



EVALUATION OF THE PROJECT MEETING – Brakel, Germany – 4th – 8th November 2013

	Bulgaria	Finland	Germany
Content of the programme	Very well written, with all the information you need.	The students found the programme interesting and versatile. We teachers think that everything was well organised, but our days were also quite long.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> + interesting to meet so many different people from different countries + diverse programme to get to know a lot about the different cultures
Presentation about countries, regions, schools	Quite interesting and well displayed.	It was interesting and useful to learn some basic facts and other things about each country, home town and school. There should be a short presentation on the hosting country/town and school at the beginning of every meeting because there are always new students in the meetings.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> + the films were good because they were easier to follow than presentations - some presentations were too long
International Evening	A fantastic way to learn more about the countries participating in the partnership.	We all liked it very much (the food, the programme and the atmosphere were good).	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> + dances + good because we got into contact with everyone + different taste of food → interesting - not enough time for the dances - maybe games for getting to know each other would be better during the cultural evening than in the morning
Designing a logo, website	A way of unlocking each student's creativity.	According to the students it was nice to work in international groups. The final logo looks	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> + enough time + the material was good - it was not so good that some countries have

		great. It's good that we used the students' ideas for the logo, too (the flags inside the stars etc.).	already worked on a logo at home because we like doing things together with the people from the other countries
Lessons with German teachers	Amusing and intriguing.	It is always interesting to follow lessons in other schools and countries.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - lesson 3 on Tuesday was boring for some because it was in German + some lessons like Mathematics or Latin were interesting for our guests; it was dependent on their personal knowledge + lessons 4 and 5 were very interesting and we had a lot of fun
Writing texts about the project	Not as much pleasant as we imagined.	Our students didn't comment on this matter.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> + good to have time to write about the project while you are in the country
Acting workshop with Julius D'Silver	The best thing about the meeting and the activities. It was brilliant.	The workshop with Julius was one of the best things during the meeting. It was a lot of fun and an educational and a very memorable experience.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> + very good to get into contact with the other students + you had the feeling you are an actor even if you are not good at acting + very good to understand even if your English is not so good + no one was afraid to act something out because Julius gave you the feeling that you are good + no one was shy to act something out + funny - not everyone was able to take part in the workshop due to a limited number of persons allowed
Trip to Paderborn/ Theatre visit	A wonderful visit and experience.	The students found it nice to have some free time and an opportunity to go shopping.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> + good to see a bigger town near Brakel + the teachers liked the theatre visit and think it was very interesting +/-some students liked the tour but did not like how the tour was carried out + the props were very interesting - some students think that the guided tour through the theatre was not interesting; moreover, they could not understand everything

Trip to Bonn and Cologne	Impressive trip in which you gain a lot of useful knowledge.	It was interesting to visit two famous German cities and some of their tourist attractions. The girls also loved to do some shopping, again 😊	+ very good and interesting +/- some exchange students loved the “House of Germany History” but some found it boring because they were not interested in German history +/-some loved the Chocolate Museum but not everyone - some would have preferred to have a look at the “House of Germany History” without a rally - too little time for shopping ➤ programme was very subjective
Leisure activities (warm up games, free time with hosts)	Refreshing and unforgettable.	Unfortunately, our students just wrote “good”.	+ the ratio of the leisure time and the programme was very good + it was good to have warm up games to get to know each other + the number of warm up games was right
Hotel Kaup	A lovely and cosy place	The rooms were okay, and the location and the breakfast were good.	----
German hosts	Warm-hearted with an impeccable way of communication; a memorable experience.	Our students liked their hosts very much. Iiro also wrote: “Frederik and his family have a lovely house.”	All the German students and parents LIKED their exchange students VERY MUCH!!!
Communication and cooperation	Quite good and excellent but not perfect.	The Finnish team found the communication and cooperation with everybody nice and easy. We teachers also think that we are a good team (the teachers of the 7 countries).	+ the communication was brilliant even if we did not always know every English word - some exchange students had problems with getting up in the mornings so that we nearly missed our trains and buses
To change in the next project meeting	Not necessary	Maybe we good start working at 9 every morning. It would also be nice to have a warm meal/or something like that for lunch, not bread and coffee every day.	-----

	Greece	Italy	Romania	Poland
Content of the programme	Different cultures on European stage is a successful programme which is based on our cultures, our national spirits and our will to communicate. It proves that it bounded us, it taught us how to accept the different and how to co-operate. Through it, we learned about other civilisations and we came closer to their lifestyle and ideology. „Tolerance and intolerance“ which is the content of the Greek programme, turns out to really work out through these meetings with people of other countries.	Very satisfying and suitable to plan future work	The programme wasn't too packed for the students; they had enough time to relax after working and have fun!	We are really satisfied with this exchange so we think the content of programme was very varied and well organized. We had a lot of interesting activities.
Presentation about countries, regions, schools	Presentations helped us learn about their countries, their schools, their educational system and the area where they live. As a result, we are now able to compare those components to ours and to meet a whole lifestyle we have never met before.	All partners did a very good job	It was nice and very useful to find so many things about the countries from where our new friends come.	They were really interesting and well prepared. We could learn a lot of new things.
International Evening	International evening was like the secret key in this relationship that was about to be built. We tasted different and traditional food which is an important thing of each culture, we danced like they do and thus we met another option of their tradition and finally we had fun altogether	Excellent for “ice breaking” and socializing	The International Evening was the best activity from the programme. We had fun and we got to know each other much better; although it should be longer.	Excellent! It was really cool, food was great, but it was too short - we didn't have enough time for dances from every country.
Designing a logo, website	Divided in groups we were to work together to make a logo which was essential for the Comenius website as well as design the website itself. We worked as a team, we shared our opinions, we expressed our ideas and we drew four different logos. Through that, we learned how the others were thinking and how to co-operate with people from other countries. We were somehow forced to think clever, quickly and efficiently.	The final logo was a right combination of the different proposals	This was the first activity when we were left alone, without our teachers, so we felt much more comfortable and laughed a lot.	It was nice as we worked in groups and everybody had many interesting ideas. It was good work. But there was too much time for this so we started to feel bored.

