

## ERASMUS+ FULL STEAM AHEAD





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Del 26 de marzo al 2 de abril dos profesoras, Carmen Leonés y Raquel Álvarez, junto a tres alumnos de 1º Bach.-A, Aly El Bachir, Paula Suárez y José María Jiménez, participaron en la movilidad a Žilina (Eslovaquia) enmarcada dentro del proyecto *Erasmus+ Full Steam Ahead*.

Sukromná stredna odborna skola Pro scholaris es el centro escolar en Žilina (Eslovaquia) donde se realizaron gran parte de las actividades programadas por la delegación eslovaca: diseño de página web, desarrollo de Apps, code breakers, ...

Por otro lado, se realizaron visitas culturales a Bratislava, castillo de Orava o Žilina.

Sin duda, esta movilidad quedará por mucho tiempo grabada en la retina y corazones de los alumnos de los cinco países participantes (Eslovaquia, Grecia, Polonia, Estonia y España), pues no deja de ser enriquecedora y valiosa para el crecimiento de todos ellos.

A continuación podéis leer las opiniones que reflejan el sentir sobre la experiencia de estos tres alumnos:

A trip to Slovakia, By Aly El Bachir Yara For me, this

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been unforgettable, since we have learned many things about living with other people and exploring things never seen before, and of course to improve my level of English

The first day, we were in the presentation of the project, and we were surprised with some skills of Slovak students, honestly it was spectacular. Afterwards, we went to a bar for lunch and then we played a group game around the city of Zilina. We ended up very tired and had some free time.

The second day was a bit special because we went to visit the University of Zilina, where we learned to program 3D games, and several applications. The thing is that it was good, then we had free time and we had a "furbito".

The third day, We were at school where we learned something else. We learned to program and modify web pages. I liked that because I felt important that this page was made by me. Afterwards, we had free time and could rest.

The next day, we went to Bratislava, the capital city of Slovakia, where we saw a lot of monuments of value, also we have had an entertaining talk. We had lunch and went back to Zilina

The next day, we also learned to assemble a robot made up of many parts. The truth is that it cost us a lot to assemble it, but in the end it was impressive and we could handle it by mobile, we also took some photos of it. Afterwards, we went to play the Laser game which was entertaining and we had a good time, and we went home.

The last day before the departure, we visited the Orava Castle. It is a spectacular building that contains more than 500 stairs. We saw very interesting historical things inside this castle and we took a lot of photos. Then, we went back to Zilina and had our farewell party.

The last day, we said goodbye to Zilina, and we went to Krakow to take the plane back to Seville. It was a spectacular experience!

## An unforgattable experience, By Paula Suárez Suárez

When I was in 3rd grade of secondary education, I was given the opportunity to go abroad for a week with several classmates. I was very excited and when there was a week left to go they declared a global pandemic, I thought I would not be able to go again but I found myself surprised to go this 2022 in March.

Before reaching Slovakia, our plane stopped in Krakow, an impressive city where we spent one night. The next day, a bus with Polish people picked us up to reach our final destination.

As soon as we saw the Polish people our adventure began. We spent the whole way talking to them and from that moment we started to be a family.

The first day of school was magnificent, we began little by little to get to know each other and to form our friendships. That same afternoon we all went to see the city which was beautiful.

We spent two more days at school doing different





programming, one of which was programming a lego robot. The rest of the days we went to visit the city of Bratislava, the Zilina university of technology and the best trip of all was to Orava.

Orava, is a small village where one of the largest medieval castles is located. The castle was impressive and it was even more so because it was snowing and everything was white, it seemed that we were in a fairy

tale. I will never forget that day as it is one of the most beautiful things I have ever experienced.

On the other hand, the life of teenagers in Slovakia is very similar to ours, in our spare time we usually go out to bars, go to parties and go to parks.

In all the places we all felt at home since we were all the time talking, laughing and helping each other when we needed it.

This experience has changed me a bit since it has helped me

to lose the shame of speaking in another language, to meet new people and to adapt to other cultures. I would repeat this experience a thousand times more and I will always carry the people who have shared it with me in my heart.

## Trip to Slovakia, By José María Jiménez Aguilera

The Erasmus+ trip to Slovakia was, without any doubt, a wonderful experience which Aly, Paula and I have been able to live and witness. This trip enabled us to discover, to some extent, a new culture completely different from ours and to meet foreign people aged the same as us.

Since we arrived to Žilina, we immediately noticed that there was a vast difference between our culture and theirs. Surprisingly for us, we were told by our hosts to take off our shoes before going into their flat and to leave them next to the door of entrance. What's more, we were also amazed to see how the bathtubs didn't have any sort of coverage to prevent water from falling to the floor, as Slovakians are accustomed to have showers without spilling water.

Eating habits in Slovakia were totally different from our habits in Spain. Paula, Aly and I were absolutely shocked when our hosts suggested to have lunch at 11.30!

Although we finally got used to this, the first days we found ourselves unable to eat as much food as we needed not to have the necessity of eating again until 7 or 8 pm, when we had dinner. I would highlight their tradition to eat pizza with corn – every single pizza had corn on it and, as I'm not a big fan of putting corn into pizzas, I had to struggle to find one without corn!

Regarding the foreign students we met, all I've got to say is that I'm wholeheartedly thankful for meeting every single person we were able to meet. I found everyone kind and talkative, and the fact that we didn't spend much time doing projects at their school but going out together made me be closer to everyone. I really enjoyed myself when I was having time with them.

Nonetheless, we also had time for school projects and trips: we built a Lego car which moved by itself, we worked with websites that other students had created... In what refers to trips, we were able to visit Bratislava, a lively, modern city, and the Orava Castle, an ancient castle situated in a mountain. During this trip, we witnessed how it snowed. This made the landscape even more beautiful—I've got to admit, though, that Paula, Aly and I found ourselves in trouble trying to deal with the cold temperatures outside the castle!

To conclude, I would like to express my satisfaction not only with the trip itself but with the people in the Erasmus+. I feel like my host, Jakub, and his family, made a huge effort to treat me as good as they could, and they undoubtedly fulfilled their aim. I had fun with everyone and I miss every single person I met in Slovakia. I would also like to highlight how thankful I am for having shared this trip with my classmates Aly and Paula: it was fantastic to be

close to them during the trip and thanks to this experience I have become closer to both. I won't forget to mention the teachers Raquel and Carmen: although students and teachers didn't see each other frequently during the trip, I enjoyed every single moment of the trip I shared with them. In few words, I couldn't be happier with the experience I lived, and I would definitely take part in a new Erasmus+ project if possible -having half of the fun I had during this trip would be an absolute success!



