Welcome day in Granadilla de Abona (Tenerife) for the second project meeting in Spain. Teachers and students from 5 countries: Spain, Slovenia, Poland, Netherlands and Italy.



In the morning and partly in the afternoon all the students got involved with their power point presentations on the topic of *Soil loss and protection of arable land*, as well as on the results of their pedological workshops.



Visiting the partner's school...

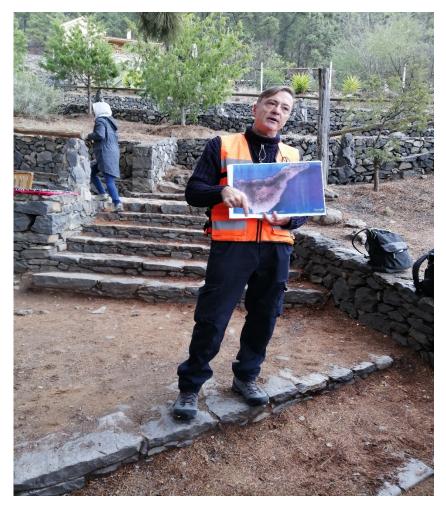


Late in the afternoon the audience judged a selection of works to establish the results of the EarthKam competition and the computer graphics competition.

Poland and Slovenia shared the first price for the best photos from the satellite... but the WINNER for the best computer graphics on the topic "Save soil" was... ITALY.



Second day meeting in Tenerife: a didactic visit to Teide volcano, in the Parque Nacional de Las Caňadas with the help of a very good guide, Mr Alexis, from the INVOLCAN Institution.



Teide is the highest mountain in Spain and the third highest volcano in the world as well as a UNESCO heritage. An astonishing landscape, both for the endemic plants and the type of soil. We could observe the two types of lava flow, the pāhoehoe (calm sea) type, which is smoother, due to a fluid magma, and the 'a'ā (rough sea) type, rougher, due to a more viscous magma. It had snowed on the previous days and its top was white, almost invisible because of some clouds.



Later, we went to the Centro de Visitantes de El Portillo, within the National Park, where different types of volcanic rocks are catalogued.



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Laurissilva - the laurel forest - an enchanted forest where visitors can enjoy endemic trees and flowers along mountainous paths. This is what the partners of the Erasmus+ project "Let's talk about soil" admired in the morning of their third day in Tenerife. Here, humidity is at its maximum due to a constant, *horizontal rain* - which visitors can notice even when it's sunny - in the shape of tiny raindrops on plants and leaves, while trees are completely wrapped with moss.



In the afternoon, teachers and students admired San Cristobal de La Laguna, the ancient capital of Tenerife and now a UNESCO heritage. Here a guide showed the most beautiful places of the city: the Cathedral bell tower, the oldest school in Tenerife, streets and buildings from the Colonial period, the Museum of History and Anthropology (MHA), etc.











On the fourth day of the meeting in Tenerife all the five teams involved in the Erasmus+ project 'Let's talk about soil' left the Island to reach another Canarian island, i. e. Gran Canaria, by boat.

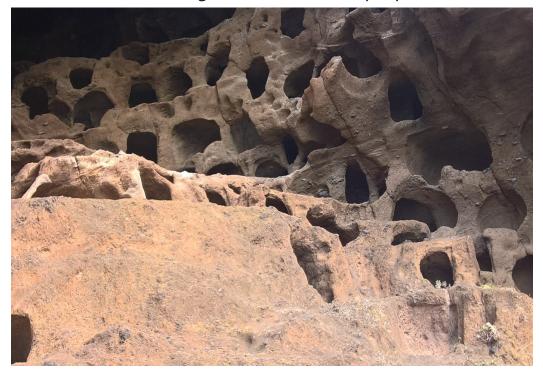


The group visited Maipés de Agaete (an aboriginal necropolis), Cenobio de Valerón (an aboriginal collective silo) and Cueva Pintada in the city of Gàldar (to learn about aboriginal daily life).

The tomb of those who played an important role in society, politics or religious life is impressive in size and is crowned with a superimposed turret. They are large and generably located in high, central positions. There are six of them in the cemetery.



The silo in Cenobio de Valerón is very ancient and it was used to save grains from robbery, lagusters and other natural calamities, so to be used when there wasn't enough food for all the people.



Cueva Pintada is a fascinating place where it is possible to learn about aborigenes' way of life. Discovered by chance, it offers the visitors the possibility to give a look at prehistoric homes and domestic tools in a museum.



The last but not the least... the Italian team and the Polish team on their last day in Tenerife (the Dutch and the Slovenian teams had already left it). The pedologigal workshop in Valeflor showed the soil in that part of the island as well as let the two teams learn about flowers, plants, cereals, vegetables, some of which are very ancient and used to make traditional dishes.