Lessons with German teachers	<p>The lessons showed us how German students were being taught and we were therefore able to compare their educational system with ours. Especially, the English lesson helped us come closer with the rest of the Comenius students as we were to answer personal questions and teach some expressions in our language to them. Furthermore, geography with Mrs Boeselager guided us into different countries of Europe and helped us learn some important things about their traditions and their geographical regions.</p>	<p>No Italian students</p>	<p>Teachers are the same everywhere but it was nice to see how a class is held in Germany.</p>	<p>They were quite interesting. We could listen to the language which we learn at school so we learned something. The English lesson was really nice, we had a chance to get to know each other better and learn other languages. It was too short.</p>
Writing texts about the project	<p>That part of Comenius was not that efficient as it was supposed to be.</p>		<p>This was a time when we had the opportunity to realize how much we did during those wonderful days.</p>	<p>It was a little bit boring and it wasn't the best point of the programme, but necessary for school websites.</p>
Acting workshop with Julius D'Silver	<p>The acting with Julius encouraged us to express ourselves, to communicate through theatre and after all it taught us about Shakespeare's writing and novels and about some essential details about acting. Obviously, it was the most interesting experience of Comenius and the best part of it.</p>	<p>Excellent opportunity, so it is a pity that Italian sts were not there</p>	<p>4 hours passed away like 4 minutes! It was amazing!!!</p>	<p>Excellent! The best activity in the whole programme. That workshop was really great, different than other workshops we had taken part in.</p>
Trip to Paderborn/ Theatre visit	<p>In the theatre we saw how a theatrical play is being built step by step , a thing that we have never seen before, and we learned that every single person in theatre is vital to the whole play. In Paderborn, because of not having much time, we were only able to have some fun with our new friends.</p>	<p>Very interesting</p>	<p>It was nice to see that German people put so much effort in keeping their culture alive and made me to want to act on their stage someday. The trip was very well organized.</p>	<p>It was excellent, the theatre was beautiful. But the trip was a little bit too short.</p>

Trip to Bonn and Cologne	The House of Germany History was totally different from our museums and through that type of interactive game we learned about German history quickly and in an interesting way. As for the Chocolate museum, in which we had some great moments with chocolate, we could say that through a tour with a very interesting guide we learned facts about chocolate. In Cologne, we saw a breathtaking Cathedral which is called Dom. That trip was a pleasure break of the demanding Comenius programme.	A bit too long in just one day, but anyway very interesting	That day we had fun learning some German History and we were full of energy thanks to the Chocolate Museum!	It was great and interesting. We had a lot of fun together.
Leisure activities (warm up games, free time with hosts)	It was very clever that games were scheduled for the first meeting of Comenius as we were able to get to know each other from the first time we had together. The free time we had to spend with our hosts was really in need since we could come closer, talk about our lives and eventually adopt some of their habits.		In the free time we found out more about the German's way of life and had some precious time with our hosts, memories that will always stay with us.	That was the best time. We had a chance to know each other better. Too little time for warm up games and leisure activities.
Hotel Kaup		Good, but too distant from the school	There was a familiar atmosphere; breakfast was great and we had the opportunity to socialize more as we were staying in the same hotel.	Very nice and cosy but a little bit expensive. The transport from and to the hotel was perfectly arranged.
German hosts	All of the host families were excellent and they managed to make us feel like our houses and adjust to their lifestyles. In the houses, we learned about their daily life, their traditional food and somehow the way they think.		Warm people that knew how to make us feel like home and that will welcome us anytime to come back to Germany.	The best! They were really nice, helpful and involved in this project. It was easy to communicate with them.

<p>Communication and cooperation</p>	<p>As we said before, we worked together efficiently. Our communication and cooperation were excellent. Either way, it proves that we came closer and we made some very good friendships which was from the beginning the purpose of the Comenius project.</p>	<p>Excellent</p>	<p>Thanks to the “Get To Know Each Other Games” we were able to feel comfortable with our new friends since the first day, so cooperation and communication weren’t a problem.</p>	<p>It was excellent. Everybody was nice and everybody likes one another.</p>
<p>To change in the next project meeting</p>		<p>Accommodation not too far from the school</p>	<p>Maybe fewer activities and more free time for shopping and visiting new places...</p>	<p>1. Comenius students should have warm meals more often - maybe at school because we came back home late. 2. More free time to spend with hosts and families. 3. More warm up activities during the first day – this time there were too many breaks/too much free time.</p>