

Giuseppe Procopio
Portogallo Memories

Erasmus+ is certainly among the most interesting opportunities that the school can offer a student. Portugal, in Braganza, was my first experience as a student with the programme. At the end of September 2018 I have hosted a Romanian boy for a week, but going to another city and being a guest is a new experience. In fact, it is necessary to test not only one's own academic and linguistic knowledge, but also one's ability to adapt, which is fundamental for facing a new experience in another country.

Braganza is a Portuguese municipality of 34,750 inhabitants located in the same district. It is the ancient capital of the region of Tras-os-montes, the old part at the top of the hill is all enclosed by an intact circle of walls from the 12th century with 18 towers. In the lower part there is the modern city. Regarding my experience in Portugal I had the opportunity of meeting new people, new places and different traditions and I highly recommend it. I liked Portuguese cuisine which abounds with white and red meat dishes, such as tripas, alheira and sarrabulho.

What struck me positively was that the cost of living in Portugal is generally lower than in Italy. For example, bar and Mcdrinks have very low cost compared to us. Portuguese is the sixth most spoken language in the world, its resemblance to Italian makes it easy to learn.

As for the participants I felt at ease.

As for contents, I developed my knowledge on all kinds of renewable energy sources as Mr Rui, the coordinator provided us with an exhaustive programme, letting us visit all local relevant places.



It is my second mobility experience in Erasmus+ projects. I left on the 25th of February and came back on the 2nd of March from Braganza in Portugal for the project Let's Use Energy Usefully.

I have been hosted by Miguel and his family: awesome and always available people.

It was useful to share this experience with them, because I learnt about their habits in their environment, how to dress and eat, and they let me taste the typical products of the place.

The first day we visited the school which is very large and spacious. The teachers welcomed us with sympathy and availability. In the afternoon we visited the entire city of Braganza on foot, which is not very big but clean and nice. Each day of the week was dedicated to a renewable energy source. We visited a thermal power station in Miranda, we saw a wind farm station on the site and, eventually, a biomass plant.

The visits to the two cities of Porto and Salamanca in Spain were very beautiful. We walked a lot seeing the most characteristic parts of the cities.

It was a beautiful experience. All the guys of the project were kind and nice but in particular the Portuguese ones were very hospitable.

I would recommend everyone to participate in Erasmus+ which is useful not only to improve English language but also to learn about new places and new ways of life. It represented a cultural and social enrichment.



Antonio Sciumbata

Erasmus+ Project

Mobility in Portugal from 24/02/2019 to 02/03/2019

My experience in the Erasmus+ Project in Portugal has been exciting, both from a didactic point of view and from a social point of view. The Mobility topic was focused on renewable energies, the host city was Braganza, an interesting town in the North of Portugal, where we admired the important castle that represents the city.

In this Erasmus+ project, there were also students coming from Turkey, Hungary and Bulgaria, with whom we shared this experience.

We were hosted by Portuguese families, who welcomed us very well.

My host family let me feel like I were at home, and I never felt like a guest.

We had the opportunity of visiting the most important renewable energy plants around the country and the Museum of Contemporary Art in Braganza.

The project also included excursions, we went to Porto, a beautiful city by the sea, and to Salamanca (Spain).

This experience has allowed me to verify and improve both linguistic and social skills. During my stay in Portugal I realized that day after day I have been improving my English language skills, because I have been speaking with my mates in different daily situations. This made me more confident and motivated in school activities.

I hope to participate in other Erasmus+ projects in the future.





Ricordi del Portogallo

Per quanto mi riguarda, è stata una esperienza entusiasmante che mi ha dato la possibilità di permanere, per 5 giorni, in una scuola europea, per conoscere da vicino i diversi modi di fare scuola e, contemporaneamente,

una buonissima opportunità per esercitare il mio Inglese.

Ho, infatti, potuto fare ampia pratica di conversazione su argomenti quotidiani e venire in contatto con la vita di tutti i giorni in un paese diverso dal nostro.

Il progetto è stato molto interessante, stimolante e motivante, anche perché tenuto da esperti, che ci hanno presentato e fatto sperimentare nuove metodologie e tecniche al fine di sfruttare l'energia della natura, diventando così eco sostenibili.

Interagendo con ragazzi di diversi paesi europei, ho forse avuto, per la prima volta, la sensazione di essere cittadino europeo, di essere unito a tutti gli altri, dagli stessi problemi e da un'unica lingua. Ho avuto modo di confrontarmi e comprendere come vivono studenti e docenti di un altro paese e di stringere amicizia con persone che, diversamente, non avrei potuto incontrare, persone che difficilmente dimenticherò, con cui ho passato momenti bellissimi ☺☺☺



Virginia Misiano

LET'S USE ENERGY USEFUL

BRAGANZA, PORTUGAL 25/02-01/03 2019

My name is Biamondo Domenico Sestito and this is my first experience in Erasmus+ projects. It was an awesome and cool experience in Braganza in Portugal!

It was a long journey but it was worth it! We visited the big school of Braganza where I met the students of the other countries. We all together visited the city. My host family was very kind, friendly and lovely. I tasted my first typical Portuguese food.

During my stay I had the opportunity to visit visit the renewable solar power station, biomass power station "Lipor" and the wind power plant. They were very interesting because It was the first time for me to see closely these plants.

The excursions to Porto and Salamanca were great! We visited the cities on foot and we admired the beauty and the architecture of both of them.

It was one of my best experiences till now and I suggest to all my mates to join Erasmus projects. My English improved and I had the opportunity to know different European traditions in a week.

THANKS ERASMUS+!!!!

