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EVENT DESCRIPTION SHEET

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PROJECT	
Participant:	1 – Municipality of Číčov, Číčov
PIC number:	876703752
Project name and acronym:	A Civic Path to European Cohesion – Číčov 2026 - CICOV2026

EVENT DESCRIPTION	
Event number:	101275786
Event name:	A CIVIC PATH TO EUROPEAN COHESION – ČÍČOV 2026
Type:	Opening ceremony, Ceremonial laying of wreaths, Formal meeting of representatives of the partner towns, Workshops, Presentations, Debates, Informational stand, social and cultural activities
In situ/online:	In-situ
Location:	Slovakia, Číčov
Date(s):	19.06.2026 – 21.06.2026
Website(s) (if any):	www.cicov.sk
Participants	
Female:	228
Male:	231
Non-binary:	0
From country 1 [Slovakia]:	253
From country 2 [Romania]:	50

From country 3 [Hungary]:	125		
From country 4 [Czech Republic]	31		
Total number of participants:	459	From total number of countries:	4

Description

Provide a short description of the event and its activities.

Our project represented the cooperation between municipalities and other entities in order to give the citizens of the EU opportunity to play an active role in the EU direction. Through our project we created the place for public discussions, debates, exchanges of views and experiences, share the good practices of solving problems and issues on local, regional and the EU level. Project mobilized citizens from different European countries to discuss specific issues on the European policy agenda, promote civic participation in the EU policy-making process and support cooperation and cultural ties between European citizens. For participants was prepared an interesting programme.

On 19 June 2026:

The programme began with the **Opening Ceremony**, where the mayor welcomed citizens and guests, introduced the objectives of the project, presented the partners and their roles, and explained the history and motivation behind the cooperation. This was followed by the **Ceremonial Laying of Wreaths at the Graves of Fallen Heroes of World War I and II**, accompanied by a performance by the Caritas choir, an ecumenical service of the Roman Catholic and Reformed Churches, and a commemorative speech honouring the memory of the fallen. Participants then visited a **Photo Exhibition Focused on Presenting the Village**, showcasing projects implemented with the support of EU funds and highlighting local development achievements. The day continued with a **Formal Meeting of Representatives of Partner Towns**, where participants discussed future cooperation projects, shared local activities, exchanged experiences from EU-funded initiatives, and presented good practices in project implementation. In the evening, the **Rights Film Night** offered a selection of short explanatory videos aimed at making European topics more accessible and engaging for children, youth, and families. The day concluded with **Cultural Performances and Ice-Breaking Activities**, featuring local dance, music, songs, and traditional costumes from different European cultures, alongside interactive activities designed to encourage participants to connect and get to know one another.

On 20 June 2026:

The second day started with the **Cultural Fair**, where twinned towns presented their food, music, traditions, crafts, exhibitions and cultural heritage, highlighting stories of community solidarity. This was followed by an **Educational Village Tour**, introducing participants to local cultural and historical monuments. Participants then took part in a **Quiz on the History of the Village** and engaging fun games focused on strength and skill. The programme continued with **Intergenerational Dialogue Circles**, where young people, adults and elderly participants shared experiences and discussed solidarity, EU values and visions for Europe's future. Later, the **Civic Lab "Solidarity in Action"** brought participants together to co-design community projects addressing social challenges such as youth unemployment, environmental issues, and digital exclusion, reflecting core EU values. The afternoon programme focused on the future of Europe through three key activities. The **"My Future Europe" Youth Assembly** simulated a European Parliament, where participants debated and voted on important EU issues. The **"Europe Talks Back" (Challenging Myths) Youth-Led Debates & Dialogue** addressed common misconceptions about the EU and included personal storytelling about how European integration has shaped individual lives. The **"Future EU Manifesto" Co-Creation Lab** allowed participants to jointly develop ideas and proposals for the future of Europe. The cultural and civic programme continued with **"Democracy on Stage" – Civic Theatre and Storytelling Festival**, where participants presented performances based on themes such as democracy, migration, gender equality, climate change, and historical reconciliation. The day concluded with a **Cultural Evening**, featuring performances, concerts, and street dance, celebrating European cultural diversity and promoting intercultural dialogue and mutual understanding.

On 21 June 2026:

The final day opened with the interactive activity **"I Decide!" – Interactive Game on Decision-Making**, where children participated in a simulation of community decision-making, experiencing how cooperation and voting shape local outcomes. This was followed by the **Final Conference**, which presented project results and research findings. The discussion focused on the importance of active EU citizenship, democratic values, citizens' rights, and participation in EU policy-making, as well as ways to strengthen solidarity, cohesion, and mutual respect among diverse European communities. The programme concluded with a visit to the thermal spa in Velký Meder, offering participants recreational water activities and informal networking opportunities.

For participants were prepared also all-day activities:

Informative Stand – Community Awareness Campaign “No Place for Violence Here” focused on raising awareness about domestic violence, child abuse, cyberbullying and harassment, while also presenting prevention measures and support services.

Parallel accompanying activities included a **Volunteering Afternoon**, involving community actions such as environmental clean-ups, tree planting, and collection of goods for local NGOs and refugee support. Additional activities included a football tournament, a local craft fair, EU knowledge quizzes, and performances by children from schools, kindergartens, and art schools.



HISTORY OF CHANGES

VERSION	PUBLICATION DATE	CHANGE
1.0	01.04.2022	Initial version (new MFF).