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European days of local solidarity

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Since 2016 in cooperation with Latvian local governments we organize European days of local solidarity. The goal of these days is to improve awareness of development cooperation and development education issues in citizens, focusing on cooperation with Eastern partnership countries. We focus mostly on Georgia, Moldova and the Ukraine.

During the European days of local solidarity, a number of Latvian local governments that have cooperation partners in the Eastern partnership countries, welcome research visits from representatives of local governments, organize creative activities and discussions for local citizens, letting both sides learn about the interests, culture and values of Latvia and Eastern partnership countries. Every year the local governments enthusiastically also organize drawing contests for children on the topic of development cooperation.

Many Latvian local governments take part in the activities: Ādaži, Bauska, Engure, Jaunpils, Līvāni, Pārgauja, Skrunda and Preiļi district, Jūrmala city and Vidzeme planning region. From the Eastern partnership countries, representatives from *Imereti* region, *Khashuri* and *Dusheti* local governments (Georgia), *Andrusul de Jos*, *Radeni* and *Festelita* local governments (Moldova), *Kamianets-Podilskyi* district, *Kosiva*, *Brovary* and *Nizhyn* city (Ukraine) take part.

These activities are part of a larger international project “Working together for providing opportunities to local and regional governments for promoting development in EU partner countries”.





European days of local solidarity in Pārgauja district 19.11.2019. Drawing contest for students "Moldova as seen by us".

“ Projects like these always allow us to look at our resources and possibilities to involve and raise interest in people. This gives citizens trust in their strengths, because they must show their capabilities and work to others. It also gave the opportunity for our partners from Moldova to come visit us and see how we work in Jaunpils. This helps develop new ideas on how to develop our cooperation. By broad guidelines everything happens the same way as everywhere else, supplemented by local traditions and performance of each individual. It is nice to find similarities and establish differences. That is how we enrich each other!

— Chairperson of Jaunpils district council LIGITA GINTERE



European days of local solidarity in Preiļi district 15.-20.11.2019. Drawing contest for students in Preiļi district and Nizhyn city (Ukraine) "Hand in hand among friends".



European days of local solidarity in Jaunpils district 13.-18.11.2017. Preparation of the game "Latvija – Moldova" together with representatives of the local governments of Jaunpils district and Moldova.

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