3rd TRANSNATIONAL LEARNING ACTIVITY in Desenzano del Garda (ITALY) 11th-17th November 2018– ERASMUS project 2016-1-AT01-KA219-016660 "Let' s build Europe Together"

REPORT

From 11th to 17 November 2018 the Third Transnational learning activity of students (Croatian and Austrian and Italian) working at the project 2016-1-AT01-KA219-016660 "Let's build Europe Together" took place at IISS "Bazoli-Polo" in Desenzano del Garda, Italy.

11 Nov 2018 - Sunday

This is the arrival day of participants at Desenzano by train. The teachers from the hosting school and Italian students' parents picked up all the participants from the railways station of Desenzano del Garda. The students were hosted by the Italian students' families, the Croatian and Austrian teachers stayed at "Piccola Vela" hotel. At 8.00 p.m. we had the welcome dinner, with all the teachers involved in this project and with our headmistress, at the restaurant of the hotel "Piccola Vela".

12 Nov 2018 - Monday

This was the first day of the working sessions. We started the activity in the auditorium of our school. The Headmistress, Francesca Subrizi, welcomed all the students and their teachers. Then we discussed and showed the works of all partners involved in the project (video and power point presentations about the topic of the exchange:"Opportunities for political participation, decision-making and conflict resolution processes in EU"). Since the main guidelines are about democracy and active citizenship, all the works were centred in the political participation in EU, expecially of young people and women.

It was underlined the great significance for the students to recognise the role of an active citizen, the way of searching future potentials and opportunities in the European Union and the importance of voting, to express the higher significance of democracy. After this we visited the premises of our school, meeting some students and some teachers, illustrating the project and its aim. At 11.30 we met the major of Desenzano at the town hall meeting room, where snacks were offered to the participants at the end of the major's speech.

Then we had lunch in Desenzano.

In the afternoon the first day went on with a visit of the main attractions in Desenzano (the castle, the Villa romana and the Cathedral).

13 Nov 2018 - Tuesday

During the second day, the students and the teachers had an excursion to the city of Milan for the whole day, by private coach. They visited the Castello sforzesco, The Duomo (cathedral) and the Galleria Vittorio Emanuele and the busy streets in the city centre.

14 Nov 2018 –Wednesday

On Wednesday morning the students had a very interesting activity with a teacher of economics and law of our school, prof. Gianpaolo Sensi. At first he explained the students how to conduct a debate and then, after splitting the students into two parties, they debated about the example of Austria, which has been the first European country that permit young

people of sixteen to vote. So the theme of the debate was: "Voting at 16 in Austria: a possible model for the EU?"

All the students and the teachers really enjoyed this activity, that can be considered to have been very positive.

Wednesday was also the day for the excursion and visit to the most important historical sites and monuments of Sirmione: the Scaligeri Castle, The Caves of Catullo and the Spa natural springs of healthy water, very famous in Italy (in the afternoon).

At night we accompanied the Austrian and the Croatian teachers to Brescia by car, to visit some of the best touristic attractions. We returned to desenzano after dinner.

15 Nov 2018 – Thursday

On this day we visited Verona, by private coach: the Arena, Castelvecchio, Piazza delle erbe, Juliet's house. (whole day)

16 Nov 2018 – Friday

In the morning at school the students worked for the final product; they prepared two videos about the activities of the week, with the help of two teachers of the school , prof. Galantino and prof. Milli. They also decided for some songs and music to play together during the final meeting.

After this activities we went to the shopping centre "Il leone", to have lunch and to do shopping.

At 4.00 p.m. we met again with all the students, some parents, the teachers involved in the project and in the activity of the week, two journalists of the local newspapers and our headmistress in the auditorium of our school, for the farewell event.

The students showed their works to the public, we gave them the certificates of attendance, the headmistress spoke and thanked all the participants. At the end the students sang some Croatian, Austrian and Italian songs and then they had a snack offered by our school.

In the evening there was the Farewell dinner at pizzeria Linus, in Desenzano, for the students and the teachers.

17 Nov **2018** – Saturday

The Croatians and the Austrians left by train, after being driven to the station by the students' parents and by the Italian teachers.