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ABOUT EURODESK

A network of more than 1000 youth professionals (Multipliers) work with Eurodesk in 34 countries to raise awareness among young people on learning mobility opportunities and to encourage them to become active citizens. As a support organisation to Erasmus+, Eurodesk makes information on learning mobility comprehensive and accessible to young people and those who work with them. For more information, please visit eurodesk.eu.

ABOUT THE EURODESK AWARDS

The Eurodesk Awards were established in 2011 to celebrate the day-to-day work of Eurodesk's local multipliers, who are helping young people discover and seize the numerous opportunities Europe has to offer. In 2017, the initiative was organised for the 6th time receiving a record number of projects (34) from a record number of countries (11). All partners of Eurodesk (multipliers) who are maintaining a day-to-day relation with young people from across Europe were invited to submit their mobility projects in 3 main categories:

- **Mobility Awareness**
Activities/projects aimed at promoting mobility and its benefits to European young people.
- **Active Citizenship**
Activities/projects organized for raising awareness on the importance of active citizenship within Europe and the European Union.
- **Solidarity Actions**
Activities/projects carried out aimed at helping young refugees and/or people with less opportunities by integrating them into society.

There was one additional prize for which all projects competed:

- **The Eurodesk Network Prize**
The Eurodesk network (national coordinators) will choose a project to receive 'The Eurodesk Network Prize'.

After the Eurodesk network chose the winner of the Eurodesk Network Prize, a jury panel decided on the winners of the 3 main categories. Additionally, the jury highlighted three more projects as honorable mentions. In 2017, the jury consisted of

- Safi Sabuni, Erasmus Student Network President;
- Brikena Xhomaqi, Lifelong Learning Platform Director;
- Michail Moschovakos, European Commission DG EAC Representative;
- Reinhard Schwalbach, Eurodesk President.

This publication is issued to showcase the diversity of the projects received in the 2017 edition of the Eurodesk Awards and to share good practice with the Eurodesk network and youth workers.

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**MOBILITY
AWARENESS**

01

INTERNATIONAL BLIND DATES

18 October – 7 November, 2016

Rijeka, Croatia

Regional Youth Info Centre Rijeka – UMKI

www.umki.hr

SUMMARY: Meeting and communication between Croatian youngsters, Erasmus students, and EVS volunteers was encouraged through the form of blind dates, a meeting between two people that have not previously met, arranged by a third party.

OBJECTIVES: To facilitate the communication between youngsters from different countries (Croatian and international students/ volunteers), to help Erasmus students to get in touch with local culture and traditions, to get Croatian youngsters to know about opportunities offered by Erasmus+ programme.



IMPLEMENTATION: The youngsters interested in the project were asked to complete a Google form (distributed via social media channels) with some basic information. The pairs were formed according to interests stated in the form; every person was contacted via Facebook and informed that they were matched with a Croatian/ Erasmus person depending on the case. The only available information regarding the person they were to meet was about clothes they had planned to wear or other visual details! 'International Blind Dates' was conceived by a Romanian volunteer during her EVS project in Rijeka.

RESULTS AND IMPACTS: 42 young people applied to participate in the project: 20 Erasmus students, 1 EVS volunteer and 21 were local Rijeka youngsters. From the total of 21 pairs that were initially formed, 16 went on a date, due to last minute problems of some participants. The participants were required to take a selfie with their "date" and, at the end, to write an informal feedback. It was pleasant to hear that everybody had a great time and were happy they chose to participate.

COMMUNICATION MATERIALS: Website, social media, photos.



02

STOPMOTION MOVIE FOR SCHOOLS OR SOCIAL MEDIA

started on 16.02.2017

Jena, Germany

Euowerkstatt-Jena e.V

www.euowerkstatt-jena.de

HONORABLE
MENTION

SUMMARY: Euowerkstatt-Jena created a 1 minute stop-motion video to attract the attention of young people and address them to check and research about exchange programmes on their own.

OBJECTIVES: Stop motion technique was used to realise something fun, light and colourful to give a positive message to the youngsters. Also the length of the video was conceived to make people want to learn more and not overloaded with information.

IMPLEMENTATION: The video was realised by a volunteer and her mentor together. They created a unique colourful unreal set up, caring about every single detail. The video was published on the internet page and on Facebook; it was also screened in many schools in Jena.

RESULTS AND IMPACTS: Only on Facebook the video reached 2.563 people (without any boost or paid campaign), 20 people shared the video and it had 130 reactions. Many young people visited the Euowerkstatt-Jena desk for the first time after noticing the video at school or from the office window.

COMMUNICATION MATERIALS: Video (full version on the website: <http://euowerkstatt-jena.de/sending>), social media.



03

PHOTO EXHIBITION "FACES OF MOBILITY", YOUTH MOBILITY INFO DAYS

October 2016, Time to Move campaign

Zadar, Croatia

Association for extracurricular activities-CINAZ

www.udrugacinaz.hr

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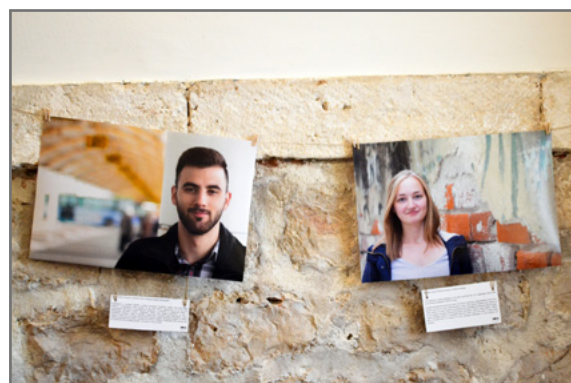
SUMMARY: Association CINAZ organised 'Youth Mobility Info days' during the Time to Move campaign in 2016 with lectures in schools and a photo exhibition as the main activity in promoting youth mobility and Eurodesk's visibility. The photo exhibition "Faces of mobility" represents nine young people (7 Croatian students + 2 foreign students) who experienced programmes of mobility and their stories.

OBJECTIVES: The main objectives of the project were to encourage young people to participate in mobility actions and to remove the prejudice that mobilities opportunities are for privileged young people. The exhibition promoted Eurodesk and the "Time to move" campaign, sending the message that every young person can participate in mobility projects.

IMPLEMENTATION: Photo exhibition 'Faces of mobility' and 'Youth Mobility Info days' were organised in cooperation with Erasmus Student Network Zadar (ESN Zadar), that also served as access door to get in touch with young people who already experienced mobility projects. A volunteer photographer took photos of the participants and edited them for the exhibition, while other volunteers helped to set the exhibition making 'Time to Move' decorations and the 'Time to Move' photo booth.

