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Applicable to Strand 1 – "European Remembrance"

Preparatory activities: the activities involved 17 participants (8 from Czech Republic – Jan Blažek, Marie Janoušková, Martin Petráň, Zbyněk Jurkovský, Jakub Pánek, Viktor Portel, Tereza Tomášová, Kristýna Bardová, Magdaléna Benešová, 3 from Slovakia – Sandra Polovková, Martin Rodák, Iveta Svetlíková, 3 from Croatia – Boris Stamenić, Alice Straniero, Jurica Virković, 2 from Germany – Uljana Sieber, Christine Bücher).

Location / Dates: - three formal on-line meetings (22. January 2021, 2. March 2021 and 23. April 2023)

Short description: During these meetings, a united oral historical methodology for conducting the interviews was created and agreed upon, time-table of the project and exhibition was settled. Identification of suitable witnesses/narrators was also a substantial part of the preparatory phase, actually the most demanding one. It was done by all project partners in mutual cooperation.

Events:

2 main events have been carried out within this project:

Event 1 – recording of interviews and travelling exhibition

Subevent 1a – recording of interviews

Participation: The event involved 40 citizens (29 witnesses, 5 interviewees and 6 camera people), including 18 participants from the city of Dresden and other German cities (**Germany**), 5 participants from the city of Torino (**Italy**), 2 participants from the city of Zagreb (**Croatia**), 7 participants from the city of Wrocław (**Poland**), 2 participants from the city of Mosonmagyaróvár (**Hungary**), 3 participants from the city of Bratislava (**Slovakia**) and 3 participants from the city of Prague (**Czech Republic**).

Location / Dates: The event took place in **Dresden (Germany)**, **Wrocław, (Poland)**, **Torino (Italy)**, **Mosonmagyaróvár, Hungary** in the period from 01/05/2021 to 31/08/2021

Short description: The aim of the event was to collect oral historical testimonies of people who faced involuntary relocation in the last months and after WWII. The interviewers were mostly from the countries of origin of the interviewees, therefore the act of taking down the testimony was in itself an act of dialogue, reflection and attempt at reconciliation. Five interviews of Italian expatriates from Croatia were conducted by Croatian team in Torino, Italy (Antonio Vatta, Andor Brakus, Ettore Lenich, Egidio Rocchi, and Mario Biasiol). Eleven interviews of German expatriates from Czech Republic were conducted by Czech team in Dresden, Germany (Oswald Kittel, Astrid Pitz, Walter Pitz, Helmut Bernert, Konrad Micksch, Gunther Klemens, Werner Friedrich, Johan Gruner, Elisabeth Heilmann, Peter Linhardt, Josef Wagner). Two interviews of Hungarian expatriates from Slovakia were taken by Slovak team in Hungary (Mária Bors, Anna Szirtli) and one in Slovakia (František Vaczula). Two interviews of German expatriates from Poland were conducted by Czech team in Germany (Hans-Dieter Haim, Dieter Groffig, Ruth Hartmann) and two by German team in Germany (Margot Kowaljowa, Margit Mühle). Five interviews of Poles expatriated from Poland were taken by Polish team in Wrocław, Poland (Ryszard Gaik, Stefan Leśków, Paweł Dowberńko, Bogumiła Koszelnik, Bronisław Polikowski). The interviews were conducted by Jan Blažek, Alice Straniero, Marek Szajda, Martin Rodák and Katrin Thiel + their respective camera crews. The interviews were taken on professional cameras in order for them to be published on the Memory of National international archive.

