

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

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Abstract	The document outlines the structure, content and results of the vernissage organised in Tg. Jiu, Gorj county

**WORK PACKAGE 12** – Vernissage of the graphic novel exhibition for Gorj county**D12.1 Vernissage of the exhibition in Tg. Jiu, Gorj county**

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

1. To raise awareness among the general public in Tg. Jiu 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 Gorj county.

**Task 6.1.** – The design of the panels 7-8 for Tg. Jiu (Gorj) exhibition

The last two panels were designed after the students delivered their scenario. To support the students during this process, after the workshop (see D11.1), 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 on by the students address the deportation of the Roma communities from Gorj county to Transnistria in the autumn of 1942. The research team provided the students several oral history interviews with Roma survivors of the Holocaust in Transnistria. As in the case of the first six panels of the exhibition for Gorj county, the graphic design was subcontracted to a third party.

**.Task 6.2.** - Vernissage of the graphic novel exhibition in Tg. Jiu

The exhibition was opened on November 23 on the Prefecture Square, a busy area of the city of Tg. Jiu, and will be on display until January 22, 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. Representatives of the local authorities attended the event. 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-gorj/>

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/media/set/?set=a.941296684224282&type=3>

<https://bit.ly/3sNRhZo>

<https://bit.ly/47V4ezq>

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