

EVENT DESCRIPTION SHEET

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PROJECT 101053363 - TFC	
Project name and acronym:	The Food Club: a European Network for Social Inclusion — TFC
Participant:	Comune di Castelnuovo del Garda (CDG)
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EVENT DESCRIPTION	
Event number:	14
Event name:	Intercultural cooking experience in ITALY II – CASTELNUOVO DEL GARDA EDS
Type:	Workshop
In situ/online:	in-situ
Location:	Italy, Castelnuovo del Garda
Date(s):	2023/03/21-22
Website(s) (if any):	https://www.foodclub.blog/category/results/ https://www.comune.castelnuovodelgarda.vr.it/c023022/po/mostra_news.php?id=1774&area=H
Participants	
Female:	10
Male:	15
Non-binary:	/
From country 1 [France]:	2
From country 2 [Spain]:	2
From country 3 [Romania]:	5
From country 4 [Czech Republic]:	2
From country 5 [Italy]:	14
Total number of participants:	25
From total number of countries:	5
Description	

Provide a short description of the event and its activities.

In March 2023 project partners returned to Castelnuovo del Garda, in Italy, to participate in an intercultural cooking experience dedicated to them, to the citizens of Castelnuovo including foreigners/people with different cultural backgrounds, third-country nationals and minorities. The first part of the event was dedicated to the visit of Distilleria Scaramellini in Sandrà (VR), a real-world leader in the production of liqueurs, where owner Andrea Scaramellini showed them the transformation process from the raw material to the final product. At the end of the visit, there was a small tasting of artisanal grappas accompanied by local products. This was followed by a walk along the shores of the beautiful Lake Garda together with the Mayor of Castelnuovo Giovanni Dal Cero.

In the afternoon, thanks to the help of the Associazione Nazionale degli Alpini of Verona, the Partners prepared a typical dish of their country that was served in the evening at a dinner at the Baita degli Alpini in Castelnuovo del Garda, attended by local and European authorities and the Alpini themselves, who livened up the event with music and traditional songs. The menu: Bigoli with Duck Ragù (Italy), Mămăligă (Romania-Alba Iulia), Paella (Spain), Bramboráky (Czech Republic), Sarmale (Romania- Zlatna), Apple Cake (Romania-Zlatna), Cheesecake (Romania- Alba Iulia), Cake Saint Germain (France). All these dishes were prepared using local ingredients, with insights on sustainable agriculture and food waste, and with cultural insights on the countries represented. The presence of the Associazione Nazionale degli Alpini of Verona helped project partners and participants in the shared dinner to understand the importance of the European Union as a unique political entity, as every national army is also part of the UE army, fostering the unity of our territories and helping protect and safeguard the Union as a whole.

For the preparation of the dinner project partners used a shared kitchen, while the venue was organized with a unique and long social table, allowing people to share food and get to know each other, talking and telling stories and curiosities about their own countries.

On the morning of Wednesday 22 March, after a short briefing, the Partners got to know the territory through a guided tour of Castelnuovo del Garda organized by the Mayor and Budget Councillor Gianfranco Gugole.

The event has been considered highly satisfactory by project partners and participants in general, as they mainly appreciated the insights provided by former members of the Alpini group, understanding how security and times of peace are not to be taken for granted, especially in light of the current geopolitical situation at the European borders.

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