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Project code	ROHU-277
Project title Priority axis	CHESS START RO-HU CHESS START RO-HU - joint development of a cross-border chess-based social inclusion tool 6 - Promoting cross-border cooperation between institutions and citizen
Priority axis	(Cooperation of institutions and communities)
Investment priority	11/b, Promoting legal and administrative cooperation and cooperation between citizens and institutions (Cooperation for institutions)
Implementation period	13 months (1 st of December 2018 – 31 st of December 2019)
Objective	The project main objective was to intensify the sustainable cross-border cooperation of the communities in Satu Mare (RO) and Szabolcs-Szatmár-Bereg (HU) counties developing innovative solutions to common problems related to the social inclusion of marginalized communities, thus contributing to a more active cross-border cooperation of various institutions and citizens.
	Lead Beneficiary: CREST Association (Romania)
Partnership	Project Partners:
	PP2: STEA Association (Romania)
	PP3: DAVID Sport Club (Hungary)
TOTAL Budget	€ 69,996.42, out of which, ERDF € 59,496.94
	Total eligible expenditure certified within the project: € 67,559.12
	Budget execution: 96.52%
Summary	The project ROHU-277 aimed to develop skills by learning chess techniques and building life skills for 80 children from a vulnerable community, Rroma, from Satu Mare (RO) and Nyiregyhaza (HU), using chess as an activity. The main activities implemented within the project:







- organizing training workshops for teaching children how to play chess, with the purpose to build a special counselling and intervention program focused on a coherent development of children's life skills and on increasing their self-esteem and motivation for a successful future;
 - training for the partners, personnel and volunteers in life skill development programs;
 - building the innovative guide "Life skills development program through chess";
 - arrangement and endowment of 3 chess rooms with proper equipment and tools, one by each partner;
 - organizing chess-themed life skills development activities with children (within partners' centers and joint chess camp and chess competitions).

On December 31, 2019, the project was successfully finalized. All activities provided in the project were completed (100%).

The Programme Output Indicator is "11/b2 Number of people directly involved in cross-border cooperation initiatives". Project ROHU – 277 contributes to this indicator by reaching a number of **112 people involved** in implementing an innovative life-skills development program for children using as a central element the potential of chess.

The collaboration of the partners in this project promoted equal opportunities and the fight against discrimination, offering opportunities to reduce the life skills development gaps between children in difficulty and other children from the cross-border area, supporting their inclusion and access to development opportunities.

The project's main results are:

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- transferred know-how between the partners in the field of teaching chess to children in the context of a 5 day chess teaching training program for 12 participants, organized in Hungary and Romania and printed manuals containing the training program guidelines;
- 3 arranged chess-rooms (1 at each partner) with proper equipment and tools (chess sets, chess pieces + board /sheet +watch, mobile interactive whiteboard);







- 100 children involved in chess activities within the partners' centres (50 children from Romania and 50 children from Hungary; 70% of these children were coming from vulnerable backgrounds;
- **4 joint chess competitions** (2 in Romania and 2 in Hungary) for the children involved in project activities;
- A 5-day chess camp organized in Romania with 50 participants (25 from Romania and 25 from Hungary). The activities involving children were implemented to create concrete opportunities for positive interactions through sport among community members and vulnerable people, thus contributing to changing mentality anchored in negative stereotypes about people from marginalized communities.
- **The guide** "Life skills development program through chess"