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Dear Participants,

it has been a great pleasure for us to host you for these 11 October days in our venue in Strausberg.

It has also been a great reward to read your observations, critics and impulses in your evaluation. Thanks to all those who gave us this important feedback.

As it has been the very first time for us, Fusion, to organize an event like this, we are full of gratitude that things worked as good as they worked...

Sure, the schedule was tough and there was not enough time to go deeper into the themes and to make everlasting friendships.

Too less free time, too less time for creative actions, too less time for reflection, group building actions, thoughts clearing intervals and so on, the list is long.

Still, besides all, it was great fun for us to discuss with you, to eat and drink, play music and dance and share with you!

We personally have learned a great deal about the Erasmus Programme, the possibilities, our working methods and about group dynamics, commitment, responsibility, sharing, individuality and many more things.

As the days pass by, we believe it was a great opportunity for all of us to get in contact with each other and to reflect on a theme that has been a burning issue throughout our 20 years of creative political intervention in Berlin.

Knowing that we would only spend 11 days of the year's 365, we wanted to share with you our backgrounds, our experience and our plans. Together with the work of all our "Experts" and the excursions to Berlin and to the subterranean space of the Cold War bunker, we believed that all together would give you a broad idea of space and the various forms of interventions in the city. But we also wanted to know so many things about you and your work, your interventions and your commitment in your countries. It is our great wish to get closer to the idea of Europe: What is it? And what can it be? How can we contribute to a really peaceful and democratic future?

How can we play constructive roles in the ongoing process of change and transition?

So all in all the days were overloaded, also for us. And many times we could only scratch on the surface of the themes.

We would now need at least another 11 days with all those who are really involved in the issue...

We hope you all are enjoying wonderful freetime, that all your need for creativity can run free, that your reflections, thoughts, considerations and memories are enriching you as well as they do to us.

Thank you for your participation, your sharing and all the inspiration, thank you for the great experience we had together!

A great and special thanks to the team: Sandra, Sabine, Signe, Porgy, Uwe, Harry, Sven, Masha, Nathaniel, Manda and Steffen. Without your loving and selfless collaboration the gathering would have been impossible.

Thanks also to the formal and non-formal experts: Falk, Signe, Georg and Tim from Karmanoia, Julia and Ruta from Trial & Error, Ute and the guys from Youthclub "Horte" and Matthias. You have downright widened our horizon!

**Hugs to all of you, go on being creative and keep the flame burning!**

Marta & Wolfgang

