

A project developed during the Qualification Training in Bad Urach by the following partners: Slovenian Third Age University, POUZ, University of Ruse, The association The Writers League Timisoara Banat Branch

Programme Europe for Citizens

There was my factory (MYF)

MYF project is founded on the following:

- (1) Today's Europe was initially built on industrial unity (Schuman's declaration, Coal and Steel Community).
- (2) collective memory provides a basis "from which a group derives awareness of its unity and peculiarity" (Assman, 1995).
- (3) European identity is based on both tangible and intangible values and cultural heritage is a fundamental element of European identity (Copenhagen Summit, October 1973). With regard to these facts and
- (4) the needs of European citizens to construct step by step their common identity the aim of the project is to raise awareness of both tangible and intangible industrial heritage both in local and common European remembrance context.

Partnership will evidence single industrial plants from the post war times in their countries and localities, describe them on the basis of the research of literature, archive documents, old newspaper clips, film clips etc. Partners will approach citizens, former factory workers in order to write down their memories about their factory and different aspects of "their industrial everyday life" (intangible industrial heritage). National events will take place in France, Italy, Slovenia, Croatia, Romania, Bulgaria) on the topic of both researched local and European industrial heritage. A one day final international conference will be staged in Ljubljana presenting the findings of the research done nationally by partner organisations. A project web page in English and partners' languages, a Facebook page will be created, general public and professional public will be invited to post pictures, films and documents concerning single plants or industrial complexes or housing estates. Partners will have four international Skype meetings. The sustainability of the project results will be supported by a published book and their incorporation into partners' basic activities. Dissemination and exploitation of the results will be conducted nationally and on EU level through networks and media.