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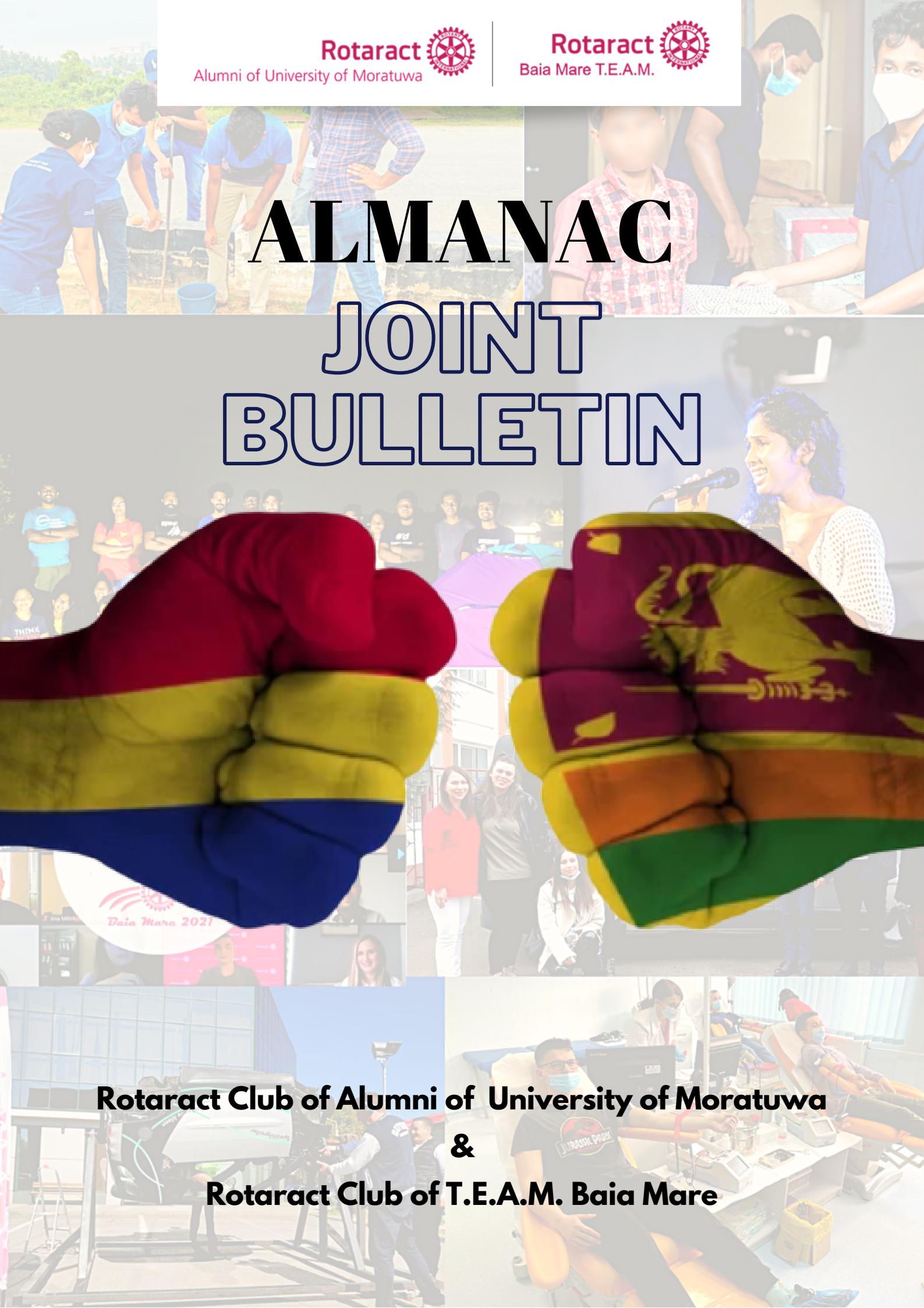


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Baia Mare T.E.A.M.

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BULLETIN



Rotaract Club of Alumni of University of Moratuwa
&
Rotaract Club of T.E.A.M. Baia Mare

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President's Message

Rotaract Club of Alumni of University of Moratuwa



Dear Rotaractors,

It's glad to share my thoughts for the joint bulletin of Rotaract Clubs of Alumni of University of Moartuwa and T.E.A.M. Baia Mare. As Rotaract is a perfect platform to build new friendships beyond the borders, this is a solid initiation for both clubs to share their memories and knowledge worldwide.

