

EVENT DESCRIPTION SHEET

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PROJECT	
Project name and acronym:	Memory Futures, MF
Participant:	LIMMUD BALTICS LIIT (Limmud Baltics)
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EVENT DESCRIPTION	
Event number:	3
Event name:	LIMMUD ATELIER (BALTICS GATHERING)
Type:	gathering/seminar
In situ/online:	in situ
Location:	Jurmala, Latvia
Date(s):	14-16.07.2023
Website(s) (if any):	https://limmudeurope.org/event/limmud-atelier/
Participants	
Female:	16
Male:	10
Non-binary:	0

From country 1 [Estonia]:	7		
From country 2 [Latvia]:	15		
From country 3 [Lithuania]:	4		
Total number of participants:	26	From total number of countries:	3

Description

Provide a short description of the event and its activities.

Limmud Baltics conducted a volunteers-oriented training course Limmud Atelier, geared towards leadership, project management and personal skills development. The event also included Memory Futures website presentation and training key volunteers on how to use it. We invited experts to lead academic sessions, focused on building and leading the teams, thorough planning and task management, interpersonal communication, psychology of sales and website management. All the activities were done in the form of workshops, masterclasses and discussions. Sessions were conducted in Russian and in English.

Here is a brief overview of the speakers:

- Alek Kozlov (founder of Scrum Estonia and business trainer) conducted a training session on project management. It showed the team a new way of proper structure for the project flow. The new approach is going to be used in preparation, execution and following the full conference in 2024. Alek also had a session on empowering teams, where volunteers got acquainted with the project flow and suggested their participation in certain areas of project development.
- Marina Druz (strategist and project manager for businesses) helped to learn more about successful teamwork, improving communication skills and website management.
- Rav Shimon Kutnovski-Liak added a wonderful perspective on Jewish approach in leading a team, connecting modern times with Torah and Talmud.
- Telman Guzhevsky (internationally acclaimed opera tenor and actor) taught participants on proper voice usage in everyday life and with special focus on speaking to an audience.
- Karen Weisblatt (consultant to private philanthropies and NGOs) led a session on vision and mission of the organization. Volunteers could work on the topic in general as well as focus on their particular organizations. The output of the session will have a long-term effect, which will change the course of action of Limmud Baltics in upcoming years.
- Tanya Tumanov (highly qualified specialist in informal education) helped to find artistic inspiration for the upcoming Limmud Baltics conference to create a truly Jewish learning experience connected with entertainment.

Alongside general professional development sessions we conducted a track focused on deeper Jewish experience and promotion of Limmud values - Jewish learning sessions, Kabbalat Shabbat and Havdallah, movie screening.

The outcome of Limmud Atelier exceeded our best expectations - we managed to empower our volunteers for the upcoming Limmud Baltics 2024 conference and extend the organizational team with new faces and ideas.

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