

Visualising the past through graphic novels. Prompting local involvement for Holocaust remembrance in Romania

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WORK PACKAGE 10 – Vernissage of the graphic novel exhibition for Sibiu County**D10.1 Vernissage of the exhibition in Sibiu**

The objectives of this work package as stated in the Grant Agreement were:

1. To raise awareness among the general public in Sibiu in regard to the fate of local Jews and Roma during the Holocaust.
2. To make visible for the general public, the dangers that prejudice, dehumanization and intolerance have for fueling crimes against humanity.

To achieve these goals the research team developed three distinct activities:

1. Guiding the high school students in the creation of the scenario for the two panels reserved for them.
2. Selection of the space designed for the exhibition and administrative work with the local administration.
3. The organization of the vernissage of the graphic novel exhibition for Sibiu county.

Task 10.1. – The design of the panels 7-8 for Sibiu exhibition

The last two panels were designed after the students delivered their scenario. To support the students during this process, after the workshop (see D10.1), the research team organized a Zoom meeting with the target group and provided solutions via email whenever the students or their coordinating teacher requested it. Both panels worked by the students address the story of tell the story of the Roma community deported in Transnistria from Copșa Mică. As in the case of the first six panels of the exhibition for Sibiu county, the graphic design was subcontracted to a third party. It is important to mention that six of the eight panels for Sibiu county were dedicated to the deportation of the Roma communities and their experience in Transnistria.

.Task 10.2. - Vernissage of the graphic novel exhibition in Sibiu

The exhibition was opened on November 25 on Albert Huet Square, a busy area of the city of Sibiu, and will be on display until 24 January 2024. As the graphic novel panels are exhibited outdoor, in the central zone of the city, the general public has free and easy access to these stories of the recent past.

For the vernissage, invitations were sent to various social actors, NGOs, educational and cultural organizations, administrative institutions. To acknowledge their contribution to the project, each student participating to the project was mentioned by name on the final panel of the exhibition and was awarded a diploma during the event.

We had very good responses from both the students and the teachers involved in the project. We think that the idea of effectively involving the target groups in the creation of the final product increased their interest and willingness to participate. As the project progressed, the teachers and students acted both as beneficiaries of the provided tools and as multipliers, this active role reinforced their commitment to the project.

Online, the exhibition was made available to the public at the following link:

<https://www.inshr-ew.ro/portfolio-item/imagini-din-trecut-holocaustul-din-sibiu/>

The link to the EC survey was provided to participants.

The event was presented on the social media channels of both partners:

- INSHR-EW:

<https://www.facebook.com/photo/?fbid=940079534345997&set=a.592310045789616>
<https://bit.ly/3t0FeYD>
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