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European Neighbours' Day 2008 « A great Vintage »

7.5 million participants, 28 countries: these impressive figures speak for themselves : and confirm that **European Neighbours' Day has become the first Neighbours' meeting with the constant participation of new cities and new countries.** It also helps create stronger links between cities: European citizens will communicate and celebrate together with direct exchanges through big screens located in several European capitals.

Such a successful event deserved full exposure, it is now the case with our new internet website that you are kindly invited to visit: you will discover enthusiastic images and testimonies from all over Europe on www.european-neighbours-day.eu

This year European Neighbours' Day was also awarded « **Partner of Intercultural Dialogue 2008** » for its good citizen practices.

The European Commission declared the year 2008 as the European Year of Intercultural Dialogue. The EYID recognizes that Europe's great cultural diversity represents a unique advantage. It will encourage all those living in Europe, particularly young people, to promote an active European citizenship opened on the world as does European Neighbours' Day. The active involvement of civil society and other stake holders, at a European, national and local level, will be essential in building conditions for people to "live better together". **It is as such that Neighbours' Day has been identified as a good practice of the Intercultural Dialogue.**

**Let's live together better,
Join us on May 27th,
For the sixth edition of European Neighbours' Day!**

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