

EVENT DESCRIPTION SHEET

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PROJECT	
Participant:	Bratislava Policy Institute (BPI)
PIC number:	911230417
Project name and acronym:	RevivEU

EVENT DESCRIPTION	
Event number:	4.2
Event name:	Večer Michala Vašečku: V zajatí nedôvery (Diskusia o verejnej mienke na Slovensku) [EN: Michal Vašečka's evening: In captivity of mistrust (Discussion on public opinion in Slovakia)]
Type:	Discussion for the general public
In situ/online:	in-situ
Location:	Slovakia, Bratislava
Date(s):	20.6.2023
Website(s) (if any):	http://reviveu.net/activities/events/public-presentations-of-the-second-waves-of-citizens-consultations/
Participants	
Female:	11
Male:	4
Non-binary:	0
From country 1 [Slovakia]:	14
From country 2 [Czechia]:	1
From country 3 [name]:	
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Total number of participants:	15
From total number of countries:	2
Description	
<i>Provide a short description of the event and its activities.</i>	
The public presentation of the results of the citizens' consultation on Covid-19 and Rule of Law in Slovakia took place on 20th June 2023 on the premises of ART BOOKS COFFEE in Bratislava. Michal	

Vašečka and Viera Žúborová were the main hosts, presenting all the main conclusions of the second round of Slovak citizens' consultations to the participants and then discussing and analysing them together. The consultations were carried out throughout April 2023, in the form of one-on-one in-person interviews, where the citizens answered pre-prepared sets of questions on rule of law and covid-19, and gave their opinion on the project, the two mentioned topics, as well as European Union as such. These conversations were further supplemented by a number of online surveys with similar questions, thus ensuring the results of the consultations are representative of the Slovak society. The participants of the public presentation of the results listened carefully, asked great questions, and contributed to the debate. The debate lasted for almost 2 hours and those interested can also watch the recording on the social media of the Bratislava Policy Institute.

Several results caught the attention of the participants, being literally shocking to them in many ways. For example, the consultation showed that there is a huge mutual distrust among Slovaks - up to 70% of people think that other people cannot be trusted. A surprising result was also the growing trend of Euroscepticism, with up to 35% of respondents being in favour of Slovakia leaving the EU. In Slovakia, there has been a long-standing lack of trust in institutions, which our survey only confirmed and showed that most people distrust members of parliament and the president.

A fruitful discussion was also sparked by the topic of minorities, in which the survey showed that Slovaks think that the rights of migrants, the LGBTI+ community and the Roma are overprotected – our participants couldn't believe how the general public can think this way, especially about LGBTI+ people. After the end of the discussion, its informal part took place, when the participants could have refreshments and continue discussing in a non-formal way.

HISTORY OF CHANGES		
VERSION	PUBLICATION DATE	CHANGE
1.0	01.04.2022	Initial version (new MFF).