Rotaract Alumni Mora is thriving with the vision of embracing positive changes to open up more opportunities to make an impact on the lives of the people we serve by going by the theme "Empowering Change to Enrich Lives". The club has won many accolades and recognitions for its initiatives over the past years.

I believe that the bond between both clubs can make a path to sustainable and impactful projects in the future and provide a better impact for the International Service avenue in Rotaract.

Thank you,

**Rtr. Kavinda Senarathne
President 2021-22
Rotaract Club of Alumni of University of Moratuwa**

President's Message

Rotaract Club of T.E.A.M. Baia Mare



In a world where isolation and loneliness seem to have taken over in the last two years, connections are more important than ever. It is for that reason that we are extremely grateful to be able to form international friendships such as this.

We are united in values and the dedication towards bringing a positive impact around us. Our connection and our shared actions are our contribution to building a better, more peaceful and more healthy world around us.

Thank you,

**Rtr. Ioan Borota
President 2021-22
Rotaract Club of T.E.A.M. Baia Mare**

Joint Projects

Joint General Meeting & Cultural Exchange

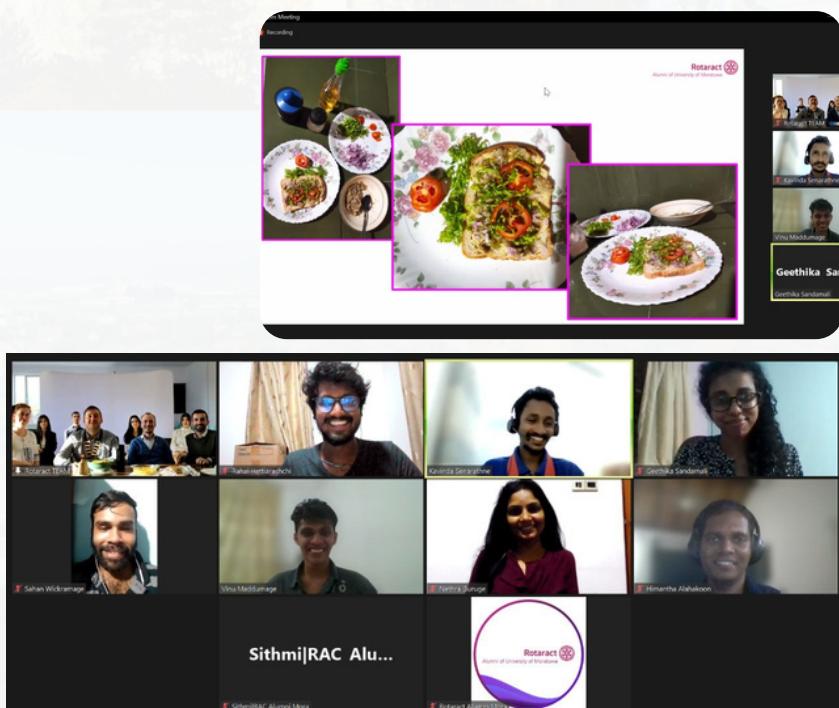
The Co-International Service Director, Rotaract Club of Alumni University of Moratuwa - Rtr. Vinu Maddumage commenced the meeting by giving the welcome speech.

Afterwards, the members from the two clubs introduced themselves to get to know each other.

Signing of the twin club agreement was done next by sharing the related documents virtually and placing the signatures by both the presidents.

The Joint meeting was followed by a cultural exchange to have a better understanding about the cultures and the so far experience of the two clubs by sharing details about the country and its different cultural values in music, cuisines, places of attraction and other traditional & cultural practices.

The meeting concluded with a friendly discussion sharing the experience and the taste of exchanged cuisines.



Twin Club Agreement



ROTARY INTERNATIONAL DISTRICT 3220
SRI LANKA & MALDIVES



ROTARACT TWIN CLUB AGREEMENT

The following twin agreement is between,

ROTARACT CLUB OF ALUMNI OF UNIVERSITY OF MORATUWA

[RI DISTRICT 3220]

&

ROTARACT CLUB OF T.E.A.M. Baia Mare

[RI DISTRICT 2241]



ROTARACT CLUB INFORMATION

Name of Club	Rotaract Club of Alumni of University of Moratuwa
RI District Number	3220
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ROTARACT CLUB INFORMATION

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AGREEMENT PERIOD OF VALIDITY

This Rotaract Club Twin Club Agreement commencing from 15.02.2022 shall be valid till the 15.02.2023 provided that the conditions annexed to this are met by both Rotaract Clubs.

