

EVENT DESCRIPTION SHEET

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PROJECT	
Project name and acronym:	Memory Futures, MF
Participant:	Liberal Jewish Community of Luxembourg (LJCL)
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EVENT DESCRIPTION	
Event number:	14
Event name:	LIMMUD LUXEMBOURG
Type:	Concert and conference
In situ/online:	in situ
Location:	Luxembourg city
Date(s):	2023 December 8-10
Website(s) (if any):	https://www.limmud.eu/event/limmud-luxembourg/
Participants	
Female:	101
Male:	87
Non-binary:	none
Luxembourg (1)	124

France (2)	22		
Germany (3)	12		
Spain (4)	5		
Hungary (5)	6		
Belgium (6)	6		
Sweden (7)	1		
Poland (8)	4		
Netherlands (9)	5		
Lithuania (10)	1		
Estonia (11)	2		
Total number of participants:	188	From total number of countries:	11
Description			
<i>Provide a short description of the event and its activities.</i>			
<p>The weekend organized by Limmud Luxembourg encompassed four distinct tracks, offering a multifaceted experience for participants:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Limmud volunteer training (Limmud Elements): This track brought together European Limmud leaders for an intensive day and a half of networking, community building, and best-practices exchange. The gathering served as a crucial time for the community to come together, discuss challenges faced by Jewish event organizers and leaders in Europe, and address the impact of the Israel-Hamas war on the community. 2. Children's Activity with Musician: An engaging activity for children focused on Hannukah, transmission, assimilation, and intercultural dialogue, fostering a sense of cultural understanding and celebration. 3. Klezmer Concert: The concert on Saturday, December 9, was a resounding success, attracting over 100 attendees who danced well into the night. The event featured the band Cocktail Mazel Tov, and the enthusiasm and joy of the audience left a lasting impression on both the performers and venue owners. 4. Limmud Conference: The highlight of the weekend was the full-day Limmud Conference on December 10. With 16 sessions and approximately 30 speakers from diverse backgrounds, the conference provided a platform for discussions on a wide array of topics, including EU values, respect for the rights of religious minorities, combating antisemitism, human rights, the Israel-Hamas conflict, and the opportunities and challenges of being Jewish in Europe. The event aimed to create personal connections between members of the two Jewish communities in Luxembourg, focusing on both institutional and individual levels. 			

The weekend attracted participants from 11 countries across Europe, fostering a diverse community in terms of gender, age, nationality, and backgrounds, extending beyond the Jewish community. It served as a safe space for those interested in Judaism and its future in Europe.

The comprehensive program, organized during Hanukah, also integrated themes related to Hanukah, light, and enlightenment. The sessions and concert placed Jewish heritage and memory in a contemporary, intersectional context through various art forms, talks, and conferences. The exchange between activists from different parts of Europe and the broader audience revealed shared concerns and challenges, such as security, antisemitism, assimilation, and cultural transmission, emphasizing the significance of such events in addressing common issues. In conclusion, the weekend marked the largest Jewish cultural and learning festival ever organized in the region.

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