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### 26<sup>th</sup> April 2018 Project meeting in Košice

The second working meeting of the Slovak-Hungarian project: Narrow gauge railways as attractions and gates to nature took place on 26<sup>th</sup> of April, 2018 in Košice.

The meeting was opened by the chairman of the Košice Children's Railways Association Ľubomír Lehotský. Project manager Rudolf Bauer presented the main indicators of tourism in the Košice region. Project manager Adam Jákots presented tourism data of city Miskolc. The invited historian, Tomáš Haviar, presented the history of narrow gauge railways in Central and Eastern Europe, and his presentation was highly appreciated by the participants. Ľubomír Lehotský later presented the potential of railways in the tourism industry.

Igor Holéczy from Košice Children's Railways Association presented statistical data on tourism visits of recent years, structure of tourism visits, number of tickets sold, similar data for LÁEV were presented by Ádám Jákots. Contributions have prompted a lively discussion about improving the ticketing system and its effects on tourism visits.

After a short break, a SWOT analysis followed in a joint discussion. R. Bauer presented a questionnaire and further steps in the preparation of the Master Plan, which were approved.

The next meeting will be held on 19<sup>th</sup> July 2018 in Miskolc and will focus on the evaluation of the questionnaire survey, the SWOT analysis and the analysis of weaknesses and strengths. A description of the legal environment will be launched at the August meeting.



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