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**Applicable to the Strand 2 – Measure 2.2 "*Networks of Towns*"**

**Measure 2.3 "*Civil Society Projects*"**

**Strand 1 – "*European Rememberance*"**

## 6 events have been carried out within this project:

### Event 1

**Participation:** The event involved 55 citizens, including 5 participants from the city of Novo mesto (**Slovenia**), 2 participants from the city of Herceg Novi (**Montenegro**), including 4 participants from the city of Langenhagen and Buhl (**Germany**), including 2 participants from the city of Torun (**Poland**), including 2 participants from the city of Vilafranca del Penedes (**Spain**), including 2 participants from the city of Trnava (**Slovakia**), including 2 participants from the city of Bihać (**Bosnia and Herzegovina**), including 35 participants from the city of Vicenza (**Italy**).

**Location / Dates:** The event took place in Vicenza, Italy from 21.11.2018 to 23.11.2018.

**Short description:** The aim of the event was to introduce the team and present the project background. We presented the base elements for the project for a successful implementation. We explored the city center of Vicenza and its surroundings, of important and numerous examples of architectural designs. Two parallel guided tours to discover Vicenza's cultural heritage took place: one addressed to adults and one addressed to children. The second one was organized in order to stress the importance of educate younger generations on local cultural heritage and to share with partners the methodology applied to do so.

### Event 2

The event involved 103 citizens, including 6 participants from the city of Novo mesto (**Slovenia**), 77 participants from the city of Herceg Novi (**Montenegro**), including 4 participants from the city of Langenhagen and Buhl (**Germany**), including 3 participants from the city of Torun (**Poland**), including 2 participants from the city of Vilafranca del Penedes (**Spain**), including 4 participants from the city of Trnava (**Slovakia**), including 3 participants from the city of Bihać (**Bosnia and Herzegovina**), including 3 participants from the city of Vicenza (**Italy**).

**Location / Dates:** The event took place in Herceg Novi, Montenegro, from 11.04.2019 to 13.4.2019.

**Short description:** International conference "Strategic Tourism Development Based on the Valorization of Cultural Heritage" gathered in Herceg Novi participants from Slovenia, Croatia, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Poland, Spain, Slovakia, Germany and Montenegro, as well as representatives of the European Association for Local Democracy (ALDA). The conference was dedicated to present examples of good practice of valuing cultural heritage in European cities and the role of cultural heritage in sustainable development.

### Event 3

The event involved 103 citizens, 72 participants from the city of Novo mesto (**Slovenia**), 3 participants from the city of Herceg Novi (**Montenegro**), including 6 participants from the city of Langenhagen and Buhl (**Germany**), including 4 participants from the city of Torun (**Poland**), including 5 participants from the city of Vilafranca del Penedes (**Spain**), including 5 participants from the city of Trnava (**Slovakia**), including 4 participants from the city of Bihać (**Bosnia and Herzegovina**), including 4 participants from the city of Vicenza (**Italy**).

**Location / Dates:** The event took place in Novo mesto, Slovenia, from 28.6.2019 to 30.6.2019.

**Short description:** The aim of the event was the celebration of situla – the 4th festival of Iron age living and cookery. Interesting programme had a market – display of ancient crafts and products, food court with the touch of iron age culinary and beverages, trialability, shooting with a crossbow, stage performance with music and dancing.

### Event 4

The event involved 76 citizens, including 8 participants from the city of Novo mesto (**Slovenia**), 3 participants from the city of Herceg Novi (**Montenegro**), including 6 participants from the city of Langenhagen and Buhl (**Germany**), including 2 participants from the city of Torun (**Poland**), including 5 participants from the city of Vilafranca del Penedes (**Spain**), including 51 participants from the city of Trnava (**Slovakia**), including 1 participants from the city of Vicenza (**Italy**).

**Location / Dates:** The event took place in Trnava, Slovakia, from 6.9.2019 to 8.9.2019

**Short description:** The aim of the event was exploring cultural heritage of Trnava region and the best experiences of their cultural tourism products. Valuable experiences and best practices were heard from experts from the Trnava region. We visited Traditional Trnava Market – it means returning to the medieval local markets, with folk crafts demonstrations (the work of the talented hands of blacksmiths, carving, or medovníkárov) and the traditional local cuisine specialties.

## **Event 5**

The event involved 76 citizens, including 6 participants from the city of Novo mesto (**Slovenia**), 2 participants from the city of Herceg Novi (**Montenegro**), including 4 participants from the city of Langenhagen and Buhl (**Germany**), including 3 participants from the city of Torun (**Poland**), including 55 participants from the city of Vilafranca del Penedes (**Spain**), including 1 participants from the city of Bihać (**Bosnia and Herzegovina**), 5 participants from the city of Vicenza (**Italy**).

**Location / Dates:** The event took place in Vilafranca del Penedes del Penedes, Spain, from 31.10.2019 to 2.11.2019

**Short description:** We had a meeting debate where we were presented with the Vilafranca tourism destination, areas of work and we discussed the methods for creating cultural knowledge, enhancing culture in society and enhancing the weight of culture in promoting quality cultural tourism. We also had the opportunity to learn about the culture of "castellers" through a wide range of activities related to their world. They showed us how they promote and develop leadership and team building with their social, educational and sporting values.

## **Event 6**

The event was divided in two parts. The first meeting was streamed via zoom and it involved 11 participants, including 3 participants from Novo mesto (**Slovenia**), including 3 participants from the city of Langenhagen and Buhl (**Germany**), including 1 participant from the city of Torun (**Poland**), including 1 participant from the city of Vilafranca del Penedes (**Spain**), including 1 participant from the city of Bihać (**Bosnia and Herzegovina**), 1 participant from the city of Vicenza (**Italy**), 1 participant from the city of Trnava (**Slovakia**) and the second event live in Bihać that involved 53 citizens, including 13 participants from the city of Novo mesto (**Slovenia**), 3 participants from the city of Herceg Novi (**Montenegro**), including 36 participants from the city of Bihać (**Bosnia and Herzegovina**).

**Location / Dates:** The event took place via zoom on 13.4.2021 and in Bihać, Bosnia and Herzegovina, from 2.7.2021 to 4.7.2021.

**Short description:** The final conference contributed to the involvement of citizens and awareness of cultural heritage in several European partner cities through education and lifelong learning and it took place in Bihać. The event has officially concluded our joint project, but the established connections between partners will live on and create common stories backed with richness of natural and cultural heritage.