

EVENT DESCRIPTION SHEET

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PROJECT	
Participant:	Federação de Associações Juvenis do Distrito de Braga (FAJUB)
PIC number:	929027880
Project name and acronym:	[FutureUp: Young players building the future of Europe] — [FreeEurope]

EVENT DESCRIPTION	
Event number:	WP3
Event name:	Identifying violations of the freedom of thought and worship, hostility and discriminatory behaviour
Type:	Series of events: conference, round-table discussion and workshop
In situ/online:	In-situ
Location:	Braga, Portugal
Date(s):	9-10 August, 2023
Website(s) (if any):	http://futureupeurope.eu/
Participants	
Female:	26
Male:	24
Non-binary:	0
From country 1 [Spain]:	4
From country 2 [Greece]:	2
From country 3 [Italy]:	2
From country 4 [Netherlands]:	2
From country 5 [Portugal]:	34
From country 6 [Romania]:	2
From country 7 [Slovenia]:	2
From country 8 [Malta]:	2

Total number of participants:	50	From total number of countries:	8
Description			
<i>Provide a short description of the event and its activities.</i>			
<p>Day 1: Exploring Awareness - Identifying Violence on Freedom of Thought and Worship</p> <p>The first day began with a thought-provoking conference titled "Awareness: Identifying Violence on Freedom of Thought and Worship," held at the Seminário Nossa Senhora da Conceição in Braga. The conference featured two distinguished speakers who shared their insights and experiences with a captivated audience.</p> <p>Susana Vilas Boas, a prominent university professor with a PhD in theology, took the stage as the first speaker. She delved into the complexities of freedom of thought and worship within the context of various faith traditions. Boas' eloquent discourse encouraged attendees to explore the significance of respecting and protecting the diversity of beliefs and perspectives.</p> <p>Alberto Gonçalves, the esteemed coordinator of the youth group of Taizé, followed with an engaging presentation. He drew upon his experiences working with young people in the ecumenical community to discuss the role of dialogue in bridging divides and promoting unity among diverse religious communities.</p> <p>The conference sessions sparked lively discussions among participants, encouraging them to examine the challenges and opportunities surrounding religious freedom in today's world. The diverse backgrounds of the participants enriched these conversations, offering a multifaceted perspective on the issues discussed.</p> <p>Following the intellectually stimulating conference, participants embarked on a visit to the renowned Bom Jesus and Sameiro shrines. These visits provided an opportunity for contemplation and spiritual connection against the backdrop of Braga's historical and architectural treasures.</p> <p>Day 2: Exploring Unity - A Journey through Faith and Heritage</p> <p>On the second day, the focus shifted to exploring the rich heritage of Porto, a city renowned for its historical significance and cultural diversity. Participants engaged in a series of visits that highlighted the multifaceted tapestry of faith and heritage.</p> <p>The day commenced with a visit to Porto's Jewish Center and Museum, a testament to the city's historical Jewish community. Through guided tours and interactive exhibits, participants gained insights into the history, traditions, and challenges faced by this community.</p> <p>The exploration continued with a visit to the Ecumenic Center, a hub for interfaith dialogue and collaboration. Here, participants engaged in discussions on the importance of fostering understanding and cooperation among diverse religious groups.</p> <p>The event concluded with a sense of accomplishment and unity, as participants departed with new friendships, enriched perspectives, and a strengthened commitment to promoting tolerance, dialogue, and unity in their respective communities.</p> <p>The event, hosted by the FAJUB, showcased the power of cross-cultural engagement and collaboration in addressing challenges related to faith and freedom of thought. It served as a reminder that by coming together, acknowledging differences, and fostering understanding, individuals can contribute to a more harmonious and inclusive society for all.</p>			

HISTORY OF CHANGES		
VERSION	PUBLICATION DATE	CHANGE
1.0	26.04.2022	Initial version (new MFF).