

The project « The future of Europe - Hearings from Youth » was funded with the support of the European Union under the Programme "Europe for Citizens"

Applicable to the Strand 2 – Measure 2.1 "Town-Twinning"

Participation: The project involved 560 citizens, notably 250 participants from the city of Suseni (RO), 50 participants from the city of Mad (SK), 60 participants from the city of Opatow (PL), 50 participants from the city of Dobrovnik (SL), 50 participants from the city of Kispiac (SR), 50 participants from the city of Pustimer (CZ) and 50 participants from the city of Ikreny (HU)

Location/ Dates: The event took place in **Suseni - Romania** from 02/07.2021 to 04.07.2021

Short description:

Youth activities under the event undertook activities grouped around three areas of action:

02.07.2021

1. ENGAGE: Fostering youth participation in democratic life.

This area of action focused on:

- Methods for launching a new EU Youth Dialogue for diverse youth voices to contribute to EU policy decisions;
- Methods for consolidating the European Youth Portal as a digital single entry point for young people to engage with the EU;
- Methods for stepping up youth participation in democratic life including access to quality information validated by trusted sources, and promoting participation in European and other elections;
- Supporting 'learning to participate' and raising interest in participatory actions across Europe and beyond through Erasmus+.

03.07.2021

2. CONNECT: Bringing young people together across the EU and beyond to foster voluntary engagement, learning mobility, solidarity and intercultural understanding

This area of action focused on:

- Methods to connect young people across Europe and beyond, taking into account the experience from 'European Youth Together', building networks of young people from different parts of Europe, the Erasmus+ Virtual Exchanges and other actions under Erasmus+ Youth;
- Methods for supporting the implementation of the European Solidarity Corps through policy cooperation and community-building, and further strengthening the potential of the European Solidarity Corps Portal in reaching out to youth and helping build a community;
- Methods for increase participation in cross-border learning mobility and solidarity under Erasmus+ and the European Solidarity Corps with an emphasis on those with fewer opportunities.

04.07.2021

3. EMPOWER: Supporting youth empowerment through quality, innovation and recognition of youth work

This area of action focused on:

- Methods on how to develop and disseminate practical toolkits for quality youth work;
- Methods for supporting grassroots activities addressing recognition, innovation and capacity-building of youth work under Erasmus+;
- Methods on how to support mutual learning and evidence building on digital youth work, youth worker skills and financing of youth work.