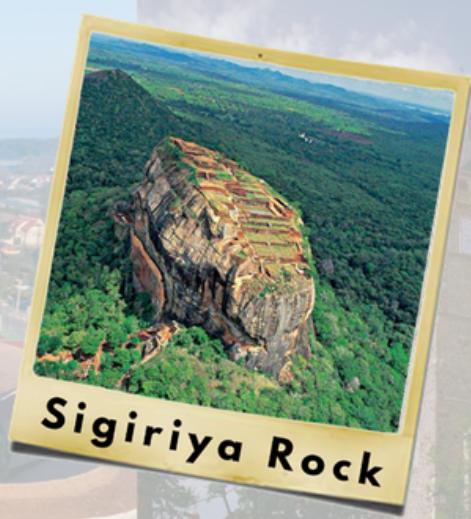
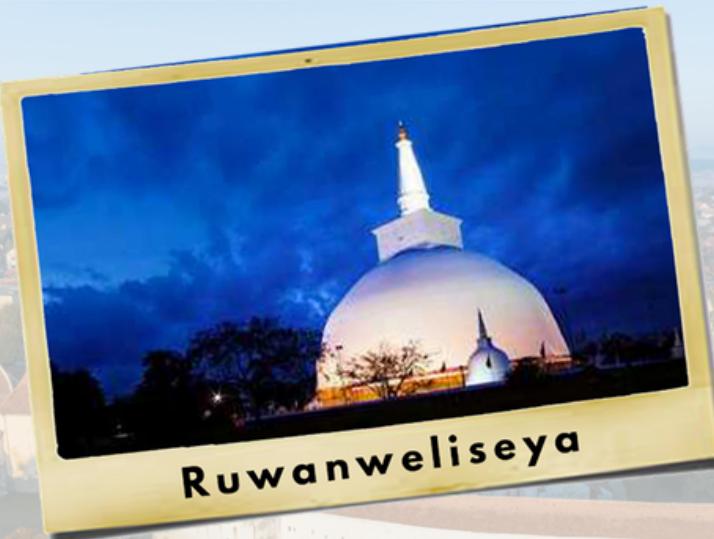
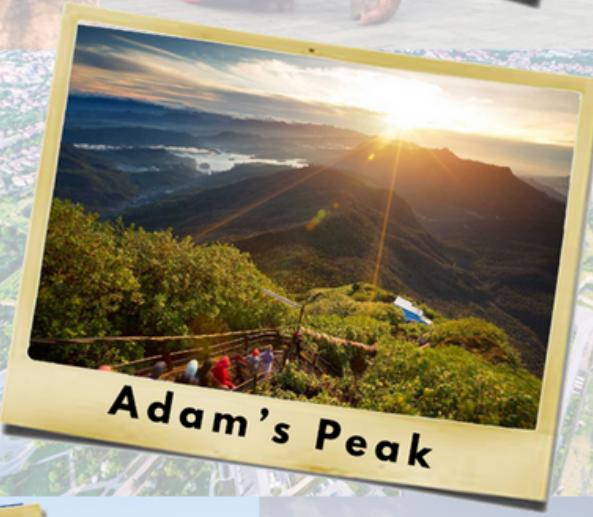
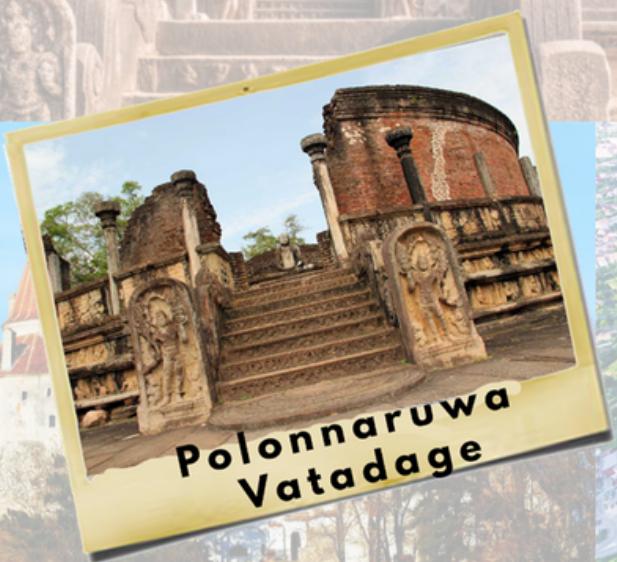
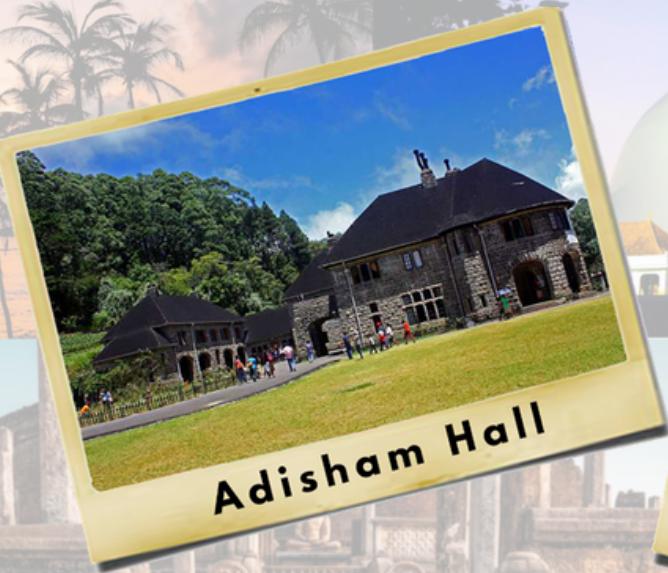
Club President Endorsement

