

## Projects from Latvia in EU programme "Europe for Citizens"

## European rural area before and after Fall of Berlin Wall

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## Description:

One of project aims was to show that discussions about significant tasks for European Union can be carry on also between elder citizens, without knowledge of english language and without wide experience in using of new technologies.

The participants of workshop was seniors with rich experience of life. Common discussion about Europe history, own observation and idea Exchange create true European discussion.

The aim of a project was to collect European citizens for promoting exchange of experience about European history, especially to put accent on life in countryside. Talking about Fall of Berlin Wall as a reference point in history of Europe, as well as life before and after fall of Berlin wall. The experience stories was write in DVD.

During workshop participants exchange their memories about their childhood and time when Berlin Wall falls as far as fall of communism change the life in different European countries. In same time participants, living in spanish village, were introduced with several projects of development the countryside in Spain. Participants were introduced with different cultural traditions.

During project a short video was made and it is available in 4 lanuages: english, spanish, latvian and on danish.

You can watch the video here:

http://www.humania.tv/videos/el mundo rural en europa antes y despues de la caida del muro de berlin

## Suggestion from project team:

Very often view is hold that European Union projects are more concern on youth who speaks english another language and are good in using new technologies. But the project proves that European discussion can held very well between participants with no common language and wide European experience. Linda Jākobsone. project coordinator



