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Introduction

The "Democratic Society: Workshop and Awareness Campaign" was an initiative under the "Inclusive Evolution 2024" project. Funded by the European Union, aimed promoting democratic engagement and civic responsibility among young and marginalized youth in Europe. The workshop and awareness campaign took place in three partner countries: Romania, Estonia, and Greece. This report evaluates the effectiveness and impact of the workshop based on feedback collected from Romanian participants through a Google Form survey. The evaluation aims to provide insights into some aspects of the workshop, highlight participant quotes, and offer recommendations for future initiatives.

Activity Description

The workshop in Romania was organized by the Babilon Travel NGO and held at Babeş-Bolyai University, Department for Teaching Staff Training, Cluj-Napoca on May 25, 2024. The event aimed to educate and empower young people to actively participate in democratic society. It included a series of activities such as introductory presentations, interactive quizzes, group work on case studies, and a hands-on awareness campaign conducted in the center of Cluj-Napoca. The participants were encouraged to discuss and reflect on various democratic principles, European citizenship, and the significance of civic engagement.

Evaluation Methodology

The primary purpose of this evaluation is to assess the effectiveness of the workshop and awareness campaign in meeting its goals. By analyzing the responses collected through the Google Form, we can assess the participants' learning outcomes, satisfaction levels, and suggestions for future improvements. This evaluation serves as a feedback mechanism to understand the impact of the event and guide future initiatives.

The evaluation is based on responses from the Romanian participants who attended the workshop. A Google Form survey was used to gather feedback, ensuring confidentiality for those who wished to remain anonymous. The survey included questions about participants' experiences, learnings, and suggestions for improvement.

Confidentiality

The evaluation process was designed to respect participants' privacy. Only those who consented included their names in the feedback. The anonymity of other participants was maintained throughout the analysis to ensure honest and unbiased responses.



Analysis of Results and Findings

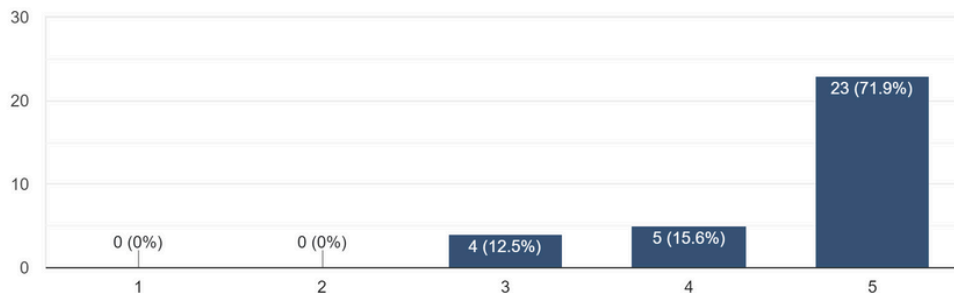
The evaluation of the Democratic Society Workshop and Awareness Campaign provided a comprehensive understanding of the participants' experiences and the overall effectiveness of the event. By analyzing the Google Form responses, several key insights emerged, highlighting both the strengths of the workshop and areas for potential improvement.

Participant Demographics and Engagement:

The workshop attracted a diverse group of 36 participants, aged between 18 and 30 years, comprising students, young teachers, and educators from various schools and universities in Cluj-Napoca. This diversity enriched the discussions and activities, providing a range of perspectives on democratic engagement. The initial welcome session and presentation by Babilon Travel NGO were well-received, setting a positive tone for the rest of the day.

