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Programme of the 3rd study visit
Slovakia, March 2 – 7, 2026

Monday, March 2

- 17.15 – meeting at train station, accomodation in hotel Saffron (https://www.hotelsaffron.sk/)
- 18.30 – dinner at Savage Garden bistro & restaurant (https://www.savagebistro.sk/)
- 20.00 – walk by the streets of Bratislava, glass of wine

Tuesday, March 3

- 9.00 – meeting at ÚĽUV:
  - guided exhibition "A single inspiration, two paths. ÚĽUV 1945 – 1989"
  - meeting with employees of Open Atelier and library of ÚĽUV, visit of a ÚĽUV shop
- 12.00 – lunch at Slovak Pub restaurant (https://slovakpub.sk/)
- 13.00 – guided tour through School of Crafts ÚĽUV
- 14.30 – discussion about the place of traditional crafts in our countries with the employees of ÚĽUV and ministry of culture (I attach the detailed programme)
- 16.30 – short look in the workshops of School of Crafts ÚĽUV with participants
- 17.00 – departure for Banská Bystrica
- 18.30 – dinner in Tekovská kúria restaurant (https://tekovskakuria.sk/)
- 20.30 – arrival at accommodation Penzión Alcorso (https://www.alcorso.sk/), potentially evening drink in the city

Wednesday, March 4

- 9.30 – our internal meeting, premises of ÚĽUV Banská Bystrica
- 11.15 – methodical seminar of ÚĽUV for the teachers from primary schools – presentation of GPS project and of the educational ways of our organisations, short discussion with teachers about their experiences with teaching the crafts
- 12.00 – lunch at Olivo restaurant (https://www.olivo.sk/)
- 13.00 – the workshop of weaving the Easter whips
- 15.00 – our internal meeting, premises of ÚĽUV Banská Bystrica
- 16.00 – free time
- 18.00 – dinner at Urpiner restaurant & pub (https://urp.sk/)

Thursday, March 5

- 9.30 – leaving Banská Bystrica through Očová (the homevillage of Erika) to the village of Vrbovce
- 12.30 – lunch in Tekovská kúria restaurant (https://tekovskakuria.sk/)
- 15.30 – arriving in Vrbovce at accomodation Biofarma Kaška (https://www.biofarmakaska.sk/), visit of local willow patch, house of Ján Patinka (strawbaskets maker from documentary film) and local museum
- around 19.00 – dinner at Vrbovčianska bašta (https://vrbovcebasta.sk/) with local people, discussion about the past and present of basketry craft in Vrbovce

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Friday, March 6

- morning – for some people the basketry workshops at village of Rudník from 8.30; for some people rest in the nice accomodation or nature in Vrbovce and maybe also the visit of the town Morkovice-Slížany in Czech Republic, where a basketry cooperative operated until the mid-1990s

- 18.30 – dinner at Vrbovce or city of Myjava (the place to be specified), short internal meeting
- evening – entertainment at the accomodation

Saturday, March 7

- 9.30 – Rudník – the "Unusual Shapes of Wicker" festival;
- 13.00 – 14.00 – my duties at this festival

* German friends – I will take you directly to Bratislava after 14.00 by car
* Polish friends – if needed, I can take you to the train station in Nové Mesto nad Váhom also earlier