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Árpád János Potápi met with leaders of Hungarian parties abroad

State Secretary for Hungarian Communities Abroad Árpád János Potápi met with leaders of Hungarian parties abroad on Monday in Szekszárd. The agenda of the meeting included the most important results of the policy for Hungarian communities abroad of the past year and the situation in each region. Representatives of Hungarian parties abroad called for the participation of Hungarians abroad in next year's elections. Representatives included president of the Alliance of Vojvodina Hungarians István Pásztor, president of the Transcarpathian Hungarian Cultural Association (KMKSZ) László Brenzovics, president of the MKP platform of the Alliance József Berényi and president of the Democratic Union of Hungarians of Croatia Róbert Jankovics.

Rákóczi Association sends Christmas gifts to 20,000 Hungarian kindergarten children abroad

As a motivation to choose Hungarian schools abroad, the Rákóczi Association is sending Christmas gifts to 20,000 Hungarian kindergarten children abroad. On Thursday the Association informed Hungarian news agency MTI that the gift packages - each of which includes a children's book and some sweets for the children and a letter to the parents encouraging them to choose Hungarian schools - will be sent to approximately 1,000 Hungarian settlements and 20,000 kindergarten children in the Carpathian Basin. They highlighted that the Association is committed to choosing Hungarian schools for Hungarian communities abroad, and that they are convinced that a Hungarian school is the best decision for both the child's future well-being and for the survival of Hungarian communities.



Community institution Studium HUB - built with Hungarian support - inaugurated in Marosvásárhely

Studium HUB - an institution accommodating an incubator and co-working space for NGOs, a cultural center, a podcast studio and artist apartments - was inaugurated in downtown Marosvásárhely/Târgu Mureș on Sunday. State Secretary for Hungarian Communities Abroad Árpád János Potápi pointed out that the institution serves the residents of Târgu Mureș and helps the Hungarian and Romanian peoples to get closer.

Potápi: a unified Carpathian Basin also means an increasingly unified educational space

On Saturday afternoon, speaking at the foundation stone laying ceremony of the nursery school of Cserehát district in Székelyudvarhely/Odorhei Secuiesc, State Secretary for Hungarian Communities Abroad Árpád János Potápi said that a unified



Carpathian Basin means not only a unified nation, history, language, culture, but an increasingly unified educational space. Mr. Potápi said that the Carpathian Basin Nursery School Development Program allowed the restoration of 713 nursery schools and the construction of 179 new ones. Transylvania received more than HUF 33 billion, which covered the restoration of 376 nursery schools and the construction of 103 new ones. He added that the program has entered its fourth phase and is ongoing.

The Board of Appeal of Bucharest legally rejects registration of merger of EMNP and MPP

On Friday the Board of Appeal of Bucharest ruled that the appeal of the Hungarian Civic Party (MPP) is unfounded and legally rejected registration of the merger of Hungarian People's Party of Transylvania (EMNP) and MPP. Earlier, the Bucharest Court refused to register the merger of the two small Hungarian parties in Transylvania, because, as the parties announced, they wanted to register the official name of the new party in both Hungarian and Romanian. After learning of the reasons for the decision at first instance, in a joint statement the EMNP and the MPP called the refusal to register the merger absurd and inadmissible.



Representatives of schools in the Dunajská Streda District receive sports packs offered by the Hungarian government

Slovak news portal Ma7 has reported that representatives of schools in the Dunajská Streda District recently received sports packs offered by the State Secretariat for Hungarian Communities Abroad. The official ceremonial handover took place in Komárom/Komárno in October, but continued in November thanks to the regional elections of the Association of Hungarian Teachers in Slovakia.



The local charter of regional and minority languages is presented in Magyarkanizsa

On 24 June 2021, on the initiative of the Hungarian National Council and with the support of the Council of Europe, the Board of Representatives of the Municipality of Magyarkanizsa/Kanjiža was the first in Serbia to adopt a local charter of regional and minority languages. The purpose of its adoption and application was to promote the realization of the language rights of the population of Magyarkanizsa. The document and its importance were presented at a professional conference on Tuesday. As President of MNT Jenő Hajnal said, "the local charter can be not only a reference, but also a proof that these rights do belong to us, the Hungarians living here. We have to assert them. On the other hand, the sign of respect for these rights on the part of the majority nation is also that together we are stronger together."



Mentor program also launched in Transcarpathia

The mentor program of the State Secretariat for Hungarian Communities Abroad has also been launched in Transcarpathia. The aim of the program is to train experienced entrepreneurs to be mentors and create a professional environment that helps entrepreneurs in Hungarian communities abroad.



Potápi: Hungary believes in a unified nation and Carpathian Basin

Speaking at the closing ceremony of the third phase of the mentor program in Osijek, Eastern Slavonia, on Thursday, State Secretary for Hungarian Communities Abroad Árpád János Potápi said Hungary believes in a unified nation and Carpathian Basin, also in terms of education, culture, media and the economy. Addressing Hungarian news agency MTI, Mr. Potápi said that besides economic growth programs, bringing Hungarian entrepreneurs together in a network is an important stage of this program. He added that in this way businesses as well as the economy will get stronger.