By signing below, we jointly approve and recognize the establishment of the twin club agreement between the aforementioned Rotaract Clubs.

RTR. Kavinda Senaratne
President 2021-2022
RAC Alumni University of Moratuwa
RI District 3220 – Sri Lanka & Maldives

RTR. Ioan Borota
President 2021-2022
RAC T.E.A.M. Baia Mare
RI District 2241 Romania and Republic of Moldova

Historical Places in Sri Lanka



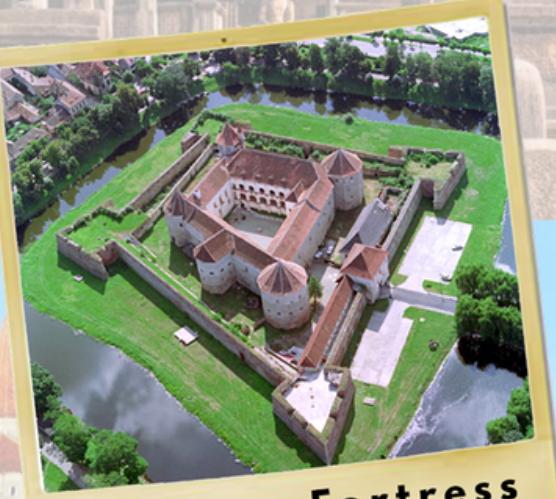
Historical Places in Romania



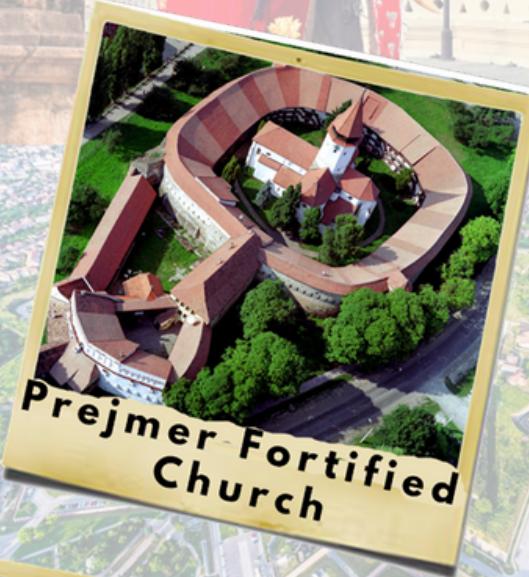
Alba Iulia Citadel



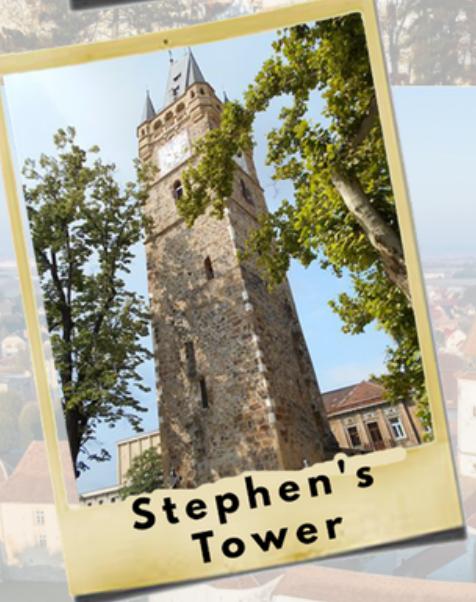
Bran Castle



Fagaras Fortress



Prejmer Fortified Church



Stephen's Tower



Mineralogy Museum

Joint Projects

Stronger Together

The war in Ukraine had a devastating impact on the country's people. People have been forced to move out of their homes and even out of their country to find aid as refugees in neighboring countries.

