

EVENT DESCRIPTION SHEET

PROJECT	
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EVENT DESCRIPTION	
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Event name:	Europe celebration event in Slovakia
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Participants	
Female:	115
Male:	52
Non-binary:	4
From country 1 [Slovakia]:	142
From country 2 [Czech Republic]:	1
From country 3 [Croatia]:	1
From country 4 [Salvador]:	1
From country 5 [Gambia]:	1
From country 6 [Hungary]:	1
From country 7 [Italy]:	3
From country 8 [Kazakhstan]:	1
From country 9 [Madagascar]:	1

From country 10[Poland]:	1		
From country 11[Russia]:	6		
From country 12 [Spain]:	1		
From country 13 [Trinidad and Tobago]:	1		
From country 14 [Great Britain]:	1		
From country 15 [Ukraine]:	5		
From country 16 [USA]:	2		
From country 17 [Uzbekistan]	2		
Total number of participants:	171, with 150 of them from EU countries and 21 from non-EU countries	From total number of countries:	17, i.e., 7 EU countries and 10 non-EU countries

Description

Provide a short description of the event and its activities.

The Europe Day celebration at Comenius University's Faculty of Arts on May 9, 2024, offered a day filled with cultural immersion and entertainment. Held at Moyzes Hall, the event spanned from 10:00 to 20:00, featuring a diverse array of activities throughout the day. Overall, more than 150 students and members of public of 15 different nationalities attended the event.

The festivities commenced with the opening ceremony and a photo exhibition of the *Inspired by Europe* competition in the Atrium (piazza-like place at the university), showcasing the remarkable student creativity inspired by European culture. Registration, both in-person and for the raffle, was available from 10:00 until 11:30.

The celebration was opened by professor Vladimír Šucha, the Chief of European Commission Representatives in Slovakia. Professor Šucha recalled his own experience living in pre-EU Slovakia and reflected on the rewarding and enriching journey Slovakia as a country has been through since our joining of EU in 2004. Next, the vice-dean of Comenius University, Dr Jozef Tancer gave a speech expressing gratitude for Slovakia's position in the EU and encouraged the audience to continue to foster democratic and pro-European dialogue in the tense political landscape of today's Slovakia. The solemn atmosphere was lightened by the projection of the flashmob, which underscored the idea of the collective European identity and its celebration that we share with your European partners.

Following the ceremony, guests enjoyed a delightful hot buffet lunch from 12:30 to 13:30. This provided an excellent opportunity for networking and socializing, setting a vibrant atmosphere for the cultural program.

The cultural program, which began at 13:40, featured an engaging lineup of presentations, lectures, workshops, and performances. Attendees were enthralled by presentations from American poets Sally Anderson Boström and Peter Burzynski, a lecture by Barbora Tricoire, the Slovak GR representative for translation of the European Commission, and a dynamic workshop on cultural heritage and subversivism of rap music and graffiti art in Slovakia by Miro Gajdoš a Martin Mistrík from the Nova Cvernovka artistic collective. Additionally, the stand-up comedy by the well-known Joe Trendy and the theatrical performance by student theatre group Actofkaa received positive acclaim from the audience, demonstrating a diverse range of artistic expressions.

As the day progressed, the entertainment program took the central stage, starting with the announcement of raffle winners at 17:30. The first prize was a flight ticket voucher to underscore the

freedom of travel given to us as European citizens. This was followed by an electrifying dance number by Newschool dance troupe, a lively concert by Pablo & Bango, and a captivating performance by politically aware rap band Modré Hory from 19:00 to 20:00.

In retrospect, the Europe Day celebration at Comenius University was a day of cultural exchange, artistic expression, and jubilant entertainment, bringing people together in celebration of the rich tapestry of European heritage and diversity.

Altogether 171 people from 17 countries (7 EU and 10 non-EU countries) participated in the celebration, thus the two core criteria for this WP – the total number of participants and the number of countries - were fully met.

Sample event photos are available here:

<https://universities4culture.eu/projects/documents/deliverables/wp10-europe-celebration-event-in-slovakia/>

HISTORY OF CHANGES

VERSION	PUBLICATION DATE	CHANGE
1.0	25.06.2024	Initial version (new MFF).