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On behalf of Harghita County Council we are pleased to send you our 5th international newsletter

INSIGHT Project Seminar: The traditional Szekler meat products are saleable

The 7th and in the same time, the last seminar was organized within the INSIGHT Project on 25th of January in Şumuleu Ciuc, at Harghita County Council's Multi Center. The seminar was held about the meat processing and the interested farmers, the representatives of veterinary institutions were present.



Harghita County Council's objective through the INSIGHT project is to inform the county's population and farmers, and by this means to boost the county's agriculture and regional development. Also, during the seminars, the participants were informed about the European agricultural model and discussed the advantages of the Common

Agricultural Policy. Read more...

Negotiation with the Romanian Embassy in Austria regarding traditional Szekler products' promotion and further collaboration possibilities of Harghita County Council

The president of Harghita County Council, Mr. Borboly Csaba negotiated with the Romanian Embassy in Austria on 18th of December 2010 based on the invitation of the Ambassador, Mrs. Silvia Davidoiu. First of all, the president was interested in the possibilities of the traditional Szekler products' promotion in western countries, but also presented Harghita county's main development plans. At the meeting was also discussed the milk procession, their sale opportunity and the alliances needed for the implementation of these aims. Read more...



Sport strategy of Harghita County Council for the period of 2010-2020

Harghita County Council adopted a new sport strategy for the period of 2010-2020. The county council is a public institution whose main objective is to increase the living standard of the population through optimal use of resources. Based on the fact that the population is willing to put effort in the community's benefit, especially if they have the possibility to conduct quality and innovative activities in specialty domains in which they activate, Harghita county's population's welfare is inseparable from their health. Based on European value systems, the most important objective of the state and of authorities is the increase and improvement of living



standard and health status of the population. Sport, as an important part of our everyday life and through its effect of population's education, is the contribution to the development of social processes, having effect in this way over the future of the respective community. Read more...

International Conference on Sustainable Forest Management organized in Harghita County in 11-12 January 2011

In the framework of the RobinWood Plus project was organized an International Conference on sustainable forest management in Harghita county, Romania, on 11-12 January 2011. The invited speaker at



the conference was László Borbély, Minister of Environment and Forests, Romania. Among the participants at the conference were project partners, mayors, president of Harghita County Council, Parliament representative, Secretary of State, Minister and several interested specialists in the theme of the project. The event was opened by Mr. Borboly Csaba, president of Harghita County Council. He emphasized the fact that the main objective of the RobinWood project is useful experience exchange and based on this our region's population has a lot to learn from our partners, because the years before 1989 brought us in a disadvantageous position from forest management point of view, too. Read more...

Agriculture development strategy of Harghita County Council for the period 2010-2020

Harghita County Council adopted the county's Agriculture Development Strategy. Before its adoption several forums organized, were where specialists, farmers, mayors and other interested persons participated in order to develop this strategy, based on county level consultations. The forums' objective were the development of a strategy, that covers the producers' and



farmers' ideas, needs, possibilities and initiatives in order to put the county's agriculture into advantageous position- said Borboly Csaba, president of Harghita County Council. Read more...

The Szekler Historical Flag

The idea of establishing a Szekler historical flag collection came in 2009, after formulating the need for clarifying various aspects concerning the origins of the Szekler symbols through a scientific approach. For this reason, with the support of Harghita County Council, a Szekler Heraldic, Seal and Flag's History Workgroup was established, in which various scientists became involved such as Dr. Pál-Antal Sándor, academist, Zepeczaner Jenő museologist and historian, Szekeres Attila István, heraldist and Ph.d. student in heraldry and also the author of this writing. These members are researching for a long time such questions based on a strong scientific basis and trying to clarify the origins of these symbols. Read more...



Another international project partnership of Harghita County Council: RECULTIVATUR

Harghita County Council is partner in a new South East Europe – Transnational Cooperation Program financed project, called RECULTIVATUR. The main objective of the project is the elaboration of a tool for the inclusion of religious- related cultural values in



the planning and development processes of urban centers, systems of settlements and surrounding rural areas. The project aims to use the religious thematic cultural value within the SEE territories jointly with local assets, human resources, infrastructures and services to develop a religious tourism able to create new job positions and generate additional income. Read more...

Monthly Organized Traditional Szekler Products' Fair

On 19th of February forty-two producers offered homemade products and attracted plenty of buyers at the Traditional Szekler Products' Fair in Miercurea Ciuc, organized at the Administrative palace of Harghita County Council. This was the starting point of a monthly organized event series that will take place from now on. The product range is mostly meat, fruit, pickles, dairy products and also ceramics. Read more...



Simplified procedure in obtaining Hungarian citizenship since 1st of January 2011

Hungarians that live around the world and in the Carpathian Basin formulated several times in the past 20 years the need for a simplified naturalization procedure as an important assistance in maintaining relations with Hungary and for the preservation of their Hungarian identity. So, on 26th of May 2010 the National Assembly of the Hungarian Republic approved with an overwhelming



majority the Amendment of Act LV of 1998 on Hungarian Citizenship and introduced a simplified naturalization procedure. This was based on the principle and "sense of responsibility for the fate of Hungarians living outside its borders" and to "promote and foster their relations with Hungary" (Article 6(3) of the Hungarian Constitution). The procedure starts upon individual requests and the Hungarian authorities will process each application based on a strictly regulated procedure. Still, the procedure is simplified and the administrative steps are widely reduced. Based on these, every non-Hungarian citizen is eligible since 1st of January 2011 for preferential



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