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Project

"Europe-Week for Youth (E.W.Y. 2015)"

EUROPE FOR CITIZENS 2014-2020

Strand 2 - Democratic engagement and civic participation 2.1. Town Twinning

E.W.Y. 2015 - Twinning Week

At Trivero and mountain area of Biella (Italy)

7th -8th -9th -10th -11th -12th October, 2015

Brief presentation

EWY 2015 project is promoted by Trivero Municipality – Italy (Applicant) together the municipalities of Soprana, Mosso, Valle Mosso, Pray and Coggiola (Co-organizers), Italian villages strictly connected both for local activities and for geographical nearness (seated in Biella area and in the same Comunità Montana Val Sessera e Valle di Mosso). The 6 Italian villages have created a long lasting friendly cooperation network with the Communities of Jelgava and Dobele (LV), Erdut (HR), Wachock (PL) and Deta (RO).

The chosen issue for EWY 2015 project is **to foster European citizenship and to improve conditions for civic and democratic participation at Union level** with best practices exchanges and shared strategic policy making about it.

The project has the objective to bring Europe closer to its citizens and to raise citizens' awareness of the results achieved through European policies and to encourage democratic and civic participation of citizens at Union level, by developing citizens' understanding of the Union policy making-process and promoting opportunities for societal and intercultural engagement and volunteering at Union level. The aim is the promotion of European citizenship and democracy, comprising the development of understanding of the EU, its values and what it brings to citizens daily lives.

PROGRAM

1st Day – 7th October, 2015

H 17.00: Giletti Theatre (at Ponzone-Trivero) - WELCOME CERIMONY

Welcome speeches by Italian Mayors.

Presentation of foreign Delegates (speeches) and guests.

Presentation of the program of the Twinning Week + brief presentation of Biella mountains.

-Issue of the welcome Meeting: *Encourage democratic and civic participation of citizens at Union level.*Presentation of works (papers, songs, videos, pictures, leaflets) about *Europe* and *Democratic and Civic*Participation prepared by Partners and young people from all Countries.

2nd Day - 8th October, 2015

Europe and its territory: the mountains.

H 9:00: meeting at Coggiola.

Mountain excursion (trip by foot) for all delegates, till Frazione Piane of Coggiola.

H 14.30/15.00: return to Pray.

Visit to Fabbrica della Ruota (Wheel Factory) at Pray.

Focus about EU territorial policies for mountain areas. Presentations by Italian younger and foreign delegates.

H 21.00: at SALONE POLIVALENTE in Pray:

Intercultural Evening: presentation by Latvian Delegations: food, music, dances, photos for Italian citizens

and foreign guests (free access to all)

3rd Day - 9th October, 2015

EWY 2015 LABORATORY (dedicated to youngsters, pupils and schools)

H 9:00: meeting at Mosso.

Meeting at the Istituto Tecnico Bona at the presence of local High Schools' pupils + youngsters of Host Delegations about the **debate for the future of Europe and future of EU young people (free speeches).**

I° part of afternoon: at Trivero: Laboratory about **PEACE and CITIZENSHIP** (free speeches or presentations of videos, clips, photos,..best cases).

II° part of afternoon: visit to "Casa Zegna" at Trivero and Oasi Zegna.

H 21:00: at Valle Mosso (Falcero):

Intercultural Evening – Presentation by Polish and Croatian and Romanian Delegations: food, music, dances, photos for Italian citizens and foreign guests (free access to all)

4th Day - 10th October, 2015

EWY 2015: Europe, well-being and sport for all.

H 9:00: meeting at Soprana, at "Le Rive Rosse" area - **mountain excursion** (trip by foot or by bicycles) for all delegates, till "Frazione Cimamonti".

H14:00: transfer to Eco-Museum "Ex Mulino Susta" (mill).

Afternoon: Laboratory using flour at the Mill (with children of local Scuola Primaria Gianni Rodari).

5th Day - Sunday - 11th October, 2015

H 9:30: meeting at Valle Mosso (in Frazione Croce Mosso).

Participation to Cheese Game Tasting typical dishes and food.

Afternoon: local visit.

H 19:00: transfer to Palazzetto dello Sport/Sport building at Trivero H 21.00: at Giletti Theatre – Trivero/Ponzone: OFFICIAL CEREMONY

OFFICIAL SIGNING OF THE TWINNING OATH OF BROTHERHOOD.

Speeches by Mayors of all organisations. *Then running National and EU Anthems.*

6th Day - closing day - 12th October, 2015

H 10:00: final meeting.

Presentation of the EWY CALENDAR 2016, prepared by all youngsters.

Final greetings. Brunch.

Return home of foreign Delegations.

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