

## The fourth international work meeting – Adiyaman - Turkey

From the 16<sup>th</sup> to the 19<sup>th</sup> of September 2010, held the fourth gathering of the project, which was held in Adiyaman, Turkey- at the Adiyaman Cultural and Educational Center.

The project "Art for sustainable action projects" was financed through the "Learning Throughout Life" program, Grundtvig- Partnerships for learning 2009. The goal of this project is to develop new methods for promoting the concept of sustainable development using artistic instruments. The focus groups of this project are the local communities of the 5 project partners as well as disadvantaged groups, such as women, elderly people, emigrants, unemployed and so on.

The meeting in Adiyaman was attended by 28 representatives of the project partners and 15 women from the focus group of the host partners. The meeting agenda contained both organizational activities as well as activities that stimulated the creativity of the participants, helping them communicate and collaborate better, given the fact that the 50 participants came from different countries, had different backgrounds and cultures.

Some of the main activities were:

- A presentation of past activities of each project partner, especially the activities undergone since the last meeting in Craiova, Romania.
- Taking part at a Turkish popular art exposition, where most of the objects were created by the women members of the Turkish organization. The purpose of this activity was to get to know better the 15 women in the focus group of the Turkish organization, understand the messages sent by this group, help all partners form stronger relations and last but not least understand the great value of the products created by these women, that were true works of art
- Taking part at a culinary exposition made possible by the women in the focus group as well as other women volunteers. This activity made it possible for us to get to know better our Turkish partners, to know more about Turkish cuisine and it strengthened the relationships between partners, which lead to discussions about future collaborations.

During the two works days we also attended meetings with officials of the Adiyaman City Hall and the local governor of this city, where every participant had the opportunity to talk about his/ her organization and the activities they undergo. Three local television stations also attended the meeting with the local governor.

The meeting in Turkey also made it possible for all partners to visit the most important tourist sites, such as Mount Nemrut, the Tumulus monument, the ancient city of Pere, the Kahta castel, the Cendere bridge and of course the Adiyaman city.

The last day of the meeting focused on clarifying a series of aspects regarding future meetings of the project, as it follows:

- Setting the dates for the next two meetings in France and Holland and analyzing the organizational details of these meetings;
- Setting a timetable for creating a web site that contains information about each partner and their activities; uploading a maximum of five photos from each meeting;
- Agreeing on the fact that the next meetings will also have interactive presentations of activities undergone since the last meeting;
- Each participant will receive a document that attests to his/ her participation to the

meetings that have taken place during the project;

- It was decided that the handbook, whose content was discussed in Romania, will be an e-book because of the lack of funds;
- The Turkish team will make the CD cover and present it at the next meeting in France;
- The e-book will contain several photos taken during the meetings and their description.







