

EVENT DESCRIPTION SHEET

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PROJECT	
Participant:	WARSAW, POLAND
PIC number:	947721720
Project name and acronym:	FUTUREU: Conference on the Future of Europe to increase EU citizens participation

EVENT DESCRIPTION	
Event number:	4
Event name:	Work Package 3: European Citizens' Initiatives as a tool
Type:	Lecture, thematic activity of working groups, debate, discussion, guided tour
In situ/online:	<i>in-situ</i>
Location:	Warsaw, Poland
Date(s):	30th November - 1 December 2022
Website(s) (if any):	https://autokreacja.org/futureu/
Participants	
Female:	32
Male:	20
Non-binary:	N/A
From country 1 [Romania]:	1 female, 1 male
From country 2 [Spain]:	3 male, 2 female
From country 3 [Hungary]:	3 male
From country 4 [Malta]:	1 female, 1 male
From country 5 [Poland]:	27 female, 9 male
From country 6 [Netherlands]:	1 female, 1 male
From country 7 (Greece)	2 male
Total number of participants:	52
From total number of countries:	7

Description

Provide a short description of the event and its activities.

FUTUREU - WARSAW MEETING

Work Package 3: European Citizens' Initiatives as a tool

And another FuturEU project meeting is behind us.

This is the third time we have had the opportunity to share time, experiences and exchange good energy. Of course, also to advance the work of the project on the participation of young people in Europe, within the framework of civic and cultural life.

During the meeting in Warsaw we had a chance to experience together some workshops. On Wednesday we met in Radość - one of WCK (Wawer Cultural Center) branches. To get know each other better we started with presentations and improv exercises which are the best way for ice breaking and at the same time wonderful introduction to improv world. We could watch young improvising actors on the scene. It was the group from WCK. After that we had workshops in terms of trying to understand the generation boundaries and to find some ideas to cross them. Our main goal is to more understand youths and their situation.

The workshops „Do you remember? - youngsters - this is us” were supposed to be a way to find what we have in common, all the generations - we were divided on four groups and were supposed to work on four different projects each:

- A) THE CITY HALL OF YOUR DREAMS
- B) THE SCHOOL OF YOUR DREAMS
- C) THE CULTURAL CENTER OF YOUR DREAMS
- D) THE PARK OF YOUR DREAMS

Every group basis was the imaginary conditions that we live in a city named FUTUREU which is:

- IN EUROPE
- HAS 3000 OF CITIZENS
- IS A PART OF A WEALTHY COUNTRY - WITH UNLIMITED BUDGET

The goal of the workshop was to find the values, find the needs, the ideal form and the way to present the project.

Presenting groups were very engaged and shared many interesting ideas, thoughts and

- we need to find a way to cooperate with other generations and make the social life open for any group
- we need to find activities which attract many people in different age
- we need to have open space in public places
- we need to feel safe and protected
- we need to feel listen to
- we need simplicity and clarity
- we need to be able to choose
- we need to live our life right now
- we need to be seen
- we need to be close to nature

During the meeting we handed our „laundry thoughts” written on a sheets of paper about:

THE MOST SURPRISING THING FOR ME DISCOVERED DURING GROWING UP WAS:

THE ANSWERS:

„How much the people change“
„The art is a way of life“
„How much money we need for living“
„That by time I have to be independent“
„It's a trap, dont grow up“
„You forget to live in the present“
„How people think“
„Kids Illusion/Dreams disappear“
„Having to stick to rules“
„Responsibilities“
„I never liked noodles, sphaggetti or macaroni“
„How easily you can make friends by plying basketball or doing sport“
[...]that every dasy on my birthday my friends are fewer...!“

THE ANSWERS:

„Make your dreams to be fulfilled“
„Having new experiences every single day“
„Enjoing my kids and grandchildren“
„To be able to have your own thoughts“
„Independace“
„Freedom“
„Best thing -knowlege, I guess“
„Being wiser“
„Reusources“
„You can live your own life“

In the evening we had a dinner in social enterprise DIFFERENT. It is a restaurant in the total dark, the only one in Poland served by blind waiters. The restaurant in the dark introduces its guests to the world of the blind, where the visual barrier is not an obstacle, but a stimulus for the development of the other senses.

The next day we met in other branch of WCK to see some more good practices and have an Oxford style debate in the company of young Polish students. We took some participants from our group and moved them with student to discuss.

We had 4 groups - proposition, opposition and judges. And of course the audience. The Moderator was the guardian of order and was leading the hole process of debate.

The debate was very interesting and it wasn't easy to decide about the winning team. The judges decided that proposition team was more convincing, What is surprising most of the young people were against our resolution. But the way they were arguing and revealing their thoughts showed that young people can be really mature and engaged in social issues.

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HISTORY OF CHANGES		
VERSION	PUBLICATION DATE	CHANGE
1.0	01.04.2022	Initial version (new MFF).