



Education and Culture DG

'Europe for Citizens' Programme

National Conference of CITIES project

Bratislava, 12th November 2010

Location: Conference room –Zichy Palace, Venturska 9

Creativity and Innovation in Town-twinning Initiatives in Europe and South-eastern Europe

Agenda

Promotion of EU Active Citizenship Programme, history and the concept of Europe wide town-twinning initiatives, with a focus on revitalisation and developing of town-twinning relationships and strengthening cooperation with the Universities in the Regions

- 10h00: **Opening words:**
Marian Minarovic, Secretary General, The Union of Towns and Cities of Slovakia
Bratislava City Council representative
- 10h30: Presentation of the CITIES project in the frame of Europe for Citizens programme/town-twinning component – Aline Schwoob, Lead Partner and ALDA co-ordinator
Questions from the participants
- 11h00: Thematic workshop 1:
Developing thematic co-operation and twinning potentials of the European and Slovak municipalities:
Moderator – Marian Minarovic, The Union of Towns and Cities of Slovakia
- Presentations:
Bratislava City Council representative
Kosice City Council representative
Discussion
- 12h00: Coffee break



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12h30: Thematic workshop 2:

Twinning programmes through exchange of good local practice –

Moderator – Natalia Shovkopljas, The Union of Towns and Cities of Slovakia

Presentations:

Pezinok municipality – Bilateral Co-operation in the frame of Small Carpathian wine rout tourism development

Kremnica municipality – Bilateral Co-operation focus on active citizenship potential development

Trnava - Bilateral Co-operation in the frame of culture tourism development

Discussion

14h00: Lunch break – Zichy restaurant

14h45: Thematic workshop 3:

Developing an innovative tool for European wide twinning initiatives:

Moderator – Marian Minarovic, The Union of Towns and Cities of Slovakia

Presentations:

Bilsko-Biala City Foundation Development, Poland – Bilateral cooperation focus on the public space revitalisation. CITY FOR TOMORROW as an Innovative tool for European wide twinning initiatives

Slovak Technical University / or VSMVS representative – The Importance of Universities in the Regions – *to be confirmed*

16h00 Conclusion of workshops

16h30 End of the International Conference

Program - off:

17h00 - 18h30: Meeting in Hotel Lobby,
Group visit of Bratislava old-city for international group

19h30: Dinner for the international group