Romania being a country sharing the southern border of Ukraine has had thousands of such refugees coming in each day during the past few months. In addition to this there are Ukrainian who are unable to leave Ukraine as refugees due to regulations that have been set.

Considering the unfortunate situation faced by Ukrainians due to this war we as Rotaractors of Rotaract club of Alumni of University of Moratuwa, Sri Lanka (RID 3220) together with Rotaract club of T.E.A.M Baia Mare, Romania (RID 2241) brings "Stronger Together", a fundraising campaign to send materials such as blankets and disposable tableware that are required help support the refugees in Romania.



Joint Projects

ReYOUse It

The members of both clubs got together and discussed the projects that could help in protecting nature. The root cause for selecting this concept was that, reuse reduces air, water and land pollution, and limits the need for seeking new natural resources, such as timber, petroleum, fiber and other materials.

Finally came up with the project "ReYOUse It" and both club members created different vivid items reusing the disposable items.

The members from the Rotaract Club of Alumni of University of Moratuwa, created "Vesak lanterns" by reusing plastic bottles thrown to waste.



Joint Projects

ReYOUse It

Wood (shipping) pallets are used typically to store and ship things owing to their rigid framework that keeps its contents safe. They are made out of various panels of wood carpentered together.

They can be reused again and again, and eventually a worn-out pallet will be utilized as energy for heating. In some cases pallets are being left behind in favor of the new ones so we decided to use them as a main resource in our project.

In order to protect the environment as much as possible, the members from the Rotaract Club of T.E.A.M. Baia Mare took some pallets from a local firm and used them to build some home made furniture for the youth center in Baia Mare. They can hold a lot of weight so it's safe for the teenagers to sit or even walk on them.



Signature Projects

Rotaract Club of Alumni of University of Moratuwa

1. Kindred Kidneys



Chronic Kidney Disease (CKD) has threatened hundreds of Sri Lankans and the number of deaths due to Chronic Kidney Disease (CKD) has kept increasing each passing year. Kindred Kidneys (KK) is a project, which was first initiated by the Rotaract Club of Alumni of University of Moratuwa in the year 2019 as an international service initiative with the Rotaract Club of Kairós Xalapa (District 4185). In 2019, the project was also launched in Egypt, Bolivia and Mexico, to aid Kidney patients in each country by conducting awareness sessions and donating equipment for hospitals which are necessary for dialysis treatments. These projects were conducted by Rotaract Club of Alexandria Sporting, Egypt (District 2451), Rotaract Club de Kairos Xapala, México (District 4185) and Rotaract Santa Cruz D-4690, Bolivia (Distrito 4690).

CKD is showing little progress in improving in Sri Lanka due to lack of physical resources and inability to tackle the root cause of the disease. It is stated that a major factor contributing to a large number of CKD cases in rural areas in Sri Lanka may be the poor water quality in these areas which are contaminated by various fertilizers which are used for vegetation. Therefore, over the years Kindred Kidneys have consolidated its position as a signature project under the Community Service Avenue with the aim of focusing solely on the CKD epidemic in Sri Lanka.

Kindred Kidneys works closely with the Samastha Lanka Kidney Patients Association (SLKPA) which is a non-profit association which is established for the welfare of kidney patients in Sri Lanka. The association is led by senior medical consultants in the field and currently, the main objectives of this project are to increase awareness regarding Chronic Kidney Disease (CKD) among the general public and to provide physical resources to clinics who offer treatments for Chronic Kidney Disease (CKD) in Sri Lanka. Accordingly, two main phases were planned under "Kindred Kidneys" for the year 2021-22. Aiming to help the patients suffering from Chronic Kidney Disease (CKD), by funding the SLKPA (Samastha Lanka Kidney Patients Association) for their Dialysis treatment and medications for kidney patients and extending a helping hand to Daluggala M.V. in facilitating the school's sanitary requirements with a complete washroom built are the main phases.



