The big day of getting to know each other Report – Monday 21st February 2022

I was a little bit nervous. It was the first day we really started working on the project and the first day of seeing the ISE Torre Vicens. What was new for me was that school started at 8:30. Half an hour

later than I know from Germany. So me and my host were driven to school by car. When we arrived, most of the students were there already, standing in the school yard and talking in groups. We joined them and all together we were waiting for the rest of the students. Meanwhile one teacher from the ISE Torre Vicens introduced us to some of his students of the ICT class, because on Thursday would work on programming chips (Mikro:Bit) together.



After all students had arrived, we gathered in the hall. To get to know the school better, we formed groups of six (3 students from Spain, one from Germany, one from Sweden, one from Greece) and the Spanish students showed us the school. We shortly looked in some classes and in one class we also walked in. This class we will have a workshop with on Thursday, so the teacher asked us to write our names in a table.

Some minutes later we came together in the hall. To get to know each other better, we met with a partner, asked him or her some questions, formed groups of six and introduced our partner to the others. Afterwards we had the presentation of the different guest schools. Even the headteacher of the ISE Torre Vicens came to give a speech. Then some of the students from the Spanish school performed their traditional stick dance. It was very impressive and led into a good atmosphere. After the performance even we danced a bit all together another traditional dance in the school yard in a big circle. It was quite funny!



Still in the morning we started to work on the project: half of the students examined the surface of

leaves to find out about the special features that enables them to live in very dry climates. A very important feature are the stomata, small openings on the surface which regulate the exchange of oxygen and carbon dioxide. Meanwhile the other students were working in another workshop on how to make clever use of microcontrollers.

Taking all this knowledge with us, we went to lunch, which we ate at a long table all together. I was very surprised about the

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the afternoon we had another workshop. Some students from the ISE Torre Vicens presented their projects from their class. I think the aim was to create something that improves processes. One group for example created a machine, which counts the value of the coins you put inside. But all projects were very fascinating. When school was finished my host and me went to her motorcycle class. While she was practising, I enjoyed the fantastic view and watched the people there driving. Meanwhile, it was very, very windy. You even could lean the wind!

the evening we joined the other students at the bowling alley. There I played with some others table hockey for some time. They were really exciting rounds.

Unfortunately, most of the people left while we were playing and only a few ones were left.

But we then started walking towards the centre of Lleida and towards the cathedral of Lleida. Although it was dark outside and a long distance, I enjoyed the walk. When we entered the centre, more people were around and a lot of light was there. We also walked to the cathedral, which was astonishing due to the lights illuminating it from the bottom. At the cathedral we had an ordinary view and it was just a perfect atmosphere. With this perfect moment the day ended and we drove back to fall asleep very exhausted.

