

EVENT DESCRIPTION SHEET

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PROJECT	
Participant:	[1] – JOHVI VALD (JÕHVI VALD)
PIC number:	876509364
Project name and acronym:	The strengthening of friendship and cooperation between the twin towns of Jõhvi and Olecko — JOTT

EVENT DESCRIPTION			
Event number:	1		
Event name:	Jõhvi Municipality Days		
Type:	Workshop, cultural event,		
In situ/online:	[in-situ]		
Location:	ESTONIA, Jõhvi parish		
Date(s):	5-8 of June 2025		
Website(s) (if any):	<a href="#">The strengthening of friendship and cooperation between the twin towns of Jõhvi and Olecko (JOTT) - Eesti ja EL rahastatud projektid - Jõhvi vallavalitsus</a>		
Participants			
Female:	47		
Male:	53		
Non-binary:			
From country 1 [Estonia]:	42		
From country 2 [Poland]:	58		
Total number of participants:	100	From total number of countries:	2
Description			
Provide a short description of the event and its activities.			
The first meeting of sister cities Jõhvi and Olecko took place from 5 to 8 June 2025 in Jõhvi, Estonia, bringing together 100 participants, including 47 women and 53 men. The full program was successfully implemented, offering a rich combination of cultural exchange, youth involvement, civic dialogue, and community celebration.			

The visit began with a guided introduction to Jõhvi's municipal and educational institutions, including the town government, concert hall, basic school, and the Kood/Jõhvi programming school, giving the Polish delegation a comprehensive view of local life and development. Parallel workshops and recreational opportunities were provided for participants at the accommodation site.

One of the central moments was the Hackathon at Tammiku community center, where young participants from both towns developed ideas to strengthen youth participation and cross-border cooperation. This was followed by a cultural evening and LooeÕÕ, a vibrant open-air event at Jõhvi Art School, featuring music, performances, a local fair, and a Polish cultural tent that presented Olecko's handicrafts and traditions.

On 7 June, a friendly football tournament created a space for informal interaction, followed by the Jõhvi Community Day at the central park and music square. The Polish delegation contributed with approximately 1.5 hours of cultural performances, including traditional songs and dances, which were warmly received by the local audience. The day ended with a communal dinner and social evening.

The main achievements of the event include the renewed and strengthened partnership between Jõhvi and Olecko, meaningful youth and cultural engagement, increased visibility of European cooperation at the local level, and the establishment of solid foundations for future collaboration and exchange between the two municipalities.