

### Občianske združenie Milvus

## **Town Twinning Project**

# 2.1 Europe for Citizens Program

Project title: "Jewish, Hungarian and Slovak fates 1938 - 2017"

#### **Description in English:**

One of the highlighted parts of the "Europe 1938-2017" program will be the forgotten history of the Jews in Slovakia, in respect of the 2nd World War that ended 72 years ago and it has some kind of relevance to our local and regional areas. In addition, we will look at the upcoming 2015-2016 migration question on the European continent and both of its positive and negative effects will be discussed. This will be done in the light of solidarity and tolerance.

The main point of the meeting will be the historical presentation, that will discuss the life of the local Jewish community and their interaction with the local citizens. We will then look at how to institutionalize the contacts with the local authorities, and how to present the common regional values within the framework of the event.

#### Synagoga Lucenec – Slovakia, visitation and history

Film Screening: "Shared Europe" exchanging views on the given topics, discussing future cooperation.

Forum with local historians titled: "The Jews in our settlements."

#### 4 Workshop - faiths

Partnership – introducing the activities of specific organizations, which are closely related to the above topic.

Immigrants and the EU – experiences and interfaces

Fugitives, reception and EU policy – interactive discussion on the expected developments and on the existing results.

Joint activities to Brussels - possibilities, good examples from the EU

#### Twin towns presentations

Invited historians accounts of the fate of Jewish settlements in Nógrád region.

Full-day regional festival

Presentations on active European citizenship – involving the public – discussing the participation of active civil society and democracy in local regions in Slovakia, Hungary

#### Cooperation Action Plan for 2017 -2020, the signing ceremony

Eighty-five percent of the attendees will come from non-governmental organizations and will play an active role in various programs of the project. Fifteen percent of the participants will come from the invited delegations, local authorities officials or office staff, experts.