Signature Projects

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2. Fellowship Diaries

Fellowship Diaries was a novel initiative by Rotaract Club of Alumni of University of Moratuwa which aimed to uplift fellowship not only among Rotaractors but also among Rotaractors and third-party organizations in order to strengthen the service element within the global movement of Rotaract while bringing an adventurous experience for its participants. In bringing this ideology into action, the Club service team of Rotaract Club of Alumni of University of Moratuwa brought Fellowship Diaries by building up collaborations between members of Rotaract Club of Alumni of University of Moratuwa, Rotaract Club of Trincomalee and members of Mora Hiking Club. Accordingly, two sub-projects namely; 'Nagenahirata Nagam' and 'Martello - Beach Camp' were organized by the team.

Sub project 1: Nagenahirata Nagam



Nagenahorata Nagam, is a joint initiative by the Rotaract Club of Alumni of the University of Moratuwa and Rotaract Club of Trincomalee which blended service and fellowship aspects together giving Rotaractors of both clubs an unforgettable experience. The fellowship visit which started on 4th December from Colombo comprised Rotaractors from Rotaract Club of Alumni of University of Moratuwa who met the Rotaractors of Rotaract Club of Trincomalee at Trincomalee and engaged in several collaborative activities during the two days.

Accordingly, a joint general meeting was held on 4th December at the Rotary House Trincomalee along with a cultural food exchange which symbolized the blending of two cultures. The second day of the visit was spent getting a unique experience in the eastern province. The team of Rotaractors engaged in insight visiting around Koneshwaram Kovil, Hot water wells and Nilaweli beach. The support that Rotaract Alumni Mora members got from the members of our fellow Rotaractors from Rotaract Club of Trincomalee was one of the success factors that made Nagenahirata Nagam truly achieve its objectives as a unique fellowship experience. The bond that members developed throughout the visit could redefine new friendships while opening doors to new service initiatives in the future of the two clubs.

Sub project 2: Martello Beach Camp



The second episode of Fellowship Diaries, Martello Beach Camp, was a Beach Camp that was organized in collaboration with Mora Hiking Club. The project took place on 17th and 18th of March at the Kudawa Beach. The beach camp comprised participants from the Rotaract Club of Alumni of University of Moratuwa and Mora Hiking Club .

This was a brand-new experience for all the participants as it provided all the participants with a remarkable experience. The trip to Kudawa beach started on 17th of March evening and comprised different activities such as sea bathing, camping, bonfire and an adventurous hiking experience.

The evening sunset by the beach presented all the photography enthusiasts a scenic view. On the night of 17th, the participants held a bonfire including multiple enjoyable activities like singing and fun-filled games.

This enabled the Rotaractors and the members of the Mora Hiking Club to strengthen their bond which immensely helped the Martello Mangrove plantation program to be a successful collaboration.



Signature Projects

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3. Contadora

Project “Contadora” is a brand-new project which is the signature project of the Club Service Avenue. It was introduced targeting the fresh graduates and young professionals who are in the onset of their professional careers. Majority of the members of RAC Alumni of University of Moratuwa fall under this target demographic which was vital to identify the Professional Development aid which should be extended to technical graduates in order to improve their quality of life.

The project aims to educate young technical professionals on Financial Management and Investment opportunities which are available in Sri Lanka. The project scope was to educate the graduates on the current situation of Colombo Stock Exchange, provide tools to manage their personal finances and to guide them to invest in reliable investment opportunities while avoiding scams.



Budgeting

One of the **first building blocks** of a successful personal finance plan is the **ability to budget**.

- How to follow a monthly spending plan
- Ways for lowering your monthly bills
- How to handle accrued debt
- How to distinguish between short-term, medium and long-term goals
- A breakdown of family needs

"A budget is telling your money where to go instead of wondering where it went"

Saving

Available Savings Institutions

- Licensed Commercial Banks and Specialized Banks registered with the Central Bank of Sri Lanka
- Licensed Non-Banking Financial Institutions registered with the Central Bank of Sri Lanka
- Rural Banks
- Corporative Societies
- Samurdhi / Divineguma banks
- Farming societies
- Pawnshops
- Licensed Micro Finance Companies (Only from borrowers)
- Licensed Non-Government Micro-Finance Institutions (Only from borrowers)

Investing

Investment is the act **Accumulating Capital** leading to **Accumulation of Wealth** and related **Stream of Income and Capital Gain**

Important Aspects of Investments

- Critical and patient examination of alternative investment opportunities
- Designing feasible investment plans with time dimensions for implementation
- Implementing in stages with clear targets at each stage
- Assessing the progress of investment plans in line with the projected returns