RESULTS AND IMPACTS: The photo exhibition "Faces of mobility" was opened in the student's club at the University of Zadar for 8 days in October 2016. It is estimated that the exhibition was seen by 800 to 1200 students. CINAZ promoted every photo with its story on the Facebook pages daily. The exhibition received lots of compliments and praise, and it began a tour in Croatia (Zagreb, Karlovac).

COMMUNICATION MATERIALS: Photos, social media.



04

EVS DVD

2016

Dun Laoghaire, Ireland

Crosscare Youth Information Service

<https://youthinfo.crosscare.ie>

SUMMARY: EVS DVD Project is a series of short interviews with Irish young people talking about their experiences of being involved with the European Voluntary Service (why they went, where, how they felt, and benefit gained from being part of the EVS).

OBJECTIVES: To raise awareness among Irish Young people about opportunities and benefits of youth mobility (specifically to marginalised groups, ethnic minority etc.), also taking into account that a low number of Irish young people are participating in EVS projects.



IMPLEMENTATION: The Crosscare Youth Information team took the lead in producing the DVD, that received financial and logistical supports from a range of people and agencies. All the participants in the DVD were young people who had taken part in EVS. The video maker and editor was a young EVS participant from Italy.



RESULTS AND IMPACTS: The DVD was presented at the Eurodesk national Time to Move 2016 event with 70 multipliers from youth organisations, information networks, schools and training centres. It has also been used to promote EVS to young people via Eurodesk multipliers.

COMMUNICATION MATERIALS: Video (full version on Youtube: <https://youtu.be/W-hdZDC3gs4>), printed publication.





PROJECT CATALOGUE

05

DO NOT WAIT! GRAB YOUR DREAMS WITH İBB EURODESK

10 January 2016 - 1 March 2017

Istanbul, Turkey

Istanbul Metropolitan Municipality

<https://erasmusplus.ibb.gov.tr/>

SUMMARY: İBB – Istanbul Metropolitan Municipality Eurodesk Contact Point carried out a series of activities in order to increase its visibility, get in touch with youngsters and inform about European Opportunities.

OBJECTIVES: To provide awareness and reliable information about mobility for the young people; to encourage young people to meet with non-formal learning and to be active citizens.

IMPLEMENTATION:

- Visibility Activities: together with the beginning of the Time to Move activities in October 2016, İBB Eurodesk Contact Point implemented the advertisement “Explore Europe Opportunities with Eurodesk” in order to introduce Eurodesk and its activities to people. This advertisement was hanged on promotion stands, different means of public transportation (buses, metros, tramways, ferries). In order to enhance the Eurodesk visibility, also an advertisement below the householders’ water bills was placed. This was an innovative way to communicate, never used before by social enterprises.
- Facilities for young people: İBB Eurodesk Contact Point is active since 2013. Its office is easily reachable by public transportation and it offers a training room that looks like a café, where young people can spend their time, reading and benefiting from the library, using high-speed internet, drinking tea or coffee (services are all free of charge). This enables young people to gather and talk in a safe and cosy atmosphere and to get closer to Eurodesk services.
- Training and Projects: 2 days of Project Cycle Management training was conducted in February and 40 experts, teachers and responsables from different departments of the municipality Directorates participated. The training was about European opportunities, Key Action 1, and Youth Exchanges.
- English Conversation Club: a way to solve the English speaking problem, helping youngsters to learn the English language with a non-formal method.

RESULTS AND IMPACTS: With regard to the visibility activities, it is calculated that the average passenger numbers of the public transportation in Istanbul is around 3.2 millions of people per day (95 million people per month). Likely, almost all of them were reached by the advertisement about the Eurodesk activities. With the water bill advertisement, the ad reached 17 million Istanbulers. More than 1.000 NGO and youth workers were contacted and 60 people had benefited from the English Conversation Club.

COMMUNICATION MATERIALS: Advertisement on public transportation and on water bills, newsletters, social media, photos, videos.



06

YODA EVS

From 16. December 2016
Zagorje ob Savi, Slovenia
Mladinski center Zagorje
www.mczos.si

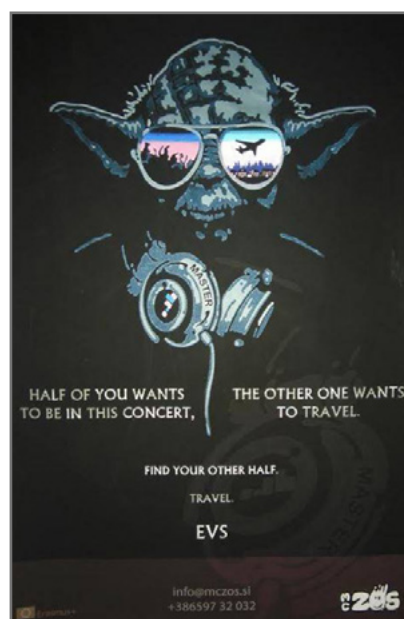
SUMMARY: The Mladinski center Zagorje implemented the promotion of EVS and other learning mobility opportunities during concerts organised inside the youth centre; the promotion was carried on by EVS volunteers and returned Erasmus students through various activities and tools: posters, flyers, games, quizzes and also short rap songs.

OBJECTIVES: The main aim of the project was to inform young people in a fun and unusual way about learning mobility opportunities by including the Eurodesk information activities inside events, like concerts, targeted to reach youngsters. By involving young people in the organisation of the events, the objective was also to encourage them to become active citizens.

IMPLEMENTATION: A Eurodesk infopoint with food, quizzes and games about mobility opportunities was set in front of the entrance to the concert hall. EVS volunteers and Slovenian with a mobility opportunity background (previously involved and mentored) encouraged other young people to play. During the change of the music on the stage, volunteers rapped short songs about mobility and invited people to visit the Eurodesk infopoint to have further information.

RESULTS AND IMPACTS: The activities were included in three music events in the youth centre, and visited by at least 300 participants in total. During the concerts and days after, young people contacted us and asked about learning mobility opportunities, some of them even applied.

COMMUNICATION MATERIALS: Posters, pictures, social media.



07

MY FIRST TIME

06.October 2016. – 15 June 2017
Slavonski Brod, Croatia
Europe House Slavonski Brod
<http://europski-dom-sb.hr>

SUMMARY: “My First Time” is a series of events organised at the local Youth Parliament of Slavonski Brod, targeting all the young people (primary and secondary schools, vocational schools, college students) and bringing together all the institutions and persons involved in the information and counselling in the youth field (teachers, representatives of relevant institution, mentors, but also past participants in mobility projects, parents and the local community). The initiative gathered together and activated young people and youth workers from five Slavonian counties.

OBJECTIVES: The main objective of the project was to enable participants of mobility projects to share their experiences (the best way to engage young people is to let young people motivate other young people!) and to raise awareness about possibilities provided by the European Union for young people in general.



