

EVENT DESCRIPTION SHEET

PROJECT	
Participant:	10114382 – LATVIJAS UNIVERSITATE (LU)
PIC number:	99987183
Project name and acronym:	CAMINO

EVENT DESCRIPTION	
Event number:	WP4 - Student Photo exhibition opening in Brussels (EP)
Event name:	Student Photo exhibition opening in Brussels (EP)
Type:	Student photo exhibition opening
In situ/online:	In situ
Location:	European Parliament, Brussels, Belgium
Date(s):	15 April 2024
Website(s) (if any):	https://universities4culture.eu/en/projects/documents/eds/
Participants	
Female:	37
Male:	18
Non-binary:	0
From country 1 Latvia:	18
From country 2 Poland:	4
From country 3 Lithuania:	5
From country 4 Slovakia :	6
From country 5: Hungary:	7
From country 6: Czech Republic:	3
From country 7: Estonia:	6
From country 8: Slovenia	1
From country 9: Belgium:	4
From country 10: Italy	1

Total number of participants:	55 from European Union countries	From total number of countries:	10 European Union countries
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Description

Provide a short description of the event and its activities.

The objective of WP4 was to organize an opening of the student photo exhibition in the European Parliament in Brussels in order to attract a wide range of stakeholders, including Members of the European Parliament (MEPs), policymakers, EU officials, diplomats, and representatives from various organizations. Displaying the exhibition in EP provided an opportunity to reach a diverse and influential audience, demonstrating the impact of the 2004 EU enlargement as a significant turning point in recent EU history. The exhibition-opening event served as a platform to raise public awareness and promote dialogue on the significance of EU integration for fostering peace, stability, and economic growth, promotion of democratic values, human rights, a sense of shared European identity and unity among European nations.

To achieve this objective, the CAMINO project partners organised a photo exhibition in the European Parliament premises in Brussels, Belgium, featuring the 11 winning photos of the international online student photo competition “Inspired by Europe” which was organised from 11 to 20 March 2024. In line with the CAMINO project concept, students from 10 European countries that joined the European Union in 2004 and Ukrainian students residing in European Union countries participated in the competition.

The student photo exhibition opening in Brussels was organised by the University of Latvia and took place on 15 April 2024. The programme of the event featured speeches by Ms Dace Melbārde, Latvian Member of Parliament and exhibition hostess, and the project management and creative team, as well as the students’ stories underlying their artworks and a musical and dance performance organised by the University of Latvia. The event brought together 55 participants from 10 European Union countries – the students whose artworks were exhibited in the European Parliament, Members of European Parliament and representatives of other European institutions, artists, members of the international photo competition Jury, representatives of the partnering universities etc. Thus, the two core criteria – the number of participants and the number of countries represented - were fully met for this work package. The event photos are available here: <https://universities4culture.eu/events/gallery/opening-of-the-international-student-photo-exhibition-inspired-by-europe-in-brussels-1504/>

The exhibition was on display in the premises of the European Parliament from 15 April till 19 April 2024, giving the MEPs, staff members and visitors of European Parliament a great opportunity to see common European values through eyes of young people from 10 European Union countries that joined the EU in 2004. The photo exhibition will travel to the project partner countries and its opening will be one of the highlights of the European Day celebration in each of the countries organised by the partnering universities. Furthermore, the project partners have already received inquiries from other institutions and organisations regarding possibilities to display the exhibition also on other occasions. The partners are open to such initiatives and co-operation as it will support raising of public awareness and promote dissemination of common European values by outreaching to broader audiences.

Samples of the photo exhibition information campaign are available here: <https://universities4culture.eu/projects/documents/deliverables/wp4-student-photo-exhibition-opening-in-brussels-ep/>

Please see CAMINO project social media accounts for more information:

<https://www.facebook.com/profile.php?id=61557032939638>

Camino Instagram: https://www.instagram.com/camino_project/

Camino Youtube: <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCxx0Eu3OYym3HO-KGOeH77w>

HISTORY OF CHANGES

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