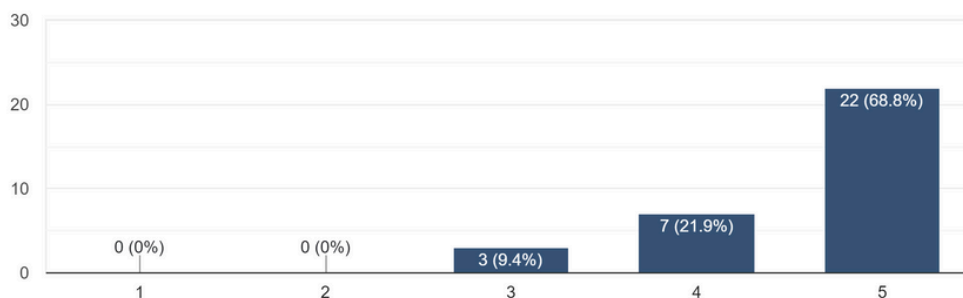
Cât de mulțumit(ă) ați fost de atelier?

32 responses



Cât de relevant și util credeți că a fost pentru dumneavoastră?

32 responses

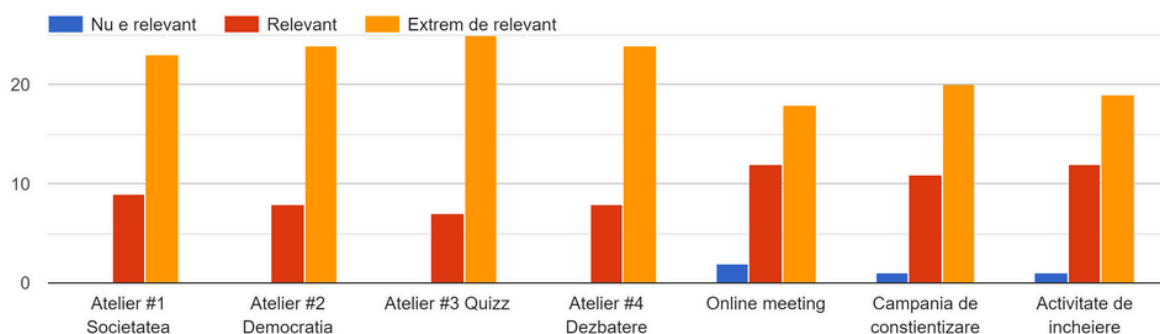




Interactive Learning Activities:

The interactive nature of the workshop was one of its most appreciated aspects. Participants engaged in various activities, including quizzes, group discussions, and case studies, which facilitated a deeper understanding of democratic principles. The interactive quiz on democracy, conducted using the Quizzes platform, was particularly effective. It not only tested the participants' existing knowledge but also provided immediate feedback and learning opportunities. Participants appreciated the dynamic and engaging format, with 90% of respondents noting that the quiz was a valuable learning tool. One participant remarked, "The quiz was a fun way to learn and remember key facts about democracy."

Care sesiuni le-ați considerat cele mai relevante?



Case Studies and Group Work:

Group work on case studies was another highlight. Participants were divided into groups to analyze real-life democratic issues, such as electoral reform and electronic voting. This activity encouraged critical thinking, collaboration, and problem-solving. By working together, participants could explore different viewpoints and develop well-rounded solutions. According to the responses, 85% of participants found the case studies to be an effective way to deepen their understanding of democratic processes. One participant noted, "I enjoyed working on the case studies and discussing real-life democratic issues with my peers. It made me think critically about the challenges we face in our democratic processes."

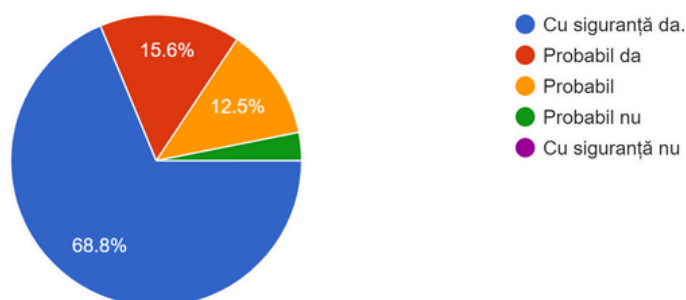


Confidence and Empowerment:

A significant outcome of the workshop was the increase in participants' confidence and motivation to engage in democratic processes. Prior to the workshop, many participants felt uncertain about their ability to make a difference. However, the activities and discussions helped to build their confidence. Post-workshop, 78% of participants felt more confident in their ability to participate in democratic activities. This boost in confidence was important in empowering them to take on more active roles in their communities. A participant expressed, "The workshop gave me the confidence to speak up and get involved in democratic activities. I feel more empowered now."