IMPLEMENTATION: The agenda of the meetings included presentations of implemented mobility projects, group work on developing new project ideas and interactive discussions. The crucial point of the action was to have a strong base made out of active youngsters who participated in mobility projects, able to present their experiences to their peers. On each event the Europe House Slavonski Brod tried to bring representatives of relevant institutions (city council, Croatian employment office, youth advisory councils, etc) and to really involve school teachers and the local community. A promotional campaign was carried out on Facebook and through radio interviews.

RESULTS AND IMPACTS: The project has promoted Eurodesk’s work and contributed to Eurodesk’s visibility in Brod-Posavina County and wider region. Around 370 participants took part in the six events and were directly informed about mobility projects. The online campaign “My first time” reached around 10.000 people with 255 likes to Facebook posts.

COMMUNICATION MATERIALS: Social media, website, videos, radio interviews, pictures.



08

EVS COOKBOOK

from October 2016

Pula, Croatia

ZUM Association

www.mladipula.org

SUMMARY: The EVS cookbook is an e-book with traditional recipes from Ukraine and Latvia presented by ZUM Association's EVS volunteers through ZUM's Facebook page and webpage.

OBJECTIVES: The first thing that comes to mind when people think about other countries is the food - the country's culinary tradition. Through recipes from their homeland provided by ZUM's EVS volunteers, ZUM Association wanted to show another element of cultural exchange and thus promote Time to Move in a fun way, that young people can easily understand and share.

IMPLEMENTATION: The first thing was involving the EVS-ers in sharing their culinary culture. The recipes were published on Facebook throughout the duration of the Time to Move campaign and in the end collected in a free e-book available online, along with practical information about Eurodesk and its mission. The inclusion of the hashtags provided by Eurodesk was very useful to create familiarity with Eurodesk and its objectives and to make other people join the initiative (e.g. #TheEVScookbook, to be used on Instagram).

RESULTS AND IMPACTS: The Facebook posts with recipes had a huge reach – 11.410 is the number of people who were reached (for a page that, at the time, had less than 2.000 followers). The big amount of likes on the posts were a clear indicator that the followers really enjoyed the contents provided.

COMMUNICATION MATERIALS: website (link to the cookbook: www.mladipula.org/zgabucin/the-evs-cookbook), social media, pictures, online publication.



09

"DE BCN AL MÓN" AND "JO AL MÓN"

Campaign: 8 November to 1st December 2016 / Contest: October-December 2016

Barcelona, Spain

Ajuntament de Barcelona

<http://ajuntament.barcelona.cat/joves/es>

SUMMARY: "De BCN al Món" ("From Barcelona to the world") campaign was carried out through 15 different workshops and conferences: experts in each field explained opportunities in different countries to encourage young people to do a mobility project. "De BCN al Món" was organised for the 4th time in 2016. The main innovation of this year campaign was the first edition of "Jo al Món" ("Me in the world"), a contest where young people living or that lived abroad could share their experiences to other young people, in the form of text accompanied by photos.

OBJECTIVES: "De BCN al Món" campaign aims to provide relevant information to young people about opportunities abroad, especially in Europe. "Jo al Món" contest was conceived to give visibility to young people studying, working, volunteering or doing an internship abroad. It aimed to give value to each person's experience and make it visible to other young people, empowering peer-to-peer communication and learning.

IMPLEMENTATION: "De BCN al Món" campaign offered a great diversity of actors involved, such as NGOs, foundations specialised in youth mobility, public and private organisations, the Catalan employment office (SOC), embassies and consulates from different countries and cultural organisations, academies, and enterprises. It required a lot of planning but brought high quality to youth information and helped to create and strengthen the local network. In order to promote participation in the "Jo al Món" contest, prizes that could attract young people (sport camera, language courses...) were offered. Young people living abroad or those who already came back were contacted through the use of databases or formal and informal platforms of expats. A jury decided which stories best showed the learning outcomes and a booklet was edited to share the results.

RESULTS AND IMPACTS: "BCN al món" 2016 edition had 15 activities programmed. A number of 333 young people attended and 37 organisations actively participated, 16 of which were volunteer organisations. The contest "Jo al món" had 32 stories shared, 20 from young people living abroad at that moment and 12 from young people who had already come back. The experiences were published in the Ajuntament de Barcelona's Facebook page (that had a substantial growth during the whole campaign with 295 likes on the page) and were exhibited during one of the events.

COMMUNICATION MATERIALS: Videos, pictures, social media, online publication, press coverage.



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EVS ROADSHOW

24 April, 4 and 5 May, 10 and 12 October 2016

Galway, Ireland

Youth Work Ireland Galway / Europe Direct Ballinasloe

www.youthworkgalway.ie

SUMMARY: The project involved EVS volunteers on placement in Ireland and returned Irish volunteers to tell about their experiences, using personal stories, photographs and videos. The project was a collaboration between 2 agencies (Youth Centre + Europe Direct, both part of Eurodesk Ireland), each bringing their skills to take information and knowledge about EVS to young people in rural Ireland.

OBJECTIVES: To take information about mobility opportunities to young people disadvantaged by their remoteness from large urban centres.

IMPLEMENTATION: Two agencies collaborated to carry out the project – the Youth Centre providing the knowledge and EVS volunteers and Europe Direct using the network of local libraries in rural County Galway. The venue was changing every time in order to give maximum geographical spread, promotion was done through the library system, through local schools and colleges, through youth clubs and groups and finally, using regional radio and social media (Facebook and Twitter).

RESULTS AND IMPACTS: Around 300 participants took part in the five events and were informed about mobility opportunities.

COMMUNICATION MATERIALS: Video, photos, posters, radio interview, local newsletter, social media.



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APPETIZER IN LANGUAGES

from March 2016

Verona, Italy

Hermete Coop.Soc. Onlus

www.hermete.it

SUMMARY: "Appetizer in languages" is a project born to give young people (16-35) the opportunity to improve their language skills (English, Spanish and French) in an informal context and to inform them about the international opportunities that they can enjoy.

OBJECTIVES: The appetizer is a really wide-spread habit in Italy, so Hermete thought to transform this moment in a promotional occasion for its Eurodesk local point and activities.



IMPLEMENTATION: The appetizers were organised every month in a different location, and sometimes also changing the main language to be used (English, French or Spanish). The appetizers were held once per week during the time frame of the project (except in February-March 2017). To promote the events among youngsters, Hermete used social networks (Facebook and Instagram). During one of the French appetizer were included some refugees, giving a social value to the project, too.

