## "CONTEMPLAÇÕES "

## A SUCCESSFUL COOPERATION BETWEEN GROUPS



On October 21st, quite an outstanding event took place in the impressive and inspiring premises of the Cercle Royal Gaulois. With life slowly getting back to normal, the **Spanish** and **Portuguese** Groups got to work and showed that together we can achieve more!

The event consisted of a concert by **David Schvetz**, a Portuguese Argentinian pianist, and **Pedro Santos**, a Portuguese accordionist, who in perfect harmony offered us a musical journey through time based on different melodies of traditional background, surprising and delighting the whole audience.

Before the first musical note, guests could enjoy a glass of cava, which set the tone for the wonderful evening ahead.

Afterwards, and with the melodies still ringing in everyone's ears, we were treated to a delicious cocktail! A large variety of delightful bites of Spanish specialities such as ham, empanada, tortilla and cheese, followed by the delicious and always welcome Portuguese pastéis de nata accompanied by Portuguese wines, generously offered by the company The Sol Ar - Senses of Portugal.

Being able to meet friends and acquaintances while enjoying delicious bites and toasts with elegant wines - we could not ask for a more perfect combination!

All the guests expressed their enthusiasm both for the concert as well as for the opportunity to get around, meet and chat with friends in a friendly and pleasant atmosphere, after so long a time of restrictions to gatherings.

The organisation of this concert was the result of the coordinated efforts of the **Spanish** and **Portuguese** groups. This collaboration turned out to be very interesting and enjoyable for both parties and, judging by the overall results, it seems that it might be a good approach for the organisation of future events. The Portuguese and Spanish Groups lived up to their reputation as excellent hosts.

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Aurora Herrera Llamas, Spanish Group Ana Maria Nogueira. Portuguese Group

