenovice.cz/obec/projekty/
/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 29/09/2023 to 01/10/2023.</p> <p>Coordinator of the project was: Obec Vacenovice (Czechia)</p>	

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 three-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 solving the future of the EU and increasing the engagement of citizens in the EU, the support of cooperation between municipalities and the development of mutual relations between the citizens of Europe. The implemented activities were as follows:

Day 1 was dedicated to the future of Europe, the COVID-19 pandemic and culture. Implemented activities were:

Ceremonial welcome of guests and opening of the event, press conference
Back to school – presentation of the EU by children
Pandemic on the decline - discussion on the impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic and examples of good practice
The future of Europe is in our hands - workshop on current topics for the EU
Night of friendship - culture of four nations

Day 2 was devoted to European integration, solidarity, volunteering and cultural wealth. Implemented activities were:

EU stand - information about the EU and the CERV Programme
Gastronomy of European nations
Bridges between East and West – workshop on European integration and EU membership
Solidarity, help and volunteering - discussion
Something for seniors - discussion with seniors about how they survived the pandemic, active aging programs
Young people in Europe, the story of students who used the Erasmus+ program, presentation of the offer of EU programs for young people
School of life – getting to know the traditional songs of the nations present

Day 3 was dedicated to active citizenship, culture, volunteering and the future of the EU. Implemented activities were:

This is how it was in the past - demonstrations and teaching of traditional rural activities
Civil society in a nutshell - presentations of volunteer associations from partner municipalities
Quo vadis – meeting of representatives of partner municipalities about the future of the partnership
EU yesterday, today and tomorrow - workshop on the Conference on the Future of Europe
Creative workshops for the youngest and oldest participants
Culture of Europe – cultural program of ensembles from partner municipalities
Social entertainment