RESULTS AND IMPACTS: Meeting after meeting, the number of participants increased a lot. At the last appetizer there were about twenty young people (not only Italians but also a French girl, a German girl and a Vietnamese boy). Some of the participants, after the appetizer's experience, came to our Eurodesk local point to be informed about the Eurodesk opportunities.

COMMUNICATION MATERIALS: Social media, photos.



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WELCOME SPORTELLLO EURODESK

October 2016 – July 2017

Chiari (Bs), Italy

Fondazione Istituto Morcelliano / Youmore Morcelli Giovani

www.youmore.org

SUMMARY: Youmore Morcelli Giovani organised a series of meetings and training days at local schools during the 'Time to Move' campaign. After that, one school wanted to sign an agreement that allowed their students to participate in mobility programmes: 21 students and 6 teachers took part in KA1 projects (in Czech Republic, Spain, Germany and one hosted project in Chiari) during the period October - December 2016. The students involved were very enthusiastic about the experience and started to motivate their peers. After the first KA1 projects took place, a group of teachers was involved to participate in the three-day seminar "Be Part" in Berlin and is now working on designing their own KA2 projects.

OBJECTIVES: To let the young people of Chiari, a small town in Italy, make their first step into internalisation, to start a virtuous circle where youngsters that already went abroad can involve their peers and to strengthen the cooperation with teachers to promote Erasmus+ initiatives.

IMPLEMENTATION: At first the school decided which students and which teachers (as group leaders) should take part in the K1 projects and Youmore Morcelli Giovani took control of the logistics, contacting partners, itinerary, pre-departure meetings etc. On their return, the participants were asked to write an article and prepare a presentation that could be shared with other youngsters in order to increase knowledge on mobility projects. Promotion through the website and social media was carried out.



RESULTS AND IMPACTS: The positive impact of the action can be assessed by the following data: more than 20 meetings at schools with students, almost 2.500 young people reached, 21 students sent abroad with 6 teachers. As articles came out on local newspapers, other schools are now contacting Youmore Morcelli Giovani to send their students abroad with similar projects.

COMMUNICATION MATERIALS: Local press coverage, website, photos, social media.



13

GUIDE TO MOBILITY OPPORTUNITY IN EUROPE

2016

Trieste, Italy

Agenzia Eurodesk – Europe Direct Comune di Trieste

<http://europedirect.comune.trieste.it>

SUMMARY: Working closely with young people, Agenzia Eurodesk - Europe Direct Comune di Trieste realised that often the information and the opportunities offered by Europe are not known enough. For this reason, it created a guide that summarise the main opportunities for working, studying, training and volunteering abroad, issues mainly promoted by Eurodesk Network.

OBJECTIVES: The guide is addressed especially to young people interested in having an experience of study, work, training or volunteering abroad, but also to schools. The last part of the guide is in fact addresses to teachers by offering them useful tools to promote Europe in their classes.

IMPLEMENTATION: The guide has been realised considering the requests received from citizens interested in making an experience abroad. The guide try to collect all relevant information, including contacts at local and national level, links to European websites, a recap of all the opportunities.

RESULTS AND IMPACTS: The guide was sent to 3.518 mailing list contacts (mainly including young people and teachers), was published on social media and sent to the principal European information networks. After the disclosure of the guide on December 27, 2016 in only 5 days there were 300 views and many downloads. The post on Facebook had 600 views and many shares. Many citizens requested the guide directly by phone, email or during a visit in person to the Eurodesk office. In January 2017, Europe Direct Comune di Trieste was invited to promote the guide on a regional radio (Radio Rai).

COMMUNICATION MATERIALS: Publication (<http://europedirect.comune.trieste.it/guida-alle-opportunita-di-mobilita-in-europa>), social media, newsletter, radio interview.



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THE EURODESK INFORMATION DAYS PROJECT

22 August 2016 / 07 December 2016

İzmir, Turkey

İzmir Metropolitan Municipality

www.izmir.bel.tr/Home/en

SUMMARY: After a new Turkish Law dated 2012 expanded the Metropolitan Municipality boundaries of İzmir to the provincial administration boundaries, smaller municipal and village legal entities were abrogated, and new Metropolitan Municipalities were established. In this framework, IMM - İzmir Metropolitan Municipality (Eurodesk Multiplier) extended its services to newly included areas, often disadvantaged rural areas in terms of transportation, education, social and cultural development. The 'Eurodesk Information Days' project was developed with the purpose of reaching all the districts of İzmir to inform young people about European opportunities.

OBJECTIVES: To give on site information to the young residents of remote disadvantaged districts about European opportunities, to eliminate the hesitations and restrictions of parents who are often afraid of letting their children go abroad, to inform teachers on European opportunities and to encourage them to write projects in their schools. Last but not least, to contribute constructively to people's perception of the EU and to enlighten the positive contribution that EU policies can have in everybody's life.



IMPLEMENTATION: A visual information booth was set up in central locations, always considering the best places to reach young people and attract their attention (during the summertime the booth was even set up in a water park as the city centre was almost desert!). Presentations were conducted in schools and meeting halls both for students and teachers. The project was carried out with the cooperation and assistance of the IMM Local Services Directorates, that coordinated the activities and provided contacts and authorisations. During the Time to Move campaign also other Eurodesk Multipliers in İzmir cooperated with the initiative, supplying materials and providing assistance for the presentations.

RESULTS AND IMPACTS: Between August and December 2016, the project covered a total of 2.444 km through 17 disadvantaged districts, and a total of 1.300 people were directly informed. Moreover, through social media, brochures, articles in local newspapers and digital banners IMM reached a great visibility, getting almost to every house of the İzmir area.

COMMUNICATION MATERIALS: Brochures, articles in local newspapers, digital banner, social media.



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EURODESK POST

During the 'Time to move' campaign 2016
Osijek, Croatia
PRONI Centre for social education
www.proni.hr

SUMMARY: PRONI Centre for Social Education organised a series of visits to small towns and rural areas of Croatia, to inform young people through a face-to-face method about Eurodesk and mobility opportunities.

OBJECTIVES: To reach youngsters in small towns and rural areas of the region and to inform them about mobility opportunities, with personal contact and advice. To motivate them to any kind of active participation.

IMPLEMENTATION: PRONI Centre established contacts with local authorities, youth councils and youth organisation, in order to reach youngsters from specific places and ensure visibility of the events through online sources and local media. Some participants, young people from 15 to 30 years old, were actively involved by taking the role of the 'Eurodesk postmen', delivering letters with basic information about mobility opportunities to the others.

RESULTS AND IMPACTS: Within the 'Eurodesk Post' initiative, PRONI Centre organised informative events in five small towns in the eastern part of Croatia, established cooperation with one NGO, one secondary school, three local authorities, and two youth councils. 116 young people were directly reached and informed about mobility opportunities.

COMMUNICATION MATERIALS: Online sources and local media.



