



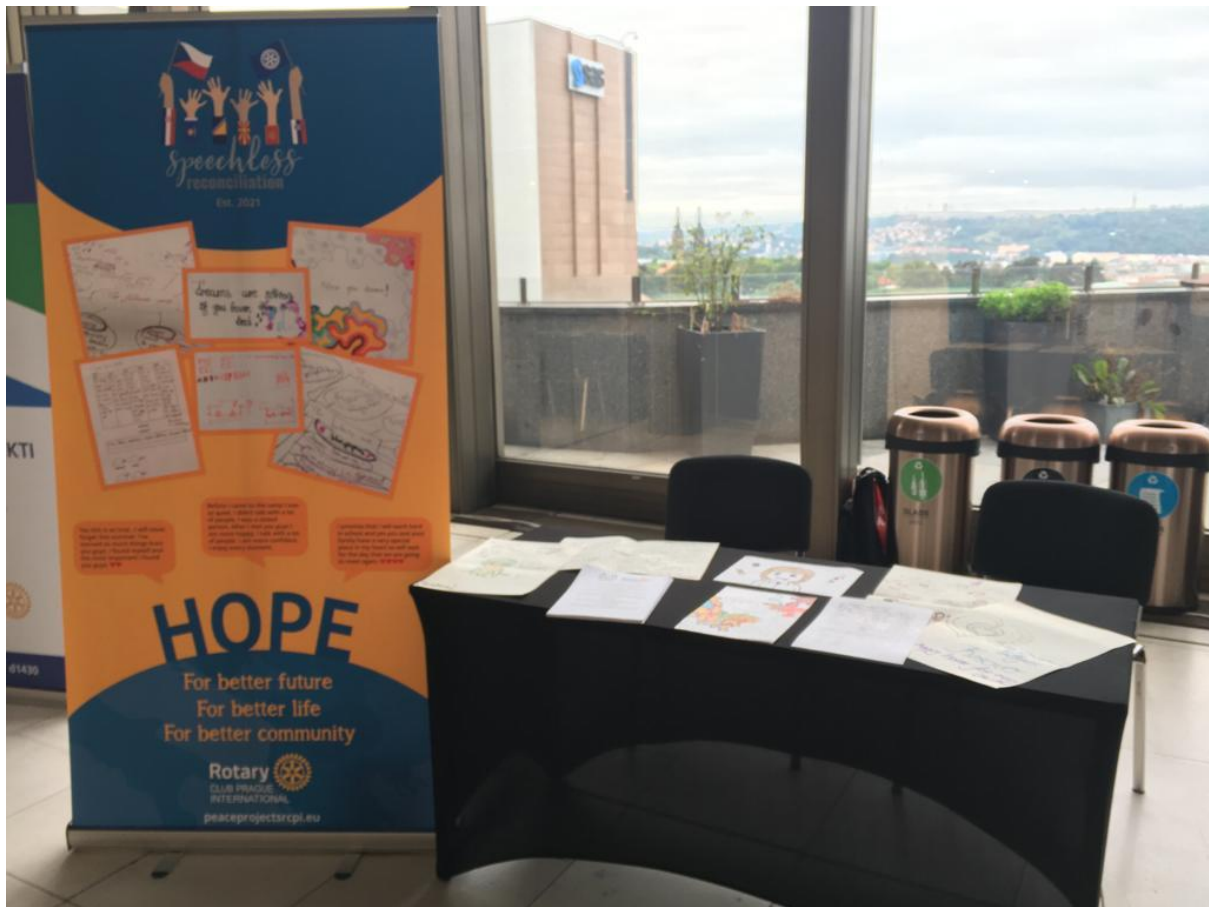
First of all we would like to share with you our deepest concern about the aggression of Putin's Russia into the Ukraine. We fully condemn any kind of violent act and we will try to do as much as we can within our project to mitigate the consequences that will and are already impacting people around us.

The Speechless Reconciliation team is currently in contact with the SOS Children's Villages Czech Republic in order to provide them with material support for the incoming children from SOS Children's Villages Ukraine.

In the light of the recent events we have also decided to offer six of the places on our upcoming summer camp to the youngsters that will come from the SOS Ukraine to the Czech Republic.

Regarding the overall progress of the Speechless Reconciliation project. After a few months of work and development we would like to inform you about the progress that we have made in the last few months with the Speechless Reconciliation project.

It has been truly a ride and so many things have happened in our Speechless Reconciliation project. In order not to overwhelm you with too much information we will try to keep this newsletter very concise and short.



“Before that I would like to say once again thank you to all of those that have supported us from the very beginning of our journey. Our volunteers, project team, individual and strategic sponsors such as C9 International, who became our main partner on this journey. Thank you!”



So what happened?

In terms of the follow up activities with our participants. We are currently still in touch with more than 10 out of 24 of the participants on an almost daily basis and provide them with all the necessary advice that they might need in their further development.

We have strengthened our partnership with the **Lastavica** organization and we are planning on organizing a joint fundraiser on the **28th of May**. The partnership has proven to be crucial. Especially in terms of Lastavica's support in the region of Western Balkans in communication with SOS Children's Villages International.

We have conducted more than **12 presentations for Rotary clubs from 6 countries**. We have also established new partnerships with private and public organizations. Among the clubs that we visited were **Rotary Club Zagreb, Rotary Club Sarajevo, Rotary Club Skopje** and more.

In the month of January we have signed the **Memorandum of Understanding** with our partner **Rotary Club Belgrade International** (Serbia). We believe that the strong partnership that we have established with our friends in Belgrade will lead to additional

summer camp taking place in the region of Balkans with Belgrade International as leading club.



In the month of January we visited **Rotary Club Zagreb International** and received very positive feedback on our future plans. Their intentions are to organize their own summer camp in the year 2023 but also take part as the active “opportunity seeker” in our online platform. They will be shadowing our team during the summer camp of 2022.

Presentation and meeting with **Rotary Club Vilvoorde** (Belgium) that took place in the first part of the month of February showed that the concept that we have been working on in the last few months is very appealing to other clubs and they would like to take part in as active organizers of their own camp as well as offer the opportunity to youngsters from the SOS Children's Villages International.



We mentioned the **online platform** a couple of times. So what is it really about? The idea of the online matching platform is to use the network of the Rotary International in order to offer the youngsters from the SOS Children's Villages International the opportunities from eventually all around the world. The platform as such is currently being developed and we will have the first beta version ready for testing at the end of the month of May.

All in all as you can see we have been very busy with spreading the message of the Speechless Reconciliation as far as possible as well as working closely with our partners on developing the idea of the Speechless Reconciliation even more into detail.



Where are we right now?

At this moment the project team is working on platform development with our partner **C9 International** in order to have a beta version ready by the end of the month of May.

Our project leader in close cooperation with our trainer **Valery Senichev** is finalizing the program for the 2022 summer camp in order to reflect the learnings from the 2021 edition.

We are also finalizing the list of the participants that will come for the 2nd edition of the summer camp from the western Balkans. We have so far confirmed 24 participants from 4 countries and we are working on bringing the final number up to 36.

We would also like to use this newsletter as the opportunity to invite you for our first ever fundraiser in order to support our project that will take place on the 28th of May.

The invitation will be sent out in a separate email. We would be honored if you would accept our invitation. We are expecting a great number of distinguished guests as well as a night full of fun.

On behalf of the Speechless Reconciliation team,

Matěj & Tim & Gerry & Joke