EVENT DESCRIPTION SHEET

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PROJECT		
Participant:	1 - GLOBSEC (GLOBSEC)	
PIC number:	937638279	
Project name and acronym:	"Towards Democratic and Inclusive Europe: EP Elections and Active Citizens Participation and Contribution"— EUact2	

EVENT DESCRIPTION			
Event number:	2		
Event name:	EUact2 Focus Group 1 SK		
Туре:	Focus Group		
In situ/online:	In Situ		
Location:	Bratislava, Slovakia		
Date(s):	28 February 2023		
Website(s) (if any):			
Participants			
Female:	14		
Male:	12		
Non-binary:	0		
From country 1 [Slovakia]:	24		
From country 2 [Czechia]:	2		
Total number of participants:	26	From total number of countries:	2

Description

Provide a short description of the event and its activities.

The focus group took place in Bratislava in February 2023 with students from various academic backgrounds and interests. Gender balance was achieved, while the group consisted of mainly Slovak young people. In the 90 minutes moderated discussion the participants focused on the following issues:

- attitudes and perceptions towards democracy (national and EU level)
- perceptions of representation (national and EU level)
- democratic engagement as a citizen and as a young person

- preliminary thoughts on the future of the EU

Focus group participants were more comfortable and engaged relating to the state of democracy and their engagement on national level and experienced difficulties relating to the EU level. Nevertheless, an almost inseparable connection was distilled from the discussion between democracy and freedom. Young people also identified the EU as a necessary and better alternative for them and their country, drawing examples from more tangible outcomes such as environment protection, economy, monetary policies, etc.

HISTORY OF CHANGES			
VERSION	PUBLICATION DATE	CHANGE	
1.0	01.04.2022	Initial version (new MFF).	