16

SCARY NIGHT 2016

29th October 2016

Daruvar, Croatia

Impress, Association for Positive Affirmation Youth in Society

www.udruga-impress.hr

SUMMARY: Scary night was held on the 29th October in the Castle of grof Janković in Daruvar, as the final event of the Time to Move campaign. The event was completely organised by young people, with the support of Impress and the local community. The programme included scary screenings, scary dance floor, Pumpkin's Prizes, scary cakes and a competition for finding the best mask. The majority of the activities were related to mobility and Erasmus+, subjects that had been explained during the Time to Move campaign, through games, prizes and questions.



OBJECTIVES: To build a positive atmosphere toward mobility, to make young people acquire organisational skills by giving them the responsibility of organising the event (non-formal learning), to make all the social players interact and be aware of how mobility can be a good thing for the community and increase activism in society.

IMPLEMENTATION: Scary night was conceived by 25 young people who were in the organisation board, with the collaboration of the whole community. Young people prepared the games, parents were involved in preparing the food, policy makers helped realised the event and gave the authorisation to use the Castle as location, Impress supervised and coordinated the activities and took care about giving the necessary media coverage to the event (that reached newspapers, the HR2 national radio, and Z1 TV channel).

RESULTS AND IMPACTS: The event had more than 160 participants: young people, parents, children, youth workers, teachers, policy makers and it was a great example of building a positive atmosphere toward mobility. Five institutions (schools and youth centres) recognised the possibility of cooperation for EU projects and encouraging young people for mobility; 45 young people asked about mobility and its benefits after the event.

COMMUNICATION MATERIALS: Social media, newspaper, radio interviews, website, photos.



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EU JOBS AND MOBILITY ROADSHOW

10-15 October 2016

Komotini, Greece

Europe Direct Information Centre of Komotini

europedirectkomotini.eu

SUMMARY: The 20-year-experience in contacting and informing young people has showed Europe Direct Information Centres in Greece that youngsters in remote areas are far less informed on opportunities than youngsters in bigger cities. For this reason, three Europe Direct Centres (Komotini, Europe Direct Xanthi and Europe Direct Thessaloniki) decided to organise the most complete event on jobs and mobility in Northern Greece: the EU Jobs & Mobility Roadshow, a tour of six days through the whole region of Eastern Macedonia and Thrace (considered one of the most remote areas of the country) and Thessaloniki to conduct workshops on opportunities for young people, offering personalised advice and networking possibility.



OBJECTIVES: The action aimed at reaching as many young people as possible in six different cities (Alexandroupolis, Komotini, Xanthi, Kavala, Drama, Thessaloniki), and offering them complete and personalised information and guidance on studying, working in another EU country and participating in Erasmus+ projects (youth exchanges, training courses, EVS). The target group was mostly young people who wanted to expand their horizons and discover new EU-wide opportunities but also university students, recent graduates, young entrepreneurs, and young long term unemployed people could hugely benefit from the event.

IMPLEMENTATION: Personal contact and advice are of much greater value than information gained through the internet; starting from this, the organisers created a group of institutions and agencies that could mostly benefit young people, and together with them they travelled the whole region to disseminate information to people from isolated places. The workshops included interactive ways of presentation and discussion, videos, working groups, personal stories from Erasmus+ participants etc.

RESULTS AND IMPACTS: A total of 6 events were held with more than 700 participants that had general and personalised information, 15 institutions and agencies involved, more than 100 different publications were distributed. The event was also mentioned as the "Event of the Month", a good practice among all Europe Direct actions across the EU for October 2016.

COMMUNICATION MATERIALS: Video, social media, publications, press coverage.



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OPENING OF SPRING! HIKE IN SIGULDA!

20 March 2016

Sigulda, Latvia

Sigulda District Youth Center

www.jicmerkis.lv

SUMMARY: Sigulda District Youth Center organised a hike of nearly 15 km in the nature, right at the beginning of Spring. Participants had the opportunity to see beautiful nature of Sigulda, spectacular views of the Gauja National Park, to enjoy the street gymnasts and slacklining performances, as well as speak with EVS volunteers and participate in various activities and workshops, where they were able to learn more about the Erasmus+, the Eurodesk international learning mobility opportunities and the European Youth Portal.

OBJECTIVES: To find an innovative way to make learning fun and more active to young people; to gather in one place several generations and people from different fields and even cities, to promote an active and healthy lifestyle, as well as to make people acquire substantive information about Erasmus+ and Eurodesk.



IMPLEMENTATION: The hiking team leaders were staff of the Youth Centre (Eurodesk multiplier) together with the EVS volunteers and young volunteers from Sigulda city, as well as the participants of initiative groups. The hike had stops or control points: participants were not only acquainted with the surroundings of Sigulda, but in stop points they also learnt more about the "Erasmus +", the Eurodesk and the European Youth Portal in a non-formal way. Participants had the opportunity to meet and share their experiences with volunteers from the European Voluntary Service. Activities were diverse; they were meant for participants of all ages.

RESULTS AND IMPACTS: Attendance of the event was really good as it reached more than 380 participants of all age groups. People were interested because the hike was for free, and it had educational and entertainment elements. Beneficiaries of the event were people of all ages, that received information on mobility opportunities, as well as physical activity.

COMMUNICATION MATERIALS: Online articles, social media, photos, videos.



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STUDY VISIT. "TIME TO MOVE". VISITING, EXPLORING, LEARNING.

20-26 October, 2016

Jurmala, Latvia

Jurmala Children and Youth Interest Centre

www.bjic.jurmala.lv

SUMMARY: The Jurmala Children and Youth Interest Centre organised study visits in Saldus and Liepāja, two Latvian cities respectively at one hour and three hours distance from Jurmala, to inform young people about Eurodesk and mobility opportunities through a non-formal learning method (direct experience of EVS volunteers and Erasmus+ students, creative presentations, improvisational theatre, short movies, story telling cards, etc). During the visits the project coordinators gave the youngsters some tips about project implementation and information about where to search for guidelines, deadlines and contacts in Latvia.

