

Implementation of the "Ecosystem Biodiversity" project co-financed by German-Polish Youth Office (GPYO) as part of the Polish-German Youth Award 2024-2026 competition

# A common path to saving the planet!

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### Competition for the Polish-German Youth Award

During a meeting at the Ahlhorn Blockhouse in Germany from September 14-22, 2025, students from Poland and Germany implemented the "Ecosystem Biodiversity" project, coordinated by the students.

The project is participating in the finals of the Polish-German Youth Award 2024-2026 "Youth Locally - Brilliant!"



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participants will gain knowledge about the biodiversity of ecosystems, the differences between natural and artificial ecosystems, the species occurring in particular ecosystems, their ways of existence and their correlation with the characteristics of a given ecosystem

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acquiring the ability to conduct research and use various research methods, and improving key competences, including mathematics, computer science, communication in foreign languages, social skills, cultural awareness and expression

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developing ways for humans to protect and care for ecosystems and the natural environment, creating materials on this subject, and sharing the acquired knowledge and skills with the local community

### OBJECTIVES OF THE "ECOSYSTEM BIODIVERSITY" PROJECT

# The most important moments of youth cooperation







### JOINT RESEARCH EXPEDITIONS

Young people from Poland and Germany explored the area together and explored various ecosystems.

#### PROJECT WORK

Participants worked together, exchanging experiences and ideas.

#### **EXPLORING THE WORLD**

Together we explored the monuments and cultural heritage of Europe.



# Cultural exchange: sharing traditions

Getting to know the partner's culture and joint activities of young people

Young people from Poland and Germany collaborated to strengthen integration and cultural exchange. Together, they explored traditions, languages, and customs, building intercultural bridges and forging lasting friendships.





## Meetings with experts

During the project, we had the opportunity to meet a local naturalist who, during a bike ride around the area, introduced us to the Ahlhorn forest ecosystem, its richness, and its species. A spokeswoman for the Lower Saxony State Forests told us about the role of forests in the economy. A politician from Oldenburg also visited us, expressing support and appreciation for our initiative.

We are happy that along the way we meet passionate people who help us learn and develop more, and we can share the idea of caring for the natural environment and ecosystems in our local community!

