





НАЦИОНАЛНА АГЕНЦИЈА ЗА ЕВРОПСКИ ОБРАЗОВНИ ПРОГРАМИ И МОБИЛНОСТ



## ERASE THE HATE BOOKLET

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ERASE THE HATE IS ERASMUS+ YOUTH **EXCHANGE** PROJECT THAT ADDRESSES THE DAMAGES THAT SOCIETIES ARE HAVING BASED ON DISCRIMINATION AND RACISM IN MANY DIFFERENT WAYS. THE MOST ERODING SIDE EFFECT OF DISCRI-MINATION IS THAT FOR A LARGE NUMBER OF PEOPLE LIVING IN EUROPE AND IN THE WORLD THE DISCRIMINATION AFFECTS THEIR HUMAN DIGNITY, THEIR LIFE **OPPORTUNITIES, THE PROSPERITY AND** WELLBEING, AND IN MANY CASES ALL THESE THINGS LEAD TO HATE SPEECH OR ESCALATE INTO A HATE CRIMES WHICH AFFECTS THE PERSONAL SAFETY OF AN INDIVIDUAL.

The partner organization on this project were from Greece, Poland, Romania, Italy and North Macedonia.













The Centre for Research and Analysis NOVUS is a non-governmental organization established in 2013 in Strumica. The main areas of work of the association NOVUS are focused on the field of youth, non-formal education, improvement and rising the social status and awareness of citizens and youth, with special emphasis on protection and affirmation of basic human rights and freedoms guaranteed by the Constitution, laws and international agreements and conversations as well as promoting accountable and transparent operation of the institutions.

## EUFEMIA

The Eufemia team develops and implements innovative educational tools based on non-formal, peer-to-peer and learning-by-doing education. This organization promotes European volunteering as personal and social growth, works in schools and with young people, supporting and spreading the values of international mobility. Eufemia is active on a local, national and international level. You are a member of COP (Piedmontese NGO Consortium) and a recognized player in the vast network of collaborations between public and private institutions, third sector associations and individual citizens.

## **SEE IN ACTION**

SEE in Action is non-governmental organization based in Athens Greece. The goal of this organization is to bring young people from Southeast European countries closer as participants in various events and raise awareness on social issues in the region. SEE in action is an organization which supports and encourages civil society organizations from Greece to start a multi-level collaboration with similar organizations in many countries of southeast Europe, since this organization envision and aspire to the solidarity of the region.

## ONIX

The Onix Youth Association, founded in July 2010, aimed from the very beginning to approach a diverse range of activities, with reference to the various individual and social problems existing at local and even European level. In this sense, starting with this date, our organization has enjoyed a continuous evolution, reaching today to be able to boast the involvement of over 2000 young people from the local community and neighboring localities in problems of interest. Onix adds a series of European projects, where the organization was brilliantly represented by members, in two of the projects being Beneficiary coordinator.

### IRSE

The IRSE Foundation is a non-governmental organization based in Gdansk, Poland The mission of the Foundation IRSE is to create favorable conditions for development informal education and dissemination of life long learning concept. This organization works on topics like gender equality and non-discrimination due to ancestry, religion, physical ability, age and sexual orientation are duties of the Polish state which were enshrined into the Polish constitution and are part of many international non-discrimination treaties. DAY 2 - GET INTO THE TOPIC

### Workshop Role play "Act out your stereotypes"

"Act your stereotypes" is a role play game where the national groups act out the most commonly known stereotypes about they're country. The goal of this activity is for the participants to get to discuss and see the different stereotypes and prejudges they have about the other countries and how do they have an impact on discrimination against people of a certain а t i 0 а i t n V n

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## Workshop "What is discrimination?" (group work) and discussion about the topic

The participants had a chance to discuss how they perceive discrimination and the many aspects of it. The goal of this activity was to see how the participants understand discrimination and what can we do to have an impact in stopping it.