OBJECTIVES: The main aim of the project was to inform young people from the cities of Saldus and Liepāja about Erasmus+, Eurodesk and European Youth Portal opportunities and introduce them to the campaign "Time to move". Additional



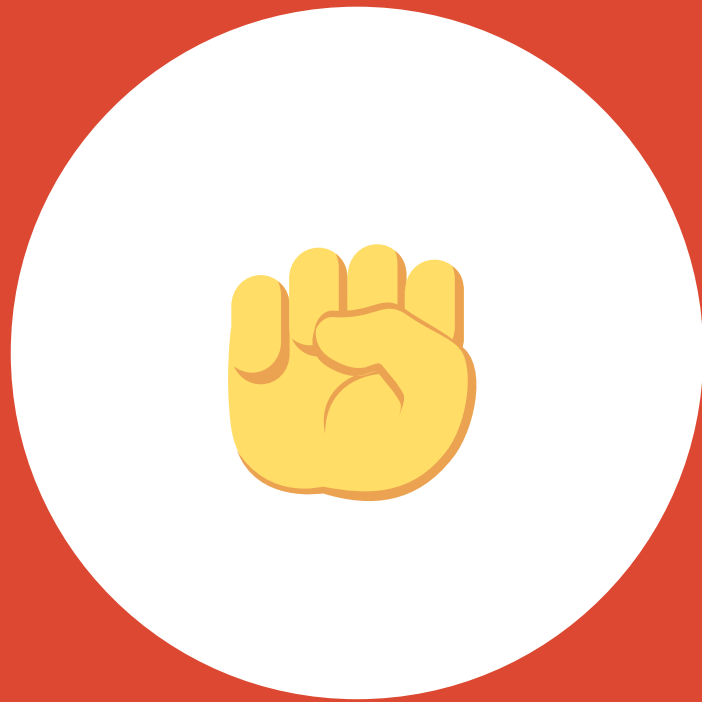
objectives were the involvement and empowerment as active citizens of the youngsters that already participated in mobility opportunities as well as the exchange of practices and experiences between Latvian youth organisations and youth centres.

IMPLEMENTATION: Participants were selected from all Jurmala city schools. The Youth Centres in Saldus and Liepāja were contacted in order to inform local youth organisations and self-governments about the opportunity to meet other municipality youngsters to learn about the "Time to move" campaign, Erasmus+, Eurodesk and European Youth Portal, as well as about daily youth work in Jurmala city.

RESULTS AND IMPACTS: During the study visits, approximately 40 youngsters (aged 13-25) were informed about Eurodesk, the European Youth Portal, EVS and Erasmus+ possibilities. Another result of the action was the strengthening of cooperation at national level between youth organisations, youth self-governments and youth centres.

COMMUNICATION MATERIALS: Video, social media.





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GREEN AGENT

January 2016 - December 2017

Verbania, Italy

Eurodesk Provincia Verbano Cusio Ossola Vedogiovane



SUMMARY: The “Green Agent” project is aimed at fostering young people in active citizenship and entrepreneurship for environment protection and sustainable development in an Alpine rural area in the north of Italy (VCO Province, Piedmont region). Specifically some youth informal groups were formed and supported in living non-formal learning and European active citizenship experiences in the field of environmental education/communication, conscious consumption, recycling, healthy lifestyles, art in the nature, social innovation & green economy.



OBJECTIVES: The action aimed at empowering young people from the mountain areas with key skills for active participation by engaging them in a wide set of non-formal and intercultural learning experiences in contact with nature. Youth empowerment results were also related to the chance to learn, experience and exchange practices, ideas, dreams for the future of the rural European territories with other people from their area or from other European mountainous areas.

IMPLEMENTATION: The young people, ‘Green Agents’ cooperated with youth leaders, youth workers, decision makers, representatives of local NGOs to organise events and activities on topics related to sustainable development. An innovative element of the initiative was the decision to introduce a European dimension in every action, even if held at local level: for this reason the project included some hosted and sent international activities on environmental topics, especially youth exchanges, EVS group, seminars and training, supported in the frame of the Erasmus+ program.

RESULTS AND IMPACTS: Up to now the results of the project are as follows: 8 youth exchanges and 2 international trainings/seminars on environmental topics (with involvement of around 100 young people), 7 long term EVS programmes, 18 events designed and managed by the young people to spread messages on environmental topics (involving around 760 young people, youth workers, adults), 2 journalism competitions (60 video and articles realised by the young people for each competition). A number of 40 editions of a newsletter informing young people about training and volunteering mobility chances, a dedicated web site, 15 press articles, 40 videos about the project activities.

COMMUNICATION MATERIALS: Website, press coverage, social media, newsletters, photos, videos.



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LESSER POLAND YOUTH DIALOGUE

1 January 2016 – 1 December 2016
Krakow, Poland
Europe4Youth
www.europe4youth.eu

HONORABLE
MENTION

SUMMARY: Europe4Youth created a board game with an educational purpose to raise awareness on the importance of being active citizens and taking part in dialogues aimed at bettering society. Apart from designing the game, the project also focused on organising workshops where young people could play the game and propose solutions related to public matters.

OBJECTIVES: The main objective of the project entitled “Małopolski dialog młodzieży” (Lesser Poland Youth Dialogue) was to encourage young people to become active citizens who are aware and responsible, familiar with their roles in civil society and can make an impact on public matters.

IMPLEMENTATION: As part of the project, Europe4Youth developed a board game, RozgryźTo (CrackIT). The development was carried out together with young people, between 16-20 years old. While playing, the players gained knowledge, compared data, worked in a team, negotiated and come up with innovative solutions to specific social problems. As a result, they have a chance to examine social problems from various angles. Additionally, a number of workshops has been organised at schools where the game was used. While playing the game, students earned points for each proposed solution that aimed at bettering society in some way. Those who scored the highest points from the 18 schools where the game was played, qualified for the finals. During the finals, the finalists debated with experts and policy makers.



RESULTS AND IMPACTS: More than 700 people participated in the project. Europe4Youth also tried to reach young people with fewer opportunities. The results, including recommendations and plans from the players of the game were handed over to policy makers at local and regional level, as well as European level, as part of the Structured Dialogue. The game has been published under the patronage of Eurodesk, which enhanced the visibility and contributed to the promotion of the network at schools and institutions.

COMMUNICATION MATERIALS: Photos, social media page, social media and publications.



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COMMON CAUSE - COMMON VOICE

1 August 2015 – 31 July 2016

Michałow, Poland

Association of International and Intercultural Exchange "ANAWOJ"

www.anawoj.org

SUMMARY: ANAWOJ organised several meetings and seminars to connect youth councils and young people to representatives of city municipalities and thus encourage youngsters to take part in civic life.

OBJECTIVES: ANAWOJ's project focused on facilitating dialogue between young people and representatives of local authorities. The project improved the competences of young people, and initiated the development of communication channels together via the promotion and development of youth councils.



IMPLEMENTATION: The very first element of the project was setting up a survey among the young people and policy makers in six municipalities of the Podlaskie Province. The survey results formed the basis for the debates during the activities. At the beginning, ANAWOJ organised a seminar to inspire young people from different parts of the province and to encourage them to more actively engage in the process of developing youth policies in their communities and at regional level. During the seminar, they used a simulation game entitled SmileUrbo for the first time. As part of the game, the young people acted as councilors of a small mountain village facing several problems and they tested their decision-making skills when forced to make choices. Six other local one-day seminars were organised in various localities of the province. These meetings offered an opportunity for young people to meet representatives of local authorities, culture centres and schools. The final seminars of the project were a networking opportunity for representatives of the city municipalities and youth councils in the Podlaskie Province. These meetings offered an excellent opportunity to share experiences, ideas and good practices. Young people were involved in all stages of the project from preparation to execution.

