

Hydropower plant Matka

It is nice to be a participant in an ERASMUS project whereas we have an opportunity to learn, to share, to see and to hear new things. Furthermore, it is a nice chance for meeting new countries, cultures and traditions and making new friendships.

Today, 5th October, was that kind of day. We, students - participants of the ERASMUS project *"Slow down education in nature"* together with our teacher-mentors visited the Hydropower Plant Matka, near Skopje and got a chance to see and learn something new outside the school benches by Project-based Teaching.

We visited the Exhibition Center in Matka, which is the only educational center in Macedonia. By implementation of different interactive methods and demonstrations, we were able to see and learn about electricity, its history, its production, its transmission and its use. This center is located in the old hydropower plant Matka, where we could see 80 years old facility that still produces electricity. We also saw original antiques, archival materials, films and photographs all related to the production and transmission of electricity.

It has also been said that if we look around us just for a second, we can notice that everyday things in our lives have a connection to electricity. So, electricity is very important in our modern life, but it also have to be saved.

The facility of the hydropower plant Matka is located in the most beautiful canyons in the country, full of diverse wildlife. Matka is the oldest artificial lake in Macedonia, whose water is used to obtain electricity and to irrigate the surrounding villages too. The visit of this location as one of the most beautiful parts in our country on one side, and the educational opportunities on the other side, I believe that we, the participants in this project, have expanded our horizons and knowledge, as well as have increased our motivation for gaining new knowledge and making new friendships.

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