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My name is Hajni, I'm from Budapest, Hungary, and I am a veterinarian. I graduated in February, and from the beginning of March until the end of April I participated in a postgraduate Erasmus+ programme in the University of Veterinary Medicine and Pharmacy in Kosice.

First I was really hesitating if I should go for this programme, as it was not obligatory for my studies anymore, and it was tempting to finally start to work after so many years of studying- but in the end I still decided to take part of this programme and travel to Kosice for 2 months. And it turned out, it was one of the best decisions of my life!

Mario Segurado Benito, who is responsible for the international students, was really-really helpful from the beginning, and even after I arrived, he was always there to help me with every question I had. He always had a good word for us, when we met him at the Campus of the University.

I spent my mobility in the Small Animal Clinic of UVMP. About the people working there, I also only can say good things. Everybody was really helpful, they always found something interesting for me- a good surgery, examination, or just taking care of the hospital patients. I spent hours also in the Internal Medicine, the Surgery and also in the Exotic Animals Department and each one of them were really exciting and had a lot to teach me. I am really grateful to all the teachers and colleagues who had the time and patience to explain me the things in English or also in Hungarian. I would like to highlight separately Agnieszka Balicka and Professor Trbolová, the ophthalmology teachers. I was mostly interested in ophthalmology, that's why I contacted them and they were so opened, helpful and nice to me! They also let me join them in the private clinic of the Professor, and if it would be not enough, Agnieszka herself helped me to get to the clinic every time! The time I was able to spend with them was very interesting and useful, and I will be able to use the knowledge I gained from them in my work in the future.

My life in Kosice out of the University also was unforgettable! I found 2 amazing friends: Natalia from Spain and Gaspere from Italy. I never thought you could get so close to someone you recently met! We had an amazing time together in Slovakia, and even after leaving the country, we keep in contact with each other. I am so thankful that I got to know them, and I hope despite the lot of kilometers between us we can keep in contact and be present in each others lives for a long time!

I also got to know a lot of other international and local people, who I really can be thankful for! There are also a few people who I talk to almost a daily basis. These people I would have never met without this programme.

Some local people say that Kosice is boring and there is not much to do, but I experienced it totally differently, thanks to the ESN Kosice! They organized so many programmes for international students, that we could never be bored!

I really, really recommend it to everyone, even if you're hesitating now, to go to Erasmus at Kosice, because it's worth every minute!

