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

Participation: The project involved 351 citizens, notably 172 participants from the city of Sorano (**Italy**), 43 participants from the city of Saint Julian's (**Malta**), 35 participants from the city of Paredes (**Portugal**), 28 participants from the city of Trazo (**Spain**), 34 participants from the city of Heviz (**Hungary**), 39 participants from the city of Felsőzsolca (**Hungary**).

Location/ Dates: The event took place in Sorano (**Italy**), from 02/09/2021 to 08/09/2021

Short description:

The day of 02/09/2021 was dedicated to Arrival of the delegations, icebreakers and name game, presentation of the programme, meeting with local volunteers and integrational activities

The day of 03/09/2021 was dedicated to visit of the hamlet of Sovana, part of the Municipality of Sorano, to start the understanding of how the administration of a wide rural territory in Italy works, meeting with the local city councillor and volunteering organizations, visit to the heritage of Sovana, recognized as one of the most beautiful

historical centers in Italy. Slido group activity on EU perception. Visit of the Fortezza Orsini and undergrounds in

Sorano. Integrational activity.

The day of 04/09/2021 was dedicated to the visit to the hamlet of San Quirico, meeting with the local city councillor and trekking to the archaeological site of Vitozza "the lost city" with the Custodi delle Vie Cave volunteering association, learning about the citizens efforts to preserve and valorize the vaste cultural and archaeological heritage of Sorano territory, exchange of experiences on tourism management and preservation of archaeological sites during the Covid Pandemic, Slido activity on the post Covid-19 recovery of local communities.

In the evening the IPER Multilateral Workshop was implemented in the Fortezza Orsini Theater on the theme European Reactivation – The Post Covid-19 Recovery". Signature of the Friendship and Cooperation Agreement among the partners followed by an official dinner and gift exchange ceremony.

The day of 05/09/2021 was dedicated to the visit of the Vie Cave together with the "Custodi delle Vie Cave" and Pro Loco volunteering organization. Visit to the hamlet of Montorio e lunch with local councillors and volunteers.

Debate on the challenges of rural communities and their resilience strategies. Typical dinner organized by the Pro

Loco.

The day of 06/09/2021 was dedicated to the visit of the city of Pitigliano with a guided tour to understand the history of the territory of which Sorano is part and that influenced its history and social development.

The day of 07/09/2021 was dedicated to the visit to the Sorano thermal baths and SPA, exchanging practices on the tourist sector and volunteering in the promotion of cultural and touristic destinations at local level, debate on the challenges faced by local communities living mostly of tourism during the Covid-19 Lockdown and their resilience strategies, discussion on EU travel regulations and different national restrictions that create difficulties on the movement of touristic flows. Integrational activities.

The day of 08/09/2021 was dedicated to the discussion of follow-up, with a group work on the Citizens, Equality,

Rights and Values Programme 2021-2027, illustrating the new Programme Priorities and selection of the future field of cooperation for the partnership to keep up the work started by IPER and following the indications of the Friendship and Cooperation Agreement. Greetings ceremony and departure of the delegations.