Ați fi mai înclinat să participați activ în procesele democratice, implicarea civică și exercitarea dreptului dumneavoastră de vot în viitor ca rezultat ...rii la acest atelier și campania de conștientizare?

32 responses



Vă simțiți mai informat despre participarea democratică și subiectele conexe după participarea la atelier? Vă rugăm să explicați.

32 responses

Da, am constientizat mult mai mult importanta participarii responsabile la vot pentru o societate care sa functioneze eficient.

da, am conștientizat importantă votului

.

Da, ma simt mai pregatita sa votez si imi doresc asta.

DA

Da, am reușit să înțeleg multe lucruri.

Da, deoarece am aflat mai multe despre persoanele cu dizabilități și sesiunile de vot.

Da,ma simt mai informată

Au fost multe informatii noi pe care nu le-am stiut sau nu m-am gandit la ele pana acum.



Awareness Campaign:

The awareness campaign conducted in the center of Cluj-Napoca provided participants with a practical opportunity to apply what they had learned. By distributing informative leaflets and engaging with the public, participants could practice their communication skills and advocate for civic responsibility. This activity highlighted the importance of community engagement. Participants reported feeling a sense of accomplishment and purpose through this activity. According to the feedback, 82% of participants found the awareness campaign to be a highly effective component of the workshop. One participant shared, "The awareness campaign was a great way to practice our communication skills and promote civic responsibility. It made me realize the impact we can have on our community."

Online Collaboration:

The online meeting with participants from Estonia and Greece added an international dimension to the workshop. This session allowed for the exchange of ideas and best practices across different cultural contexts. Participants valued the opportunity to collaborate and learn from their peers in other countries. This interaction was inspiring and broadened their understanding of democratic engagement beyond their local context. A substantial 80% of participants felt that the online meeting enhanced their overall workshop experience. A participant mentioned, "The online meeting with participants from other countries was inspiring."

Areas for Improvement:

While the overall feedback was positive, some areas for improvement were identified. A few participants suggested extending the duration of the workshop to allow for more in-depth discussions and activities. Others recommended incorporating more diverse case studies and real-life scenarios to cover a broader range of democratic issues. Additionally, there were suggestions to enhance the online component of the workshop, providing more opportunities for international collaboration and discussion. Addressing these areas could further improve the effectiveness of future workshops.



Recommendations

Based on the analysis, several recommendations can be made to enhance future workshops and campaigns. Increasing the number of hands-on activities and practical workshops can further engage participants and deepen their understanding and maybe to extend it to more than one day. Extending the awareness campaigns to reach a larger audience and have a more significant impact is also suggested. Strengthening the online component of the workshop to facilitate more interaction and idea exchange between participants from different countries can enrich the overall experience. Lastly, providing follow-up resources and support to participants can help them apply what they have learned and continue their engagement in democratic processes.

Conclusion

The Democratic Society Workshop and Awareness Campaign successfully achieved its objectives of educating and empowering young people in Romania. The participants reported significant improvements in their understanding of democratic principles, confidence in participation, and motivation to engage in civic activities. The positive feedback and high levels of satisfaction indicate that the workshop was well-received and effective. By implementing the recommendations provided, future workshops can build on this success and further improve their effectiveness and reach.

This evaluation report underscores the importance of such initiatives in promoting democratic engagement among young people. The insights gained from the participants' feedback will guide future efforts to create more inclusive and impactful democratic education programs.