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On January 30 and 31, 2020, the last presentation meeting of the management teams of the joint international project Transcultural Nursing for Practice took place in České Budějovice which was attended by representatives of all partner countries from the Czech Republic, Denmark, Israel, Cyprus, Spain and Turkey.

The organizers - members of the project team from the Czech Republic, were literally busy, especially with the organization of the first project day. The meeting was conceived as an international conference with the participation of about forty participants including twenty-two invited guests representing a wide range of disciplines and institutions.

The most important guests included representatives of the faculties of the University of South Bohemia - the Dean of the Faculty of Health and Social Sciences, the University of South Bohemia - Ivana Chloubová, the Vice-Dean of the Faculty of Education SBU, Renata Malátová and the head of the Department of Social Sciences of the same faculty, Helena Pavličíková. The invitation was also accepted by the director of the Strakonice Hospital, Tomáš Fiala, Deputy of Nursing Care of the Hospital Č. Budějovice, Monika Kyselová, head nurses, and other nurses and doctors of hospitals in the South Bohemian Region. The Ministry of Education, Youth and Sports was represented by Vladimír Krieg, Secretary of the Accreditation Commission for Higher Vocational Education. Miroslav Sekula, President of the Association of Medical Schools of the Slovak Republic who is also the director of the Secondary School in Lučenec, gave to the meeting an international hallmark. The Czech Red Cross also sent its representative, and primary and secondary medical schools were also represented.

After the introductory and very professional performance of the Medical school choir, the morning program was started by the school director and the general project manager, Karel Štix, who also introduced the guests in English to foreign teams. All guests listened with interest to presentations by project managers from the Czech Republic, Ilona Bláhová, Barbora Sedláčková and IT manager Martin Mach. In short: the program was full of interesting information and insights from different cultures, religions and social backgrounds which are very significantly reflected in nursing care in countries east and west of us. The presentation also included "tastings" of traditional culinary products which were brought to the participants and served by colleagues from foreign teams. The conclusion of the conference belonged to the representatives of five countries themselves, who evaluated the benefits and added value of the three-year project on behalf of their teams. Two professional interpreters provided the English translation.

Three years of friendly cooperation, establishing personal friendships, breaking down cultural, social and religious prejudices and one's own "non-transferable" experience of teachers and students from different backgrounds - this is the essential and most valuable result of a joint project... The organizing team was convinced that all participants went to the final banquet with similar feelings.

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