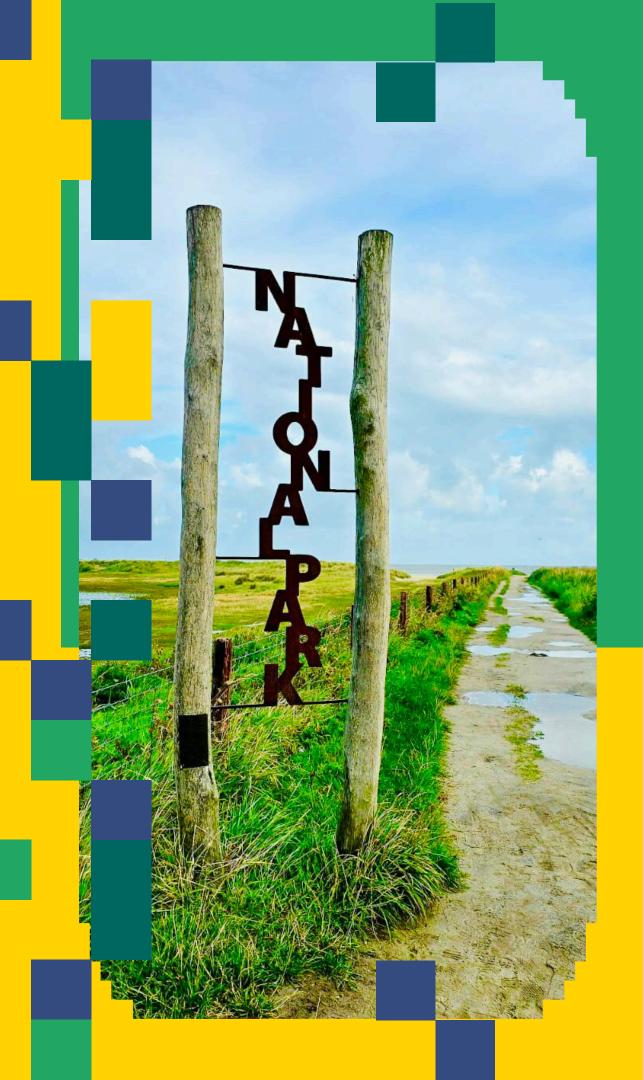












### Visit to the Wadden Sea

We had the opportunity to visit a unique place - one of Germany's three UNESCO World Heritage Sites - an extraordinary landscape created by tidal flows, a unique habitat for over 10,000 species, and the largest ecosystem of its kind in the world! During a cruise on a real fishing boat, we had the opportunity to observe the catch and learn about the species inhabiting the Wadden Sea.

The richness and beauty of nature, its uniqueness and exceptionality must be a source of fascination for man and a jewel that must be carefully guarded!

















### Exploring monuments and culture

Thanks to our intense project work, we managed to find time to explore Germany's beautiful cities, monuments, culture and traditions. Together, we wandered the charming streets of Bremen and Oldenburg in the autumn sunshine.

We are happy that part of our project is also learning about monuments, culture and traditions, because although they were not created by nature, they still arouse admiration!



### We create our own ecosystems

During workshops in international groups, we designed and created our own ecosystems - forests in jars - using natural materials and species collected from the area.

We admire nature, its incredible creativity, and its richness! We want others—like us—to be fascinated by it, and to care for and protect it in everything they do!









### Eco creative workshops

Thanks to creative workshops using natural and readily available materials, we realized that there's no need to buy new things to create beautiful decorations and everyday items.

To support nature and the environment, we use our ideas, creativity, and willingness to work, and the results are amazing!



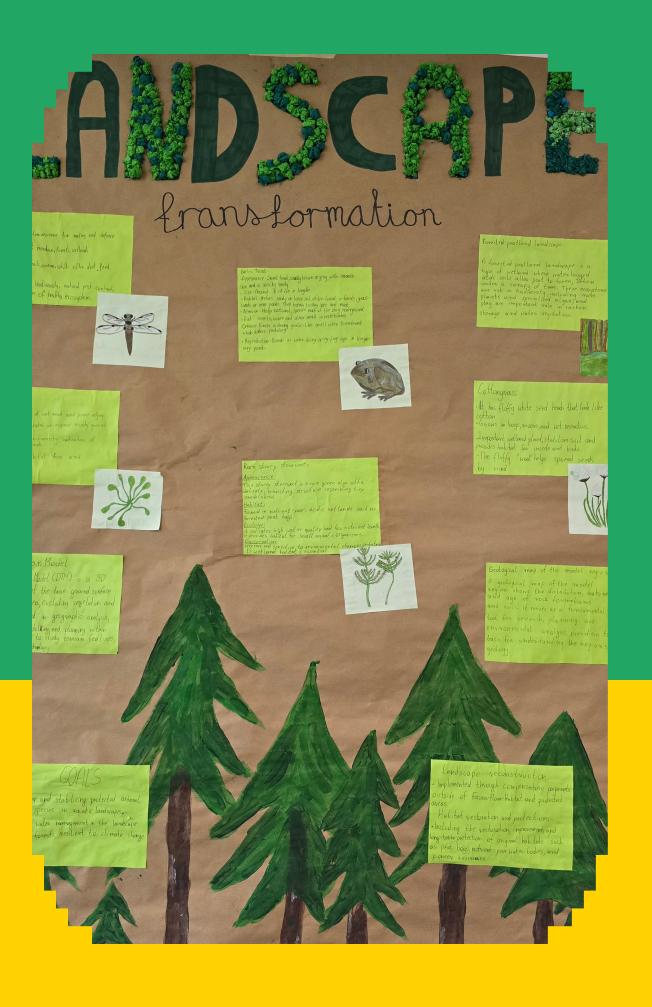












### Project results

The results of our project - in addition to the acquired knowledge, skills, and competencies - are also the products of our workshop work - beautiful ecosystems in jars, decorations and pendants, as well as posters and leaflets that we will be able to share with our school community (students, teachers, and parents) and inspire them with the idea of caring for the natural environment and ecosystems.

During classes and workshops, we created materials and results that we will share with others so that they can also care for nature!





