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

Participation: The project involved 115 citizens, notably 41 participants from the city of Tautii-Magheraus (**România**), 17 participants from the city of Tuchów (**Poland**), 32 participants from the city of Mesna Zajednica Martonos (**Serbia**), 25 participants from the city of Martfű (**Hungary**), etc.

Location/ Dates: The event took place in Martfű (**Hungary**), from **18/08/2015** to **23/08/2015**

Short description:

The day of **18/08/2015** was dedicated to arrival, greeting, review the programme, 'Evening with friends' dinner, small concert

The day of **19/08/2015** was dedicated to nature and games. There was a competition called 'Discover Martfű' for our guests. After the competition we organized a steeplechase to test our guests' knowledge about our town. Next they participated at a conservationist programme: an expert gave a on landscape protection, about the natural resources of Tisza, and traditional ways of fishing. They also managed to take part at populating the local pond with fish. They could try archery and to prepare leather goods too.

In the evening they participated at our traditional Örökzöld Tisza Fesztivál (Evergreen Tisza Festival).

The day of **20/08/2015** was dedicated the conference and our official public ceremony in honour of St. Stephen we celebrate this national holiday. The main topics were: 'What did my own city/region do to reach sustainable development?' 'How do I look into the future, what are our tasks to change this vision?'. As part of the conference every committee of the invited towns had to hold a small cultural presentation about their hometown to give more information about their culture and traditions. In the afternoon there was an opportunity to play some sports, to do arts and crafts. Every participant could visit the Martfű Festival of 20th August where they could see performances of traditional Hungarian handcraft, concerts and take part in the celebration with fireworks. Every participant could visit the Martfű Festival of 20th August.

The day of **21/08/2015** was dedicated to an excursion to Tisza lake where our guests managed to participate at eco-touristic programmes: to get closer to the living environment of the region. They had lunch at the Tisza lake. In the afternoon our guests visited the Tisza Lake Eco-Centre and Freshwater Aquarium. In the evening they participated at our traditional Örökzöld Tisza Fesztivál (Evergreen Tisza Festival) with lots of concerts and shows.

The day of **22/08/2015** after breakfast all of our guests participated at the Európai Gyermekek Népi Játékok Fesztiválja (Festival of European Children Folk Games) where they could try traditional sports and games. Here was an opportunity to show the joint creation of the townwinning participants to the inhabitants of Martfű.

As part of the Festival there was a coach-driving competition as well and our guests loved it. After lunch we organised a great program to the local Craffhouse where the young guests could learn how to make gingerbread cakes and decorate them. In the name of traditions in the kitchen we organized a 'Gastronomy of our Region Party' where our guests tasted the flavours of our region: herbal teas, herbs, cheese etc.

The last dinner (a Hungarian speciality, 'slambuc', originally created by shepherds) was prepared together in teams. After dinner all guests participated at music concerts.

The day of **23/08/2015** was dedicated to breakfast, farewell by our mayor, departure.