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Applicable to the Strand 2 – Measure 2.1 “Town-Twinning”

Participation: The project involved 278 citizens, notably 46 participants from the city of Bácsalmás (**Hungary**), 32 participants from the city of Bezdan (**Serbia**), 40 participants from the city of Bajmok (**Serbia**), 32 participants from the city of Bizovac (**Croatia**), 32 participants from the city of Borsec (**Romania**), 32 participants from the city of Backnang (**Germany**), 32 participants from the city of Gizalki (**Poland**), 32 participants from the city of Velky Meder (**Slovakia**).

Location/ Dates: The event took place in Bácsalmás (**Hungary**), from 02/08/2021 to 08/08/2021

Short description:

On the day of **02/08/2021** was dedicated to welcome the delegations of twinning towns by the mayor and the organizer team of Bácsalmás. After having taken accommodation, members of delegations were welcomed officially on a dinner by the mayor, who highlighted the importance of the town-twinning and the program of the coming days.

On the day of **03/08/2021** in the framework of a workshop, the participants listened to the presentation of the delegations of Bajmok and Bezdan on their good practices related to environmental protection, and then in the framework of the workshop the members of the delegation discussed it. During the day they got acquainted with the local historical values of Bácsalmás, visited the Bácsalmás Blue Painting Workshop and got acquainted with the blue painting profession, which is a UNESCO heritage. As part of a gala dinner, the twinning contracts were confirmed, highlighting the settlement of Bezdan, with which Bácsalmás has been a sister city for 55 years. The international artists' colony began its week-long work.

On the day of **04/08/2021** as part of a workshop, participants listened to a presentation by Bizovac and Backnang on sustainable development and developed common EU ideas. In the afternoon, they got acquainted with the activities of the regional landfill and recycling plant near Bácsalmás. The day ended with tree planting, dinner and a conversation evening.

On the day of **05/08/2021** in the framework of a workshop, the participants listened to the presentation of the delegations of Gizalki and Velky Meder and then discussed it. During the day, the twin high school teams on "Who knows more about the European Union?" They took part in a competition entitled. Afterwards, the primary school teams from the twin cities jointly created a picture called “Europe Kaleidoscope” from the works of the drawing competition “Together for the Green Future of Europe”. The day ended with dinner and a conversation evening.

On the day of **06/08/2021** in the framework of a workshop, the participants listened to the presentation of Borsec and Bácsalmás, and then discussed their opinions. During the day, the 10th “Peoples-Flavors Swirl” traditional days were opened with the joint singing of the European anthem. At the event, the guests could get acquainted with the traditional programs of the local and twin nationalities, take part in handicraft classes, try out folk games, and listen to high-quality cultural performances. At the information desk of the Europe Direct Bács-Kiskun County European Information Point, those interested were invited to provide advice and presentations on EU topics.

On the day of **07/08/2021** we started the day with the inauguration of the Backnang Memorial Well, where the head of the Backnang delegation and the mayor of Bácsalmás gave a solemn speech, then blessed by the local Reformed pastor, consecrated by the local pastor inscription. During the day, the program of the X. “Rotation of Peoples-Flavors” traditional days continued. At the information desk of the Europe Direct Bács-Kiskun County European Information Point, those interested were invited to provide advice and presentations on EU topics.

On the day of **08/08/2021** after discussing the remarks of the twinning meeting and drawing its conclusions, we solemnly opened the exhibition of works made at the artists' colony, and after lunch we said goodbye to the kind delegations.