RESULTS AND IMPACTS: 610 young people participated in the initial survey. 180 people participated in the six local seminars in the Podlaskie Province. 30 people participated in the regional seminar. 30 people participated in the final, networking seminar. The events received a lot of publicity in local communities and prepared them for the operations of youth councils. Apart from the statistics, the participating young people could develop their social skills and learned to take part in civic life.

COMMUNICATION MATERIALS: Videos, photos, social media page, press coverage and publications.



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FOR AN ACTIVE BOLAÑOS YOUTH

during May 2017

Ciudad Real, Spain

Ayuntamiento de Bolaños de Calatrava

<http://www.bolanosdecalatrava.es/>

SUMMARY: Ayuntamiento de Bolaños de Calatrava identified that Bolaños young people's participation in civic life was lacking. They came up with a 10-action plan to be carried out during May 2017 to change the current situation and to turn young people into active citizens.

OBJECTIVES: All actions revolve around introducing how democracy and taking part in civic life works to young people but each action focuses on different aspects. There is special attention given to introduce participation in different sectors (cultural, social, educative, formative, politic, etc.) at different levels (local, regional, national and European).

IMPLEMENTATION: Ayuntamiento de Bolaños de Calatrava will carry out 10 very different actions for young people aged between 12-30 years old (different activities are organised for different age groups) during May 2017 to meet the objectives. Among the planned activities there is a seminar, a conference, a debate, a visit to the city hall and a plenary session within the city hall, a visit to a national and a European plenary session in Madrid, a creation of a radio programme and a video, creative workshops, and a game. Each action has a planning with different objectives revolving around active citizenship. The project will involve several other groups such as youth workers, teachers and decision-makers.

RESULTS AND IMPACTS: There are provisional numbers and targeted aims that the organisers want to reach. They want to guarantee the participation of at least 800 young people in the project and reach many more young people indirectly. They aim to help the creation of 3 youth associations during the project. The other expected impacts of the project will be to increase the participation of young people in the cultural, social, political, educational, formative, etc. life of the community and to increase the participation of young people in local, regional, national and European level opportunities.

COMMUNICATION MATERIALS: Videos, photos, social media and publications.



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NEXT DESTINATION: EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT

2 January 2017 - 2 April 2017

Donostia - San Sebastian, Spain

Kaebnai

www.kaebnai.net

SUMMARY: European institutions are sometimes felt very distant by European Citizens (and youngsters) although they have a huge impact on our lives. For this reason, Kaebnai decided to bring the European Parliament to the classrooms of different schools, simulating as exactly as possible the dynamics of the Parliament and involving the students in the function and purposes of the European institution. A further innovation of the project was to make young people not just participants but also facilitators, becoming a clear example of being active citizens.

OBJECTIVES:

- To make young people understand the role of the institutions of the European Union;
- Develop group discussion, communication and leadership skills among youngsters;
- Encourage critical thinking about hot social topics;
- Promote the values of responsible and committed citizenship;
- To value the advantages of being a European citizen by providing information about mobility opportunities and resources at the disposal of young people such as Eurodesk, Erasmus+ etc.

IMPLEMENTATION: To guarantee the quality of the activities, Kaebnai paid special attention to simulating as accurate as possible the dynamics of the Parliament. This included both the functions (president, vice-presidents, working committees, representatives of the different countries and political groups) and procedures (spokespeople, plenary sessions and polls). The contents of the citizen's petitions were chosen in a way that was relatable for young people, so that they got to understand that their involvement could make a difference in their cities. Around 30 young volunteers were previously trained to become facilitators in the simulation, to make young people interact with other young people, putting youngsters in the very centre of the initiative. The action will end with a tempting prize: the facilitators of the project will travel to Brussels to get to know the various bodies of the European Union from within.

RESULTS AND IMPACTS: About 400 students (aged 15-30) from 5 schools in different municipalities were able to enjoy the experience, to better understand how the European Union works, the importance it has in their daily life and the opportunities it offers to study, work and travel. Around 30 young volunteers were trained as facilitators: they were able to learn more about European Institution's functions while developing competencies like leadership, communication and organisation skills, responsibility, initiative, etc.

COMMUNICATION MATERIALS: Online articles, social media, photos.



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SOAPBOX COMPETITION 2016

3-5 October 2016

Tipperary, Ireland

Clonmel Youth Information Centre

www.waterfordinfo.com

SUMMARY: Participants from three Secondary Schools (12 students) argued for and against the theme of 'The EU: United in Diversity'. The judging panel consisted of a local author, an executive Librarian and a score keeper. Local politicians, teachers, student supporters and the local press made up the audience.

OBJECTIVES: The aim of the project was to increase European awareness and active citizenship of young people as well as to inform the young people in the town about mobility opportunities in Europe and the information services of the Clonmel Youth Information Centre.

IMPLEMENTATION: Clonmel Youth Information Centre organised and held a debate that centred around the theme of 'The EU: United in Diversity'. The event targeted 16-18-year-old local students, and provided information on the Clonmel Youth Information Centre and Eurodesk mobility information to young people and their teachers. The activity was carried out liaising with Europe Direct (Waterford) located in the Clonmel Library. Therefore, the activity became part of a national Soapbox event, an initiative run by Europe Direct in Ireland every year. The Soapbox Competition was part of Time to Move 2016.

RESULTS AND IMPACTS: 70 students from 3 secondary schools participated in the event as well as their teachers, library staff and local politicians. Prizes were donated by local businesses and the prize winners' photos appeared in the local press and on social media. One of the Soapbox winners won the Regional Soapbox Final in Waterford. She then went on to compete in the National Final in Dublin.

COMMUNICATION MATERIALS: Photos, press coverage, social media page and publications.



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EURODESK AT SCHOOL: EDUCATIONAL PATH TO EUROPEAN CITIZENSHIP

October 2016 – March 2017

Capo d'Orlando, Italy

Comune di Capo d'Orlando – Agenzia Eurodesk

www.comune.capodorlando.me.it

SUMMARY: A series of meetings and activities directly in schools to inform and raise awareness on the issues and opportunities of European youth rights, citizenship and educational mobility / training, in the framework of the EU programme. The project lasted for six months and was conceived in order to inform the youth population of Capo d'Orlando and neighbouring cities.

