

STRUGA, MKD

We made connections through activities meant for consolidating a team: we did sightseeing and got acquainted with the Macedonian culture, we got the chance to taste traditional food and beverages from 12 different countries.



How should SO (sending organization), CO (coordinating org.), HO (hosting org.) cooperate in order to carry out a better EVS project from the management perspective as well as from the volunteers' point of view

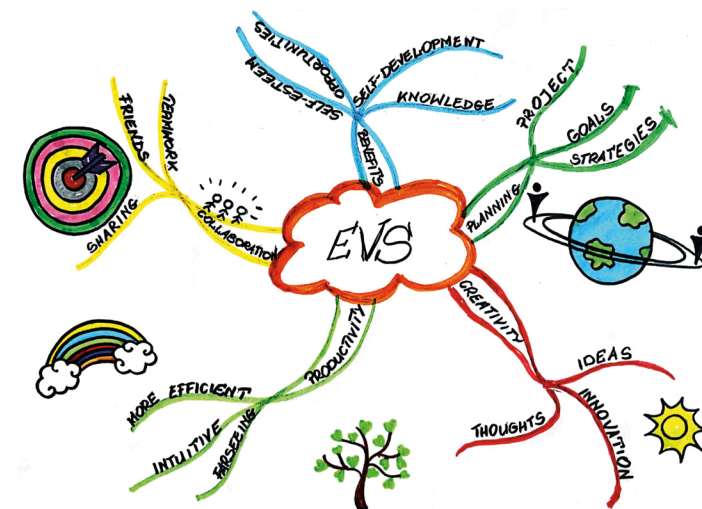
We took part in various activities and had the opportunity to learn how to write and develop a project step by step, but also how to conduct a workshop, followed by feedback from the facilitators and the group as well.



The seminar was undoubtedly an unforgettable event. First and foremost, we were able to extend our knowledge and learn how to put it into practice. Secondly, we enhanced our confidence as we managed to deal successfully with lots of multifaceted tasks. Last but not least, we had a lot of fun!



**VOLUNTEERING:
STEP FORWARD
TO ENTREPRENEURSHIP
AND EMPLOYABILITY**



IGNAT, 28, TURKEY

"I improved my communication skills. Each time I participate in such events, seminars and training courses I feel I improve my self-competence and self-confidence. I improved practical skills about EVS tools and methods which I'd like to use in the future because of my life involved in the EVS."

FABIO, 36, ITALY

"Now I have more practical knowledge how to get some funds for projects and how EVS could be translated into entrepreneurship. I got some more suggestions, memories and good feelings to help me go through the project and to expand my network."

ZANE, 24, LATVIA

"I've learnt how to make projects and present them, get some new knowledge about EVS. I will go home and realize my project that I started here."

MALGORZATA, 39, POLAND

"I became more aware of my responsibilities in terms of EVS volunteering as I am a member of HO. I met new people, I can do networking now. I hope for future cooperation as my school is going to make a project and we will need some partner countries. Moreover, I've been in Macedonia for the first time, so I could do some sightseeing and see interesting places."



Erasmus+



MILICZ, PL



NGO helping both children and adults with special needs through different therapies in their two separate centers.

Developing ideas for future projects. Our participants had innovative ideas for how to deal with youth unemployment, yet have shown their social entrepreneurship side.



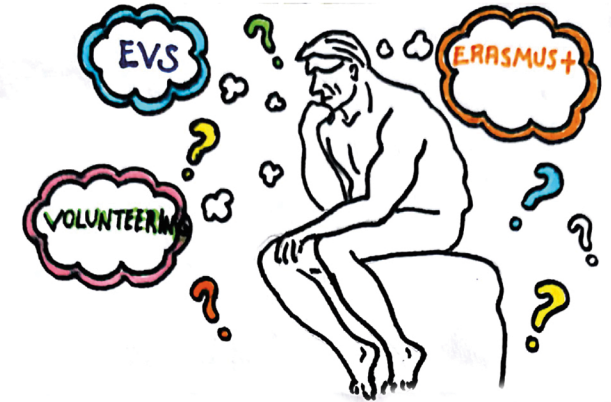
The participants getting to know the local environment, developing teambuilding and at the same time being eco-friendly.



Short session about mentoring held by our local participant and EVS mentor, Michał Szablewski. We really saw the story from a different perspective that broadened our horizons.



LET'S EVS



NIKOLETA, 20, ROMANIA

"I'm gonna take back how to organize trainings and workshops as I want to become a professional facilitator with the help of EPTO (European Peer Training Organization). It was because a gain a lot of EVS information and what it actually means I got to meet people, their ideas and perspectives so the whole experience enlarged my horizons. Also I'm really considering now going on EVS."

LIIS, 30, ESTONIA

"The 5D-s was very useful to me. Also in Poland we did a project with a group and presented it to the major of Milicz and that was a very useful experience. I have so many new connections, knowledge about entrepreneurship and how to help and push my volunteers towards being an entrepreneur."

ALI, 30, FINLAND

"There are many things I have learnt. We are different people here. I learnt how to work with different people, presenting different countries, speaking different languages. It's my first time. Friends told me about the project. It was fantastic idea, meeting people, place, seminars... I've never been to Macedonia. It's a fantastic country specially Struga."

MICHAŁ, 29, POLAND

"All the practical activities, like energizers and methods and contacts. Better knowledge of EVS and Erasmus+ and the structure of problems among EVS. Also the training course was good for developing mentoring skills."