

University of Olomouc held European meeting

Arte-Via delegation in the Czech Republic

A delegation of the cooperative Arte-Via, Lousã, visited the Czech Republic, between 21 and 24 October under the European project "Let's do it", to develop the Grundtvig Programme, aimed at lifelong learning.

The Portuguese representation, led by the presidents of the board and the general assembly of the cooperative, Ana Filomena Amaral and Maria Assumpta Coimbra, respectively, presented at the University of Olomouc the work "Create Space and Time", performing the theory of "Big Bang" on the creation of the universe.

The Department of Physics Olomouc will adopt the methodology presented by the cooperative from Lousã to transmit scientific knowledge to children who visit that university. The workshop's responsibility of Arte-Via involved over 50 participants of the project "Let's Do It", from the United Kingdom, Romania, Spain, Ireland, Malta, Turkey, Czech Republic and Portugal. Coordinated by Ireland, the project "Let's Do It" had the first meeting of partners in Lousã in November 2009, coinciding with the commemoration of the 10th anniversary of the Arte-Via. Besides the work in the Faculty of Science and Technology of Olomouc, the program included a social and cultural script that highlights a visit to the hydroelectric plant of Dlouha Strana Hrubý Jeseník mountain, which has an installed capacity of 2x325 MW and the largest reversal turbine of Europe.

Bathed by the Morava River and with about 100 000 inhabitants, Olomouc is situated in Moravia region, almost 300 kilometers from Prague, capital of the country. In 1063, it became bishop of the city, is currently the second largest city of the Czech Republic in terms of historical importance, after Prague.

The baroque Pillar, built in the eighteenth century, is classified as World Heritage by UNESCO. The urban area of Olomouc has a line of modern and functional electrics, which provides frequent links, including overnight.

The Czech Republic has one of the densest rail networks in Europe, covering the entire country, and almost all of it administered by the CD, the national company of railroads.

