

EVENT DESCRIPTION SHEET

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PROJECT	
Project name and acronym:	"GREENUP: European youth reflecting about the green future of Europe" -- GREENUP
Participant:	NYUGAT-PANNON TERULET-ES GAZDASAGFEJLESZTESI SZOLGALTATO KOZHASZNU NONPROFIT KORLATOLT FELELOSSEGU TARSASAG (Westpannon),
PIC number:	950220440

EVENT DESCRIPTION	
Event number:	5
Event name:	NGOs, VOLUNTEERING AND ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION
Type:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Conference: Members from different NGOs will introduce their work, purpose and will show the environmental problems that affect their communities. - Role game: Role on different decisions as an NGO member in their cities. - Volunteering activities: Putting into practice all the knowledge acquired. They themselves will see the effects of pollution on different sectors in their local communities.
In situ/online:	<i>In situ - online</i>
Location:	Halászi, Hungary
Date(s):	4/09/2023 - 7/09/2023
Website(s) (if any):	https://www.facebook.com/GreenupEurope
Participants	
Female:	25
Male:	30

Non-binary:	0		
From country 1 [Panevėžys, Lithuania]:	3		
From country 2 [Malta]:	3		
From country 3 [Sofia, Bulgaria]:	3		
From country 4: [Messina, Italy]	3		
From country 5: [Novo Mesto, Slovenia]	3		
From country 6: [Tibi, Spain]	4		
From country 7: [Szombathely, Hungary]	4 + 32		
Total number of participants:	55	From total number of countries:	7
Description			
<i>Provide a short description of the event and its activities.</i>			

Day 1 – 04/09/2023

The first day was dedicated to the arrival of the delegations, followed by a joint welcome dinner.

Day 2 – 05/09/2023

Participants gathered at the conference room of the UGO Estate – Babos Major, where the event kicked-off with welcome speeches by Tamás MAJTHÉNYI, Mayor of Halászi & Tibor POLGÁR, Director for Strategy at West Pannon Regional and Economic Development Ltd., who both emphasized importance of the role of volunteering and youth involvement in environmental protection, as well as presented how the European Union supports green transition through the Green Deal.

Dr. Péter PETŐ, President of the Szigetköz Nature Park Association then presented the region and the activities of the organisation, highlighting those related to youth empowerment, such as the self-sustaining model garden in Kimle and the active family days.

The next presenter was Réka MÉSZELY, President of the PÉLDA Association for the Children of Szigetköz, a charity-based voluntary organization, who introduced the activities of the organization, including initiatives such as “Adopt a Child’s Christmas Dream!”, “Donate a bike”, as well as presented how they support sick children in the region, how they strengthen corporate-social responsibility and foster environmental protection & education, how they take part in the national litter-picking initiative.

The third and last presenter was Mr. Zoltán FÜZFÁ, President of the Trout Circle Waldorf Nature Conservation and Outdoor Association, who based his presentation on the “three pillars of sustainable life on Earth”:

1. If we treat nature responsibly!
2. Only environmentally conscious people can do this! THEREFORE:
3. We must get to know, love and protect our environment, NATURE!

In the light of this, participants explored their activities involving young people.

After the lunch break, participants could experience first-hand what they saw in the last presentation by visiting the Dunasziget Ecopark established by Trout Circle Waldorf Nature Conservation and Outdoor Association. They also had the opportunity to take a look at the new visitor centre under construction, and its planned exhibition materials.

At the end of the day, the participants returned to Halászi by boat on the Moson-Danube, observing the natural landscapes and wildlife of the Szigetköz region.

Day 3 – 06/09/2023

The third day was all about the youth, with Mr. Gál Körmendy encouraging local students to think together about the current state of their local community and environment, and how they could make it even better.

Participants were put in groups and then had to think together about:

1. What do they have in their communities?
2. What do they want?
3. What can they do themselves to make it happen?

The results then was presented directly to the Mayor, who promised, that their ideas would be taken into account in the development of the settlement.

After that, children and also partners were invited to a joint litter-picking to clean up the banks of the Moson-Danube, as one of the strongest solutions to raise awareness on the effects of pollution on a local level.

As a special request, one of the participants, a Green Activist (Bees and Youth engagement) had the opportunity to visit a local beekeeper to share their experiences and challenges related to climate change.

At the end of the event, the participants enjoyed a meal together to discover the culinary values of the region.

Day 4 – 07/09/2023

The last day was dedicated to the participants' journey home.

HISTORY OF CHANGES		
VERSION	PUBLICATION DATE	CHANGE
1.0	01.04.2022	Initial version (new MFF).