

EVENT DESCRIPTION SHEET

PROJECT	
Participant:	2 – Stadt Hennigsdorf (Hennigsdorf)
PIC number:	880573373
Project name and acronym:	Momentum – Festival of nations - Momentum

EVENT DESCRIPTION			
Event number:	2		
Event name:	Volunteering without borders		
Type:	Public event		
In situ/online:	in-situ		
Location:	Kralupy nad Vltavou		
Date(s):	14-06/05/2026		
Website(s) (if any):	https://www.mestokralupy.cz/mesto/rozvoj-mesta/evropska-spoluprace/european-education-and-culture-executive-agency-eacea-2025-2026/		
Participants			
Female:	228		
Male:	244		
Non-binary:	0		
From country 1 [Czechia]:	400		
From country 2 [Slovakia]:	22		
From country 3 [Germany]:	22		
From country 4 [Serbia]:	16		
From country 5 [Poland]:	12		
Total number of participants:	472	From total number of countries:	5
Description			
<i>Provide a short description of the event and its activities.</i>			
The project "Momentum" was implemented through 2 separate events. Both were held in the city of Kralupy nad Vltavou. The first event had the main theme: Partnership and Culture Without Borders. The second event had the main theme: Volunteering Without Borders.			

Basic information about event 2:

Title of the event 2: Volunteering without borders

Type of events (in situ): public event

Venue: Kralupy nad Vltavou (Czechia)

Dates of the events: 14-16/05/2023 (3 days)

Number of present countries: 5 (Czechia, Slovakia, Germany, Serbia, Poland)

Number of individual direct participants: 400

Number of present foreign participants: 72

Participating partners:

Město Kralupy nad Vltavou (CZ)

Mesto Komárno (SK)

Stadt Hennigsdorf (GER)

Gmina Środa Wielkopolska (PL)

Grad Šabac (RS)

Agenda/brief description of the event 2:

The event was aimed at getting acquainted with the topic of volunteering, which is represented by non-profit organizations, as well as members of the security and rescue services. The main objective of the event was to present volunteering as an element of active European citizenship. The course of the event was as follows:

The first day, 14/05/2026, was dedicated to the exchange of experiences and opinions on various topics. The first to come together were schoolchildren from partner municipalities. Together, they addressed the EU, but also topics related to climate change. They created new relationships and bonds with each other. The activity also brought incentives for young people to be more interested in the environment. Guests from partner cities prepared tastings of typical simple sweet and savory dishes. In this way, they brought their country closer to others. It was an element of connecting people from different corners of Europe. Representatives of partner cities discussed security in European countries, also in light of the problems of recent years. The discussion brought interest in greater cooperation between local security institutions in exchanging experiences. The partners also discussed the needs of seniors, what conditions they create for an active life. The exchange of experiences brought new ideas and interest in greater cooperation in this area.

The second day, 15/05/2026, was dedicated to gender equality and the functioning of local governments. The day began with unconventional and entertaining competitions. These served to strengthen mutual relations between the 5 nations. Movement games were also prepared for senior participants. At the same time, we discussed local charity programs connecting seniors and families at risk. In this way, we involved seniors in the event and showed them that they are still useful to society. The issue of employment of women and men in the administration is an example of gender inequality. Through discussion and looking for solutions, we contributed to the development of gender equality. Citizens also learned how twin cities function. Many citizens did not know what services the local government provides them. The local government showed how it works and how its organizations providing services to the city's citizens function. The exchange of information in this area will enrich the partnership. Volunteering was also presented as an important element of the functioning of cities. Culturally focused activities were intended to bring together participants from 5 nations. They also brought together art schools for a joint concert.

The third day, 16/05/2026, was again dedicated to the presentation of volunteering. Volunteer firefighters from partner cities exchanged experiences with work in the field of helping others and also competed with each other. This created bonds between volunteer firefighters. Guests got to know local monuments and events. Thanks to this, they became more familiar with local identity. Intergenerational connections in the field of culture supported one of the main ideas of the project - to connect people of different nationalities and ages.

The event program was implemented as: workshops, trainings, discussions, presentations, awareness-raising activities, exchange and dissemination of best practices, communication activities.

Achievements:

- Involving youth in solving the problems of the present and future of Europe
- Supporting volunteer associations and associations from partner municipalities and presenting their activities
- Connecting citizens of 5 countries through sports and entertainment activities
- Supporting gender equality in the functioning of city institutions
- Active involvement of seniors in the program and using their life experiences
- Supporting charity and highlighting its role in local government
- Joint programs supporting intercultural dialogue

Information on the main topics of the event:

Volunteering

Volunteering was presented in several forms. First, as the activities of several non-profit organizations operating in the social field, and secondly, as the activities of volunteer firefighters. We discussed volunteering, we got to know volunteering. With these steps, we provided citizens of 5 countries with incentives for active citizenship.

Promoting gender equality

The issue of gender equality played an important role in creating the event's program. A joint discussion on work in administrative positions from the perspective of the representation of men and women in general and in management positions in particular brought attention to the issue of gender of representation. By discussing the causes and work-life balance together, we created a space for improvement. The aim was to provide stimuli for discussion so that the issue of inequality could be addressed.

The importance of seniors for society

Seniors and their needs were the subject of several discussions and demonstrations of activities. The aim was to draw attention to this group of the population of the partner cities. We presented programs that actively involve seniors in charitable activities and active living. At the same time, we connected seniors from different countries and enabled them to build new relationships together.

Links to published information about the project (project partners' websites):

<https://www.mestokralupy.cz/mesto/rozvoj-mesta/evropska-spoluprace/european-education-and-culture-executive-agency-eacea-2025-2026/>

<https://sabac.rs/projekti-i-programi/momentum-projekat/>

<https://komarno.sk/transparentne-mesto-2/projekty/>

<https://www.hennigsdorf.de/Stadtleben/Die-Stadt/Partnerst%C3%A4dte/>

https://www.sroda.wlkp.pl/asp/pl_start.asp?typ=14&menu=1583&strona=1&sub=1272