OBJECTIVES:

- Make sure young people know about the existence and the activities of the local Eurodesk Centre (opened in 2011), at their disposal for information, talks and questions;
- Increase the level of knowledge of young people about their rights and European citizenship;
- Promote awareness about the opportunities that the European Union offers to young people in educational / training / transnational mobility;
- Develop, enhance and strengthen a positive perception around the activities promoted by the Eurodesk Centre and the Department of Youth of the town of Capo d'Orlando;
- Strengthen the relationship between school, students, Eurodesk Centre and Municipal Administration of Capo d'Orlando;
- Acquire information on youth, analysis of their needs, knowledge, skills and participation towards European policies (through surveys);
- Collect proposals on concrete actions at local / regional / national / European level.

IMPLEMENTATION: Different groups were involved in the project, each one with a specific "task" and level of involvement. Local Municipalities representative were involved in the official launch. The events had always an excellent media coverage (local radio, local television, press). A "launch event" and "final party" were organised also with the aim to create a network between local institutions, schools and all those involved.

RESULTS AND IMPACTS: The positive impact of the project on the local youth population, can be easily assessed by the numbers produced: 20 meetings held, 10 schools involved, 700 students attending the meetings, 1000 new contacts acquired (email, Facebook), 1200 surveys acquired, 1700 students involved in the project.

COMMUNICATION MATERIALS: Local press articles and online articles, radio interviews, local television coverage, social media, photos.



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INFORMAGIOVANI COMES BACK TO TOWN: "MOTIVI D'ARTE"

24 June 2016

Sassari, Italy

Informagiovani del Comune di Sassari – Agenzia locale Eurodesk

http://www.comune.sassari.it/servizi/informagiovani/informagiovani_indice.htm

SUMMARY: For the third year in a row, the Informagiovani/Eurodesk of Sassari municipality organised a one-day event that aimed to combine art and shows, art and shows, bringing music, dance, photography and other visual arts in the streets of the old town of Sassari. The idea of creating the event comes from the assumption that art in all its forms is a unifying and challenging element especially among young people who are at the same time performers and receivers of their own arts and so a vehicle of messages of inclusion and mutual respect.

OBJECTIVES:

- To create an annual event during which the institution is perceived by young people as a space of inclusion and participation;
- to intercept the youngsters in an innovative, creative and original way;
- to create relationships at international level, due to the presence of Voluntary Civil Service, Erasmus+ trainees, all involved in the event;
- to improve young people's skills, giving them the possibility to create a network by themselves, and to support young people in their personal and professional growth;
- to facilitate social engagement by promoting the culture of solidarity and inclusion and the intercultural values between generations.

IMPLEMENTATION: The groups of young people involved as protagonists or simple participants were: young artists, students, school associations and volunteers operating in the fields of inclusion and integration (the cooperation of young civic service volunteers and Erasmus trainees was decisive for the event). The project implemented different activities: sculptors, painters, photographers, fashion designer were hosted in our offices; the city square hosted the booths of the associations involved and the work of street artists like mural paintings and other artworks. In the meantime concerts and dancers took the stage; also non-EU migrants animated the evening with their percussion instruments.

RESULTS AND IMPACTS: Around 1.500 young people participated in the event; 7 singers, 10 bands and 1 choir played on stage; 10 artists (painters and sculptors), 2 graffiti writers, 4 dance groups, 1 writer and 1 poet had the chance to perform. Moreover, a lot of institutions were involved or participated in the event, creating a fruitful network. Considering the high number of participants, the contents and the participants' satisfaction, the planning of the fourth edition is currently ongoing.

COMMUNICATION MATERIALS: Social media, local press coverage, flyers, posters, brochures, videos.



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A JOURNEY FROM THE CONSTRUCTION OF THE EU TO ACTIVE CITIZENSHIP AND MOBILITY

From 5th to 13th April 2016

Cagliari, Italy

Centro Eurodesk URP - Regione Sardegna

<http://www.eurodesk.it/cagliari/centro-eurodesk-cagliari>

SUMMARY: Between the 5th and the 13th April 2016, the Eurodesk Local Point of Cagliari organised several workshops and two photo exhibitions that took place in Cagliari's most central park, Monte Claro involved a significant number of youngsters and citizens from the city of Cagliari and the surrounding areas.

OBJECTIVES: The project was specifically designed to increase the general awareness of the European Citizenship and the "added value" that comes with it, to encourage the active participation of the young generations within the European Union and in local society and to inform and to provide them an inspiring overview of the mobility opportunities. The project targeted high schools students and teachers, youngsters and the general public, in a region that – being a geographically isolated territory – often do not feel a bold sense of belonging to the European Community as common cultural space and identity.



IMPLEMENTATION: The activities included two parallel photo exhibitions organised in cooperation with the Italian Department for European Policies of the Presidency of the Council of Ministers. The exhibition "Italy in Europe – Europe in Italy / A history of European integration in 250 snap-shots", a selection of 250 pictures that recalled the most meaningful moments of European integration, and the exhibition "Citizenship in Europe from Ancient time to the present", a selection of 20 panels exploring the evolution of the concept of citizenship from the classical antiquity to European citizenship. Several workshops were carried out for young people, focusing on citizens' rights and benefits, and mobility opportunities, facilitated by Eurodesk Multipliers.

RESULTS AND IMPACTS:

- More than 1.000 people visited the exhibitions during the opening hours;
- 15 workshops were organised by the Eurodesk Local Point of Cagliari;
- 13 schools from the city of Cagliari and its metropolitan area were involved in the project;
- Approximately 350 students aged between 16 and 18 (plus 25 teachers) attended the workshops.

COMMUNICATION MATERIALS: Large media coverage, photos, postcards, posters, website, social media.



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SANT'ANTIOCO COMUNE GENERATTIVO

From March 2016 to February 2017

Sant'Antioco, Italy

Centro Eurodesk Comune di Sant'Antioco

www.comune.santantioco.ca.it

SUMMARY: The Eurodesk Centre of Sant'Antioco worked together with the local Social Services to bring support to people in economic and social distress through the creation of employment opportunities in local companies (in close collaboration with the Employment Agency of Sardinia Region), the divulgation of mobility opportunities in Europe and the implementation of an Orientation Service.

OBJECTIVES: The project aimed at offering a "new" form of support for people in economic and social distress. Such a condition is having negative effects on young people in terms of "no positive view for the future", "inactiveness" and "social deviance". The action focused on increasing the quantity and quality of information on European opportunities, promoting active inclusion, improving individual skills and creating employment possibilities in local companies.



IMPLEMENTATION: The action originated from the joint action of the Social Services and the Eurodesk Centre of Sant'Antioco, together with the social Co-operative Millepiedi. It was started an Orientation Support Service, called CI SIAMO, aimed at working, especially as a preventive measure, with young people, to strengthening their sense