

EVENT DESCRIPTION SHEET

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PROJECT	
Project name and acronym:	Memory Futures, MF
Participant:	Limmud Magyarország Alapítvány (Limmud Hungary)
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EVENT DESCRIPTION	
Event number:	04
Event name:	LIMMUD HUNGARY
Type:	conference/festival
In situ/online:	in situ
Location:	Hungary, Budapest
Date(s):	2023.10.28-31
Website(s) (if any):	www.limmud.hu https://limmudeurope.org/event/limmud-budapest/
Participants	
Female:	165
Male:	144

Non-binary:	0		
From country 1 [Hungary]:	277		
From country 2 [The Netherlands]:	3		
From country 3 [Belgium]:	5		
From country 4 [Austria]:	4		
From country 5 [Luxembourg]:	6		
From country 6 [Finland]:	1		
From country 7 [France]:	5		
From country 8 [Germany]:	1		
From country 9 [Italy]:	1		
From country 10 [Spain]:	1		
From country 11 [Poland]:	3		
From country 12 [Denmark]:	2		
Total number of participants:	309	From total number of countries:	12
Description <i>Provide a short description of the event and its activities.</i>			
<p>Limmud Festival Hungary was organised October 27-30, 2022 by a volunteer team of 30 volunteers in the Youth Center of the Council of Europe. Throughout the three days 60 presentations and workshops were held by 40 speakers. Altogether 309 participants attended from 12 EU countries, far exceeding the original expectations..</p> <p>The Limmud Festival Hungary is an emblematic event in the calendar of the Jewish community. This much-expected event, first post-covid in-person event under the banner of Memory Futures, was an excellent opportunity to learn, and gather for community members, international speakers and participants and people interested in remembrance and cultural exchange. This event was particularly meaningful also for members of the remote and tiny Jewish communities in Hungary, without much access to regular Jewish activity. It provided an opportunity for them to participate in a kosher Shabbat and meet fellow Jews and allies. The location of the event in a space filled with important messaging about Human Rights, gave an additional layer of safety and refuge to all participants, given the complex political climate in Hungary.</p>			

Limmud offered a Jewish experience for participants in an inclusive setting, followers of different Jewish denominations, secular community members and non-jews had a chance to connect through discussions, learning, food and rituals. The venue choice, emphasis on including members of remote communities and an opportunity for participants to connect beyond identity affiliations that divide them every day aligned perfectly with a broader theme of the Limmud Value of Community and Mutual Responsibility.

One of the most important concepts the programming team worked on was “Memory Futures”. We aimed to incorporate following themes into the program:

- Relevance of biblical stories to the community's challenges in the XXI century
- Social media and Jewish education
- New educational approaches
- Innovation in the field of commemorations and remembrance
- Learning from other Jewish communities challenges and strategies
- Stories of renewal

The event had a very positive impact on the organizers, who were positively reinvigorated by the success of the event as well as international participants, many of whom planned extra time in their travel to learn about Hungary. It was also an opportunity for some brainstorming about the upcoming Limmud Rhine (online) event. The opportunity to meet face-to-face and exchange ideas and divide roles was very helpful in delivering a successful online event.

This deliverable was achieved as planned.

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