

## Community & Development Lab (Cursul de Dezvoltare Liberă)

This fall, the 4th edition of CDL took place, and the 5th one is ongoing. The fall edition was the first one in this format, previous editions being held in spring and addressed mainly to first year students. But this edition was addressed to those from the second year (although we had two 1st year students), somehow more experienced. The students and mentors, together with the project distribution is presented below.

The course has had a great success among the students, not only because of the projects they worked on, but also because of the great connections they made and consolidated with each other, working in a team and, of course, during our trip into the mountains.

The trip was awaited by all of us, especially the students, as they were in the exams period and they wanted to have fun, of course. Everyone wanted to have a snow fight, and we couldn't wait until we reached the house where we were staying, so the fight started before we reached to our host. The trip was looking promising right from the start. Răzvan Deaconescu had a "talent" of organizing people to fight each other, while he was shouting to his team to hit the others.



At night, we played a lot of games that involved attention, speed, thinking and intuition. Every night extended by itself until 7am. And then we got up at 10am and started having fun again.

We also had some outdoor activities, one involving a trip to a monastery, where we built one snowman and one "snowwoman". During our second day we went skiing; and some of us used the sledge. It was very nice, we had so much fun!

On our way back home, in the train, we also played some games involving mysteries. The ticket inspector was interested, I think deep down he wanted to play too!



Some things the students said in our feedback form about the trip:

✓ **describe the trip in 3 words:**

- "it was awesome"
- "fun, relaxing, imperial"
- "awesome, fun, short"

✓ **discovered something new about ROSEdu:**

- "The dynamics of ROSEdu's community has changed, and those of us who are members for some time can learn from the enthusiasm of new members."
- "that people from ROSEdu are good drinkers."
- "Yes. ROSEdu members don't talk only about Linux and Open-Source."
- "found out more about collaboration between ROSEdu and Ixia and got to know the members that were present better."

✓ **describe the trip in 1-2 sentences:**

- "It was awesome. I got to know all the persons from CDL, a thing I didn't manage to do during the course."
- "I needed this trip for three reasons: to prove me I'm not a robot, to prove me that others are not robots, and to feel alive."
- "We had good weather (a lot of snow, but not that cold), and the villa where we stayed was extraordinary. The best moments were during the group activities: snow fight, snowman building, boardgames, mime. It was a special experience!"



**It seems we all had a lot of fun!**

**Thank you Ixia!**