

**EVENT DESCRIPTION SHEET**

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PROJECT	
Project name and acronym:	The Food Club: a European Network for Social Inclusion — TFC
Participant:	COMMUNE DE SAINT-GERMAIN-EN-LAYE - SGL
PIC number:	893839481

EVENT DESCRIPTION	
Event number:	15
Event name:	European food festival in France: Saint Germain-en-Laye
Type:	Festival
In situ/online:	In situ
Location:	France – Saint-Germain-en-Laye
Date(s):	13 May 2023
Website(s) (if any):	<a href="https://www.foodclub.blog/category/results/">https://www.foodclub.blog/category/results/</a> <a href="https://www.saintgermainenlaye.fr/1703/the-food-club.htm">https://www.saintgermainenlaye.fr/1703/the-food-club.htm</a>
Participants	
Female:	2000
Male:	2000
Non-binary:	Not declared
From country 1 [France]:	3988
From country 2 [Spain]:	2
From country 3 [Romania]:	4
From country 4 [Czech Republic]:	2
From country 5 [Italy]:	4
Total number of participants:	4000
From total number of countries:	5
Description	
<i>Provide a short description of the event and its activities.</i>	

The European festival of St Germain en Laye is now institutionalized annually in the activities carried out by the city. For this 17th edition and in connection with The Food Club program, it was envisaged as part of this event, to involve the various stakeholders in the European market on the notion of food and sharing as a vector of solidarity. Specifically, the target groups of this event included local organizations participating in the event and in the organized discussions, representatives of partner municipalities (traveling delegations) and citizens of SGL including foreigners/people with different cultural backgrounds. People from all over Europe gathered in one of the main squares of the city to participate in this food festival, getting in touch with the messages of TFC and participating in the process of sharing food and discovering its great social potential.

This led to a visit to the European market by the delegations on this theme where it was noted that the various European countries present had highlighted the diversity of the specific products of the countries represented.

The European market is about 4,000 to 5,000 people who are aware of Europe and its variations. This event therefore made it possible to place particular emphasis on the possible exchanges between countries, to compare the different approaches to the inclusion of multicultural populations, where indeed, the heritage brought by the angle of food very quickly becomes a key to entry into the debates on these sensitive subjects.

After this visit, the delegations were invited to meet with local merchants, including the GIBERT JEUNE bookstore which, for the event, put forward collections of recipe books, particularly from European countries, with discussions with the Director.

The organization of the European market from this angle complements the more specific approach at the level of the most popular neighbourhoods by opening up the issue of food and inclusion to the whole of the city and neighbouring towns.

The city of St Germain en Laye of 48,000 inhabitants has a large international population and a large student population of around 20.000, which allows for strong awareness.

Still in the spirit of the project, delegations were offered a Creole breakfast which aimed to show that France also included DOMs and TOMs, by also opening the discussion on the inclusion of different cultural strains in the same territory.

A restitution session took place at the end of the day between the various delegations at the Maison de l'Europe in Yvelines, a point of identification for European actions.

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1.0	10/07/2023	Initial version (new MFF).