Signature Projects

Rotaract Club of Alumni of University of Moratuwa

4. Debractor 2.0

"Debractor 2.0", is a series of debating competitions initiated as a joint project of Rotaract Alumni Mora and Rotaract Club of Kathmandu. The project focuses on sharing ideas on important topics among Rotaractors with the intention to add value to their perspectives. The project is planned to be carried out in 2 phases. The impartial moderator of the debate in both the phases was Rtr. PP Abhijeet Venkatraman Balaji, RAC Coimbatore Millennium, District Trainer, RID 3201- India. The debating event had 3 stages, the first stage "90MM", to present the idea, the second stage, "Do Really" as a questionnaire raised by opponents on each other. The final stage, "Ding Dong" was an opportunity for the audience to present their views on the same.



- **Phase 1**

The debate was on whether "COVID-19 was/wasn't a barrier to render Rotaract services". The five Rotaractors each, from the two organizing clubs were shuffled and split into two debating teams to debate together as a team. More than 70 participants from different Rotaract clubs from Sri Lanka, Nepal, Kenya, Mexico, Indonesia and India also witnessed this thought provoking debate.

Moderator
Rtr. PP Abhijeet Venkatraman Balaji
District Trainer
Rotaract Club of Coimbatore Millennium
RID 3201

TEAM A	COVID-19 was a barrier to render Rotaract Services	TEAM B	COVID-19 wasn't a barrier to render Rotaract Services
Adhar Westi	Dulaj Dilshan	Shrishav Adhikari	Chamal Kuruppu
Diwa Ghimire	Akhila Seneviratne	Paveen Perera	
Sahan Wickramage	Bipin Neupane		Apar Westi

• Phase 2

The debate was on whether “More money should/ shouldn't be spent on space exploration rather than for global welfare”. The five Rotaractors each, from the five Rotaract clubs were shuffled and split into two debating teams to debate together as a team. The teams consisted of a blend of talented Rotaractors from the Rotaract Club of Alumni University of Moratuwa (RID 3220), Rotaract Club of Battambang Youth (RID 3350), Rotaract Club Città di Clusone (RID 2042), Rotaract Club of Kathmandu (RID 3292), and Rotaract Club of Mawlana Bhashani Tangail (RID 3281).

Moderator
Rtr. PP Abhijeet Venkatraman Balaji
District Trainer
Rotaract Club of Coimbatore Millennium
RID 3201

TEAM A	More money shouldn't be spent on space exploration rather than for global welfare.	TEAM B	More money should be spent on space exploration rather than for global welfare.
Ajay Kumar Yadav Rotaract Club of Kathmandu	Chrek Pothilin Rotaract Club of Battambang Youth		
Alessandro Pojaga Rotaract Club Città di Clusone	Elisa Pojaga Rotaract Club Città di Clusone		
Ashraf Antar Rotaract Club of Mawlana Bhashani Tangail	Malitha Gunawardhana Rotaract Alumni Mora		
Jayami Alwis Rotaract Alumni Mora	Pragya Karki Rotaract Club of Kathmandu		
Langdy Soen Rotaract Club of Battambang Youth	Sudishna Khanal Rotaract Club of Kathmandu		

Signature Projects

Rotaract Club of T.E.A.M. Baia Mare

1. Donate Blood, Save Lives!

Our project, "Donate Blood, Save Lives!" started in 2013.

In Romania, the average donor is below 2%, the need for blood being covered in a proportion of only 60%. However, every 3 seconds a person has a vital need for blood.

The project aims to bring to the public's attention the urgent need for blood, to make the blood collection procedure known and to inform the population about this need.

The aim of the project is to increase the number of blood donors in Maramureş County in particular, but we also managed to contribute to increasing the number of donors at national level, the project became a districtual one, can be organized by all Rotaract clubs in Romania and the Republic of Moldova.

In recent years, at the level of Maramureş County, we have managed, together with the administration of the Maramureş Transfusion Center, to increase the number of blood donors, which makes us happy.



This project also received recognition at county level, obtaining the title of Project of the Year in the Health category, in 2019, 2018 and 2016, in the Volunteer Gala in Maramureş, but also national recognition, in 2018 obtaining the 2nd place in the Health category in Romanian Youth Gala.

The main financing channel of the project consists in organizing the BALL OF HEARTS, a charity event that aims to involve the society in fundraising, but also sponsorships and grants from local and county public institutions. The funds raised at the last two editions of the Ball were used to purchase a vehicle, necessary for the mobile blood collection in Maramures County.

