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**Applicable to the Strand 2 – Measure 2.1 "Town-Twinning"**

**Participation:** The project involved 129 citizens, notably 8 participants from the city of Weida (Germany), 15 participants from the city of Maków Podhalański (Poland), 16 participants from the city of Arcuş (Romania), 21 participants from the city of Valea Crişului (Romania), 22 participants from the city of Novi Bečej (Serbia), 16 participants from the city of Blatná na Ostrove (Slovakia), 31 participants from the city of Mezőtúr (Hungary).

**Location/ Dates:** The event took place in **Mezőtúr (Hungary)**, from 18/08/2017 to 21/08/2017.

**Short description:**

The day of 18/08/2017 was dedicated to making new acquaintances and reviving old ones. The opening ceremony, at which the Mayor welcomed the guests, created a delightful opportunity for the participants to start preparing for working together.

The day of 19/08/2017 was dedicated to the "The Boundaries of Boundarylessness – Workshop on Euroscepticism and the Future of the European Union for Children". The students, who were divided into teams by settlements, were happy to choose a rapporteur from among themselves who presented a pre-composed essay detailing their views on euroscepticism and their ideas about the future of the EU. We all considered this topic very important, so we were delighted to have the opportunity to start a dialogue about it and to consider different opinions. After listening to everyone, we successfully encouraged the participants to further discuss the topic pro and con between themselves.

After that the participants volunteered to help out with the abandoned dogs at the local animal shelter. The participants were happy to groom, feed and play with the puppies, and enjoyed the company of each other.

Then, dressed in the colors of the EU flag, we made a living chain on the main square of our city, presenting the community and the unity of the European Union. In the evening, in the port of the Hortobágy-Berettyó, a lampion that symbolized the close-knit bond of twinning was put on the water. At the same time, each of the twin towns released LED balloons decorated with the town's coat of arms into the night sky, carrying their wishes for the future of the Union.

The day 20/08/2017 was dedicated to trying the typical team games of the twin towns: we tried football, basketball and tug of war at the Sport Center of the Municipal Education Center. We spent the whole morning there, since the participants enjoyed that program so much.

Euro Puzzle - the assembling of the jigsaw map of the European Union was our next activity - the map of the EU was turned into a ceramic jigsaw puzzle for the participants to assemble. It was a pleasure to put together the "great whole", which symbolized that we together create and form the Union, in this case literally.

The day 21/08/2017 was dedicated to saying farewell to new and old friends, all of whom expressed their hopes for meeting again in the near future, as they had the opportunity to participate in meaningful and constructive conversations on EU membership and citizenship and take part in exciting activities which were organized and implemented with the support of the European Union.