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**Applicable to the Strand 2 – Measure 2.1 "Town-Twinning"**

**Participation:** The project involved 229 citizens, notably 34 participants from Szeged (**Hungary**), 20 participants from Velka Ida (**Slovakia**), 26 participants from Ostrava (**Czech Republic**), 30 participants from Timisoara (**Romania**), 19 participants from Batina (**Croatia**), 22 participants from Gyula (**Hungary**), 16 participants from Banja Luka (**Bosnia and Herzegovina**) and 62 participants from Palic (**Serbia**).

**Location/ Dates:** The event took place in Palic (**Serbia**), from 23/09/2016 to 25/09/2016

**Short description:**

The day of 23/09/2016 was dedicated to KICK-OFF MEETING after the short introduction of local and guest participants exchanged their knowledge and experiences about the recent political, economic and social happenings in EU. Four thematic groups was formed around the interested fields: 1: government and policy 2: CSO and citizens. 3: economy (tourism sector). 4: institutions. At the THEMATIC WORKSHOPS participants presented the situation in all field, different opinions was discussed, and finally the framework for the public debate about Euroscepticism and Future of Europe was compiled. At the same day "EU PANORAMA" was installed in the territory of ZOO Palić, what was the main venue of the town twinning meeting. During the three day meeting participants and visitors could fill the text boxes under each picture, this way expressed they opinions and ideas about what kind of Europe they expect, and Serbia's role in this future vision.

The day of 24/09/2016 was dedicated to conference: DEBATE ABOUT EUROSCEPTICISM where representatives of twin settlements, economy, institutions, decision-makers, CSO representatives and citizens and other interest groups were discussed about pros and cons for and against EU, expressed their opinions and commented the actual EU happenings. These have helped to understand the views of integration opponents, to bring closer EU to citizens and to proclaim the EU achievements. At the DEBATE ABOUT EU FUTURE attendance expressed their opinions about EU related themes and about alternative views and directions, and the population role in EU. Draft version of the mutual statement was prepared, taken into account the comments left on the EU Panorama.

The day of 25/09/2016 was dedicated to CLOSING CONFERENCE where European and non-European citizens were involved in proclaiming its opinions. Joint statement has been elaborate that reflects the standpoint of the twin towns about the future of Europe. Partners will disseminate the Statement, as the common position of the partner communities to all levels of decision-making.