During the last year, we managed to organize the raffle with monthly prizes, being offered smartwatches, subscriptions to gyms, vouchers for dental services, etc.



Signature Projects

Rotaract Club of T.E.A.M. Baia Mare

2. Ball of Hearts

The Ball of Hearts is an event created by Rotaract TEAM Baia Mare members, with editions every year since 2015, being an integral part of the project „Donate Blood, Save Lives!”. This is primarily a charity event, created to raise funds to improve donor comfort and make the blood donation process as accessible as possible.



In the previous editions, we managed to transform what we call the donor circuit, at the "Maramureş Blood Transfusion Center", by renovating a bathroom, renovating and beautifying the rooms for donors, replacing pieces of furniture, purchasing a special chair for apheresis and last but not least, the purchase of a platelet agitator, the latter being donated to the "Dr. Constantin Opriş Maramureş County Emergency Hospital", as support for starting the procedure for setting up a new blood collection point in Maramureş County.

In the 2019 and 2020 editions, the funds raised were redirected for the purchase of a vehicle in order to move the medical staff to the mobile collections in Maramureş County.

The Ball of Hearts also offers us the opportunity to bring together, in an elegant and relaxing setting, those important members of the community who contribute and get involved in such initiatives.

The Ball of Hearts has been and continues to be a place where people who resonate with values such as friendship, altruism and active citizenship meet. We strongly believe that the active involvement of the community and our support can contribute to the achievement of the goals set each year at the Ball of Hearts, in the shortest possible time because, when it comes to a person's health or life, the time he receives aid is measured in the smallest units of measurement.

Signature Projects

Rotaract Club of T.E.A.M. Baia Mare

3. .BalkanAct

BalkanAct began as an idea of bringing together young enthusiasts who share the values of Rotary and are willing to improve both their leadership and teamwork skills in order to contribute to their communities' development. So far, it has grown into a huge conference with over hundred participants coming from all over the Balkans.

One of the missions of BalkanAct is also creating (and maintaining!) strong professional networks between Rotaract members in Balkan countries that will give them a chance to make positive changes together through long-term cooperation and mutual support in time to come.



Rotaract TEAM Baia Mare hosted the latest edition of BalkanAct in 2021. The multidistrict conference was held online, due to conditions caused by the Coronavirus pandemic.

We prepared a series of discussions on topics of interest and interactive workshops. Topics discussed were:

The importance of Blood Donation in Balkan Countries (speaker Dr. Bogdan Lucian); Climate changes in the Balkans (speakers Tudor Rus & Vlad Mărăzan); Youth during and after the pandemic (speaker András Farkas).

We were more than satisfied with the large number of participants and their interest in the topics discussed. Following this event, our soul project, "Donate blood, save lives!", became an international one, being implemented in 8 districts.

Signature Projects

Rotaract Club of T.E.A.M. Baia Mare

4. Drive carefully, choose life!

Every year in our country there are thousands of road accidents caused by aggressive driving and reckless behavior. This is also one of the reasons why Rotaract TEAM Baia Mare, in partnership with the Romanian Police, carries out the campaign "Drive carefully, choose life!".

During this campaign, drivers were able to test an accident simulator to notice the importance of speed adjustment and the use of seat belts.

The drivers who drove through Baia Mare, during the campaign, without wearing a seat belt, were stopped by the police, but did not receive a fine or penalty points, but a lesson. They were invited to the accident simulator to realize how important it is to wear a seat belt. Statistics show that in the world, every 6 minutes, a person dies or is seriously injured in a road accident. The drivers - surprised that they were not wearing seat belts - accepted the challenge of the police. Following the experiment, most of them came down from the simulator with a smile on their face, happy that it was just a test.



Our Team



Rtr. Ionut Borota

President 2021-22

Rotaract Club of T.E.A.M. Baia Mare



Rtr. Kavinda Senarathne

President 2021-22

Rotaract Club of Alumni of UoM



Rtr. Andrei Barboloviciu

Past President 2019-20

Rotaract Club of T.E.A.M. Baia Mare



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Secretary 2021-22

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Rtr. Andreea Vascu

President elect 2021-22

Rotaract Club of T.E.A.M. Baia Mare



Rtr. Rahal Hettiarachchi

Vice President - IS Avenue 2021-22

Rotaract Club of Alumni of UoM

Our Team



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Co -Director - IS Avenue 2021-22
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Rtr. Nethra Guruge

Project chair - United We Stand
Rotaract Club of Alumni of UoM



Thank You!



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