#### **June 2023**

# >>> NEWSLETTER <<</td>YOUTH EXCHANGE NEWS



# TOP NEWS OF THE MONTH

YOUTH EXCHANGE IN BANSKO, BULGARIA In Bansko, Bulgaria, participants from Italy, Spain, Romania, Greece, Turkey, and of course, the hosting country Bulgaria, met for a youth exchange project, organized by PROVISION International and co-funded by the Erasmus+ Programme of the European Union.

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Active citizenship for European solidarity means engaging in activities that promote a sense of community and cooperation across Europe. This can include volunteering, participating in political activities and supporting initiatives that promote unity and solidarity. ~~~

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#### WHY ARE WE HERE?

#### >>> THE AIMS OF THE PROJECT

The project is aimed to help young people understand European Union and the concept of European citizenship, to encourage sense of belonging to the principles of the EU and its values, to foster volunteering and active participation of young people in civil society, to raise awareness among young people about the opportunities given by Erasmus+ program and European solidarity corps and to encourage their participations.

### GETING TO KNOW EACH OTHER >>>

ON OUR FIRST DAY, WE ENGAGED IN ICE-BREAKING ACTIVITIES THAT ENCOURAGED SELF-EXPRESSION AND FOSTERED CONNECTIONS. THROUGH THOUGHT-PROVOKING QUESTIONS, WE DISCOVERED HIDDEN TALENTS, SHARED ASPIRATIONS, AND FORMED BONDS THAT TRANSCENDED BORDERS.



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#### GETTING TO KNOW EACH OTHER IN A FUN AND CONSTRUCTIVE WAY







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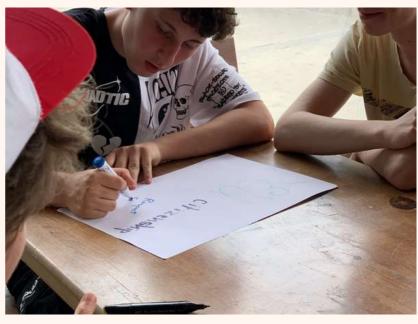
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**MISSION IMPOSSIBLE?** 

#### 7TH JUNE 2023 WORKSHOP - "WORLD CAFÉ"

DIVIDEED IN 5 GROUPS, THE PARTICIPANTS WROTE DOWN WORDS AND PHRASES CONNECTED WITH EU CITIZENSHIP, EU CHALLANGES, EU VALUES, BENEFITS OF EU AND EU SOLIDARITY



#### **BREAKING NEWS**



THE TYPES OF EXCHANGE PROGRAMMES WERE PRESENTED IN A BREAKING NEWS FORMAT BY GROUPS OF 7 PARTICIPANTS

#### **OUR INTERCULTURAL NIGHT**

The participants presented their own country, their own traditions. They also had the chance to sample different local flavour and to get more information about places and cities, costumes, music and folk dancing.





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#### 8TH JUNE 2023



Europe and Youth Understanding country realities context

In the afternoon workshop, the national teams talked about how the youth in each country felt about being European and the EU, they had to come up with a way of presentation to answer some questions, such as the following: Do majority of youth in your country feel European?, What do young people associate Europe mostly with?





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#### Europe in images

On Thursday morning, the day had started as usual, with some fun energizers. Then the facilitators introduced the group with a workshop: Europe in Images. The youth were divided into groups to take 3 photos of what European Union represents for them. Different perspectives were taken into account: solidarity, free of movement, community. The groups explained how the photos were related to the EU one by one.



#### Intercultural night 2

All of the countries have heard the perspectives of other countries to have more of a understanding on different nationalities. After this brilliant workshop, it was time for some fun. There was another project running in the venue and they also had a Intercultural night. Our group was invited to the night and we couldn't have missed such a fulfilling night.







#### **TOP NEWS OF THE DAY**



## >>> DEBATE GAME

EVERYONE COULD CHOOSE FROM 3 GROUPS: AGREE, DISAGREE, AND NEUTRAL FOR DIFFERENT QUESTIONS REGARDING EU. NO ONE WAS JUDGEMENTAL ON OTHERS' OPINIONS. THE MOST INTERESTING THING IS THAT THERE WERE QUESTIONS WE DIDN'T ALL AGREED ON.

#### WHO WANTS TO BE A MILLIONAIRE?

IN THIS TEAM GAME, EACH TEAM MUST HAVE AT Least one member from each country. They had to choose The correct variant or at least guess it. The questions Ranged from inauguration to food.







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**11TH JUNE 2023** 

#### **MY DREAM EUROPE**



#### **TOP NEWS OF THE DAY**



## >>> IN THIS WORKSHOP WE SHARED THE IDEAS WE HAD ABOUT OUR DREAM EUROPE

SOME PEOPLE HAVE A VERY SIMILAR VISION AND OPINION BUT OTHERS DON'T :)

### PROJECT OUTCOMES



EACH GROUP WAS ADVANCING IN THEIR PROJECT TO LATER PUT IT IN COMMON



#### **12TH JUNE 2023**

# **PROJECT OUTCOMES AND FINAL EVALUATION**

## >>> DISSEMINATION AND FOLLOW UP ACTIVITY

12th June was the last day of our Erasmus+ in Bansko, after a beatiful week spent togheter. We did some final activies to end this experience in the best way. Our leaders explained to us the importance of dissemination. We had to propose some ideas of the way in which to share and promote the project, to give to other young people informations about it.

We had also "activity of follow up" to estabilsh how each country will promote the Erasmus in a direct way, like organizing an event when we return to home.

#### **FINAL EVALUATION**

Personal and team evaluation, an important tool to improve ourselves and hoping to join another Erasmus+ in the future.

# >>> YOUTHPASS

At the end we had the youthpass cerimony, when we received the youthpass, the attestation of the participation in the project.

This is mostly a day to say goodbye to each other and reflect on how this experience has changed us, our mentality and the way we interact with people.



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