**Report**

To: Coordinator of the VET4SCAPE project

From: Green team

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Introduction

The purpose of this report is to compare the different cultures and costumes of the members of our team. The information was obtained through distinct survival guides from Romania, Bulgaria, Portugal, Austria, Slovakia, Slovenia and Czech Republic.

Opinions and information about the different countries

Our team completed the survival guides and 100% of us agrees that the countries that we knew the least about were Portugal and Slovakia. One of the most surprising facts that we learned about Romania was that the tips only correspond to 2% of the final cost, and while 6 members of the green team think the tips should be higher the other 3 members say that 2% is just enough.

Currency differences

Although almost 57,14% of the countries we are from have the same coin – euro – places like Romania (that uses lei), Bulgaria (that uses leva) and Czech Republic (that uses crown) have different currencies.

Different characteristics

We found similarities between countries, such as Slovakia and the Czech Republic. The languages are very similar, the same goes for their traditional music, dance and holidays such as Christmas and Easter.

The least similar are Romania and Portugal. For example, in Portugal the bus is more often used than the subway, while in Romania they use only the bus because they only have subway in a few cities. We can also distinguish these two countries by their weather. In Portugal it snows just in a few regions of the northern part, while in Romania it snows all over the country every winter.

Conclusion

To summarise, our group wouldn’t miss the chance to visit any of the countries we are from due to the importance of cultural enrichment, learning new languages and traditions, meeting different people and places and basically getting out of our comfort zone.