# SOCIAI Newsletter



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## **Cultural Enrichment**



Partners Enjoy Social Engagement Erasmus+ provides opportunities for cultural enrichment activity whilst on an international mobility. It is an invaluable opportunity for people to broaden horizons and immerse in diverse cultures within the host location and organisation, gain firsthand experience of different traditions, languages, and perspectives, building a greater understanding and appreciation of European diversity, enhancing personal and professional growth, intercultural communication skills, and improving inclusion awareness.



# Transnational Project Meeting Slovenia



Partners Transnational Project Planning Meeting – Hosted by UPI, Zalec, Slovenia

The Transnational Project Management meetings are essential for effective collaboration among our EU partners. This meeting provided a platform for discussing project objectives, sharing ongoing best practices, and addressing any challenges that have arisen. By bringing together representatives. these sessions ensured that everyone is aligned on the project goals and timelines. In addition to our digital meetings, face-to-face interactions enhance communication, build trust, and encourage a sense of shared purpose, which is crucial for the successful implementation of the project.

to develop the project management, but also an opportunity for cultural exchange and professional development, enabling partners to learn from each other's experiences and expertise as the project reaches the implementation stage, contributing to the creation of innovative training solutions effective educational strategies. The meeting strengthened the network of partners, paving the way for successful C2 training with learners later in 2024. This cornerstone of our Erasmus+ program, is helping drive its success and amplifying its potential impact across Europe and beyond.

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### **GROUP TRAINING EXERCISES**



### **Group Training Activity in Zalec**

Group training exercises are crucial for building a collaborative and productive work environment within the partnership. Group activity helps team members get to know each other, build trust, and establish a sense of camaraderie, improving effective communication and teamwork. with the added benefit of improving language skills and capacity.

The training opportunities designed by the UPI team ensure that team members are equipped with the necessary skills and knowledge to perform their tasks efficiently when implementing the pilot training in each partner country. Together, these activities enhance team cohesion. boost morale, and drive overall project success by creating a well-connected and competent collaborative partnership



Ice Breaker Exercises

# **UNDERSTANDING THE SLOVENIAN** APPROACH TO SOCIAL ENTREPRENEURSHIP



The UPI Team

UPI developed a packed agenda for the TPM event, with comprehensive exploration of models of good practice in the Zalec region, with administration and management issues addressed for compliance. This immersive activity provided partners with the opportunity to explore and exchange examples of good practice, and cascade the learning within each organisation and to share innovation, knowledge and expertise.

### SOCIAL ENTREPRENURSHIP IN THE EU

Social entrepreneurship in Europe is rapidly gaining momentum as a dynamic force for addressing societal challenges through innovative business solutions. European social entrepreneurs are at the forefront of creating enterprises that prioritise social impact alongside financial sustainability, whilst delivering a quality service to clients and wider society. Social Enterprise tackle a wide array of issues, from environmental sustainability and renewable energy to social inclusion and poverty alleviation. The European Union is actively supporting this movement through funding programs, policy frameworks, and networks that build collaboration and knowledge sharing, for example through Erasmus+. As a result, social entrepreneurship is not only contributing to economic growth but also promoting social equity and environmental stewardship across Europe, driving progress toward a more inclusive and sustainable future.





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