

Estonia
Erasmus+ “Work in progress – My logbook“

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Dear student,

in order to keep track of your project work you should keep **a logbook**. For each day, please

1. describe what you did on that day (activities, workshops, excursions...).
2. sum up what you have learnt about the topic “Smart and sustainable use of energy”.
3. describe and evaluate your project work, i.e.
 - a) which steps you have already taken, and which steps you still have to take (see project plan) and whether your project work is going according to your set project plan.
If not, what could you do to solve the problem(s)?
 - b) your team work, e.g. your cooperation, your communication.
In what way is it going well? What could be improved?
 - c) what you have learnt in terms of project work.

Illustrate your logbook entries by adding e.g. pictures, photos, extracts from brochures, used tickets.

Of course, you can keep an online logbook.

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Wednesday, 3rd October 2018

On Wednesday, we first flew from Stuttgart to Frankfurt and then continued to Tallinn. From there, we took another two-hour bus ride to Tartu, and could already notice a difference to Germany in terms of availability of energy: there were many more free public Wifi-hotspots and the overall features of our bus were stunning. You could watch a movie, listen to music or charge your phone without any complications. When we arrived at the hotel we just ate dinner and went to bed quickly, because we were very tired of our trip.



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Thursday, 4th October 2018

On Thursday, we were welcomed in the Läfte Gymnasium and listened to very nice musical acts from Estonian singers and a choir. Then we presented how our country deals with the production of energy and were then divided into 4 groups, in which we would work together for the next week. Later we got to know each other a little, before we ate lunch the local students gave us a brief tour of their school buildings. In the afternoon, we visited the Estonian university of life sciences and got to see with which methods the building is powered, be it by solar or wind power or by burning wood.

In the evening, some of us went ice skating and had a lot of fun together, although we may have crashed once or twice.



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Friday, 5th October 2018

On Friday we first visited Tartu and briefly went inside its university. The mayor of Tartu, Mr. Urmas Klaas then welcomed us in the Town Hall and spoke about the importance of the city of Tartu for the central Baltics.

We had lunch at the Gunpowder Cellar and drove to the Tartu Environmental Education Centre, later to the Ice Age Centre and in the evening to the Tartu AHHA Science Centre, where we could experiment with very interesting scientific phenomena.



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Saturday, 6th October 2018

On Saturday we got up early in the morning and set off to Tallinn, the capital of Estonia. After we arrived there, we got a small tour through the city, conveniently from inside our bus, because it was raining.

Nevertheless we were able to have a look at the Tallinn Song festival grounds and the Kadriorg castle. After lunch time, we visited the Energy Discovery Centre and saw a very interesting demonstration of the Faraday cage. Then, we luckily had the chance to visit the old town of Tallinn and wandered through the narrow streets next to many beautiful little shops.



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Sunday, 7th October 2018

On Sunday we roamed through the beautiful nature of Estonia. After sleeping in, we drove to the Meenikunno Bog Reserve in the south of Estonia. Luckily it didn't rain, while we enjoyed the quietness and fresh air on a walk surrounded by moss, trees and lakes. We also ate lunch in the forest, before we continued our walk next to a small river. In the evening, after eating dinner in Tartu, we spend our time at the hotel with the other foreign students as usual and later tried out the sauna of the hotel.



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Monday, 8th October 2018

On Monday we needed to heavily work on our group tasks, since we had had so little time for it up to this point. So, after eating lunch at the school, we sat together and arranged the various tasks that were necessary in order to create a brochure. Our team worked very motivated in the beginning, but in my opinion, some lacked a bit of thoroughness and stamina in the end. Still, we accomplished our task and could later present it to the other groups and the teachers.

Then, everybody danced traditional dances to the beautiful music of a folk group, which was a very nice conclusion for that day and our whole week.

In the evening, a few Estonians came to the hotel with us and we spent our last bit of time together, before departing on the next day.