Subevent 1b – travelling exhibition in six European destinations

Participation: The event involved up to 38.098 citizens, including 5.702 participants from the city of Bratislava (**Slovakia**), 4.615 participants from the city of Zagreb (**Croatia**), 2.609 participants from the city of Dresden (**Germany**), 4.677 participants from the city of Wrocław (**Poland**), 12.521 participants from the city of Prague (**Czech Republic**) and 7.974 participants from the city of Ostrava (**Czech Republic**)

Location / Dates: The event took place in:

Bratislava (**Slovakia**), from 06/01/2022 to 30/01/2022

Zagreb (**Croatia**), from 31/01/2022 to 21/02/2022

Dresden (**Germany**), from 23/02/2022 to 22/03/2022

Wrocław (**Poland**), from 23/03/2022 to 19/04/2022

Prague (**Czech Republic**), from 20/04/2022 to 13/05/2022

Ostrava (**Czech Republic**), from 02/06/2022 to 30/06/2022

Short description: The aim of the event was conveying the stories of the 12 chosen witnesses of forced relocations (Franz

Gruss, Ryszard Gaik, Antonio Vatta, Mária Bors, Hans-Dieter Haim, Petro Dzyndra, Oswald Kittel, František Vaczula, Stefan Lesków, Dieter Groffig, Astrid Pilz, Andor Brakus) at the end and after WWII to the public in the countries of origin of the witnesses. By doing so, the witnesses virtually returned “home” – if not in body, then in their stories. The visitors of the exhibition were able to read the stories of witnesses on panels and listen to excerpts from these stories in sound and picture - this all on the travelling carrier of a specially designed exhibition track.

Event 2 - workshops

Participation: The event involved 715 (+visitors) citizens, including 296 participants from the city of Prague and other Czech cities (**Czech Republic**), 130 participants from the city of Bratislava and other Slovak cities (**Slovakia**), 68 participants from the city of Wrocław and other Polish cities (**Poland**), 81 participants from the city of Zagreb and other Croatian cities (**Croatia**), approx. 140 participants (4 x 35, due to the sensitivity of the issue, participants of the event did not have to sign list) from the city of Dresden (**Germany**). Apart from that, Croatian and German partner invited visitors to a printed in-house continuation of the travelling exhibition, with the estimated number of 2.850 visitors in Germany.

Location / Dates: The events took place in:

Lektorská akademie. (Pardubice, **Czech Republic**), on 08/10/2021

ZŠ Jungmannova. (Kuřim, **Czech Republic**), on 04/11/2021

Gymnázium Letecká. (Moravská Třebová, **Czech Republic**), on 23/11/2021

Gymnázium Sladkovského. (Prague, **Czech Republic**), on 23/11/2021

Gymnázium Sladkovského. (Prague, **Czech Republic**), on 25/11/2021

ZŠ Gajdošova. (Brno, **Czech Republic**), on 02/12/2021

ZŠ Nezvala. (Most, **Czech Republic**), on 03/12/2021

ZŠ Bítovce. (Bítovce, **Slovakia**), on 09/06/2021

1.ZŠ. (Levice, **Slovakia**), on 21/06/2021

ZŠ Oslany. (Oslany, **Slovakia**), on 25/11/2021

ZŠ Železničárska. (Bratislava, **Slovakia**), on 24/02/2022

ZŠ Podzámske. (Hlohovec, **Slovakia**), on 12/05/2022

Centrum Historii Zajezdnia. (Wrocław, **Poland**), on 30/03/2022

Centrum Historii Zajezdnia. (Wrocław, **Poland**), on 09/06/2022

Documenta Centar za Suočavanje s Prošlošću. (Zagreb, **Croatia**), on 01/02/2022

Documenta Centar za Suočavanje s Prošlošću. (Zagreb, **Croatia**), on 16/02/2022

Documenta Centar za Suočavanje s Prošlošću. (Zagreb, **Croatia**), on 09/03/2022

Kliofest. (Zagreb, **Croatia**), on 17/05/2022

Gedenkstätte Bautzner. (Dresden, **Germany**), on 11/04/2022

Gedenkstätte Bautzner. (Dresden, **Germany**), on 09/05/2022

Gedenkstätte Bautzner. (Dresden, **Germany**), on 16/05/2022

Gedenkstätte Bautzner. (Dresden, **Germany**), on 23/05/2022

Short description: The aim of the event was to convey the broader historical context of the topics of the project as well as the key messages of the witnesses/narrators to students and broader public in the participating states through a series of tailor made and site specific workshops and debates in order to contribute the peaceful cohabitation of various nationalities and communities in the participating countries and in Europe as such.