Galilean Nights Event ID: gn1,110

Number of telescopes: 1 teleskope

Number of organisers: 1 Number of attendees: 100

Event Report: "Just like Galilei"

Together with many people all over the world, we noted the Galilean Nights. We delegated the task to our small telescope on the city square to reveal as close as possible the observations of Galilei he did over 400 years ago.

Many people saw with their own eyes that the moon is "rugged" and that Jupiter has satellites. The observing people were from different ages and had different lifestyles. Some of them had a look through a telescope for first time in their lives. They could not hide their emotions and the fact that they had felt just like Galilei. Others were a bit disappointed. I think that was based on the fact that there were so many pictures of the outer space, of the planets, of the stars and so on in the internet taken by cosmic telescopes and by the huge observatories on the Earth. And these people compared those professional scenes to what they could see by the limited abilities of our small telescope. That on the other side became a point of reflection upon the huge scientific advance thanks to the beginning set by Galilei.

Everyone who took part in the observation received educational materials: a copy of the original drawings of Galilei and a badge with the logo of Galilean nights.

Such demonstrational observations will be done in the future as well, so that the average people have the chance of taking a look at other objects observed by Galilei – the spots on the Sun, the rings of Saturn, Venus, the stars of the Milky way as well as other celestial objects and occurrences.