**DAY 2 - GET INTO THE TOPIC** 

#### Discussion: Danger of a single story



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During this activity the participants had the task to listen to the TED talk of woman bv the name of а Chimamanda Ngozi Adichie and her story by the name of "Danger of a single story". After listening to a part of a story the national groups had to answer to certain question and discuss the answers with the other groups after the questions were а n S W е r е d

#### Photo voice- Photography and Narrative- Writing

The goal of this activity was to how the participants see perceive one image and what the real story behind it is. Each of the participants had chosen picture with a certain а backstory and was asked how do THEY perceive an image. The conclusion of this activity was to not judge something based on the first look because behind every image there is a story. This activity was led by a young fasilitator from Romania, Octavian, with a help of a reporter from Italy, Α е S S i а



05. DAY 3 - CASE STUDY

# **ACTIVITIES:**

### Take a step forward

Take a step forward is a game where the participants are given certain roles which represent specific characters of different social status in one's society. Then the participants are asked to take a step forward if they agree or disagree with a specific question regarding the role. At the end the participants look around to see where the others are standing. The conclusion of this activity was for the participants to see that different groups of people are treated differently based on their social status.

### Hate speech and hate crime

This was an activity where the participants had a discussion and learned about hate speech and hate crimes and what separates hate speech and hate crimes from other types of crimes. The participants had a chance to learn different types of crimes and the thin line between what is considered hate crimes and different types of crimes.

### Workshop "Media and Discrimination in the Media"

During this workshop the participants who were divided in different groups and were given the task to present what do the terms echo chamber and echo- bubbles mean and what we can do to escape them. This activity is important in fighting hate crimes and hate speech because one of the main tools used for spreading the hate crimes are social media platforms. **The activity was organized by a Greek and Italian fasilitators, Nef and Alessia.** 

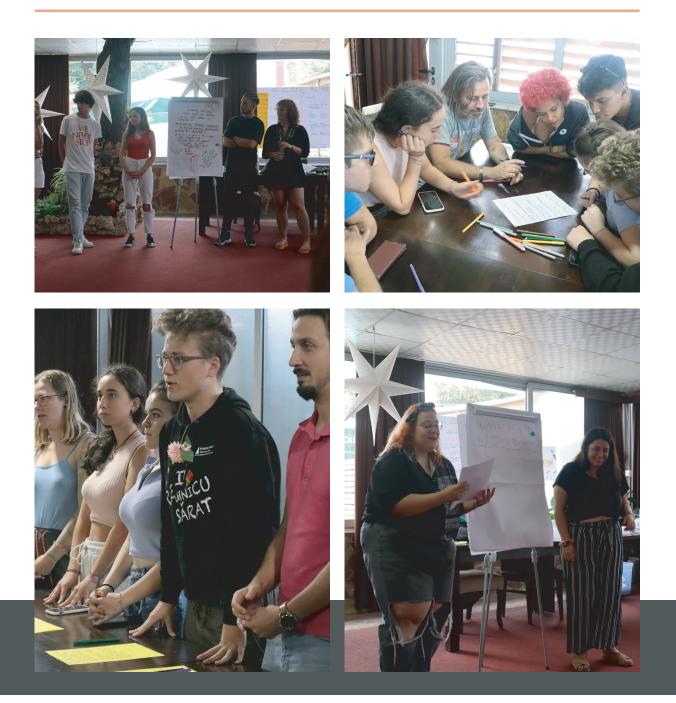
## CASE STUDY (European Court of Human Rights)

In this activity the participants were divided into three separate groups - council, sued, defender, not depend on they're nationalities. The group was given a real court case about an Indian man in the UK, who sued the UK government for human rights violations. The goal of the activity was to see the three perspectives in the case.

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# 05. DAY 3 - CASE STUDY

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# 06. DAY 4 - MULTIKULTI

### Concept of culture



Concept of culture was an activity where the participants discussed what culture means to them and how culture can affect our way of thinking.

### Cultural crossover

Cultural crossover was an activity which the participants acquired knowledge about other cultures trough the form of a game. The goal of this activitv was for the participants to spark up a discussion about the chosen culture, to create an inclusive to share environment, experience with people of a certain culture and most importantly break the stereotypes and our ignorance about that culture. Props to from Poland who Zosia organized and led this i v i а t t С У



### About the Youth Festival

Strumica Youth Festival is a youth initiative that started last year. By this Festival, the youth in Strumica is celebrating the International Youth Day on 12th of August every year. This year the Erasmus+ participants had the chance to take part of the second edition of this festival. The hosts were more than happy to include their workshop in the agenda which was, Artivism as a tool for fighting discrimination and hate speech



### Artivism as a tool for fighting discrimination and hate speech

The workshop was organized and led by part of the Erasmus+ participants from Italy. Sofia as a artist, explained the meaning of using a different colors to express your feelings and emotions. Then the participants made a wall of art, using only colors which represent the feeling that they get when hearing about hate speech, hate crime and discrimination.

# 06. DAY 5 - YOUTH FESTIVAL

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# 07. **TESTIMONIALS**

### **Baicu Raluca-Ioana**



### Aleksandar Barakovski

This project wasn't just a journey, it was a launch into a world of diversity but also similarity. We suceeded the mission of the project to erase the hate and overwrote it with joyfull love, unforgettable laughs and cemented friendships formed trough the best nights spent together, the wonderfull youth festival and the farewell bbg party. Thanks to everybody that made this project a b l е o r е m m

Hello, my name is Raluca, I am 16 years old and I am from Romania. During an Erasmus+ Youth Exchange I got the chance to be at the Strumica Youth Festival. There, I met a lot of amazing youngsters, made new friends. boosted my energy and also learned many things from the workshops. The organizing team was really friendly and opened to any idea, but also very professional at any point. I will never forget this experience and I hope that next year I will be there again to have mv best time!

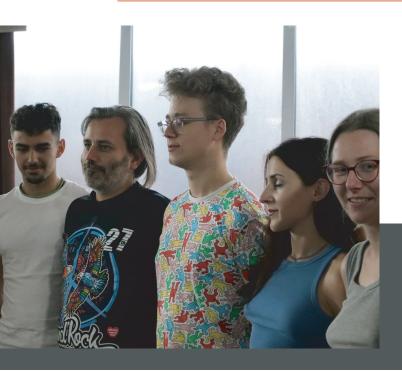


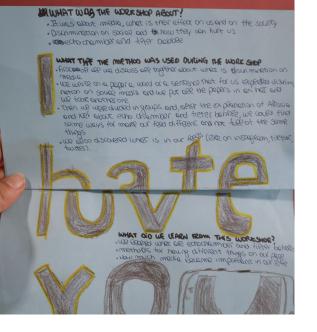
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# 07. DAY 6 - DISSEMINATION

### **Dissemination day:**

The participants were working in their national groups and planning the next steps for transefiring the knwoledge to their peers and in their countries. .







# 07. **TESTIMONIALS**



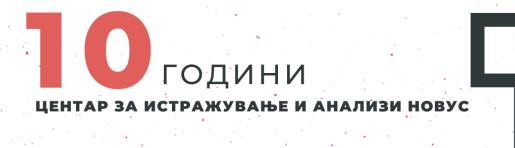
### Konstantina Zografi

One project that i will definately not forget! The project took place in Strumica, one very active city with many hospitable residents. That day also was the N. Macedonian interculttural night! In the 12 of August (day 6) was the international Youth day and of course there was a festival in Strumica with many energizers, activities, music and many locals which we had the chance to talk with them! that festival lasted till the afternoon.

### Pruteanu Rareș Octavian

They say what happens in Erasmus, stays in Erasmus, but I think the wording is not guite right. What happens in Erasmus stays with you forever. Be it memories or nowhere else found life lessons, they really stick with you. In the project Erase the Hate, Струмича gave me memories and the newly found ability to read and write in kirilic, and the people I shared this experience with helped me rediscover myself for the better. You will never understand the profound meaning of these words until you participate, so take this opportunity of a lifetime Hobyc is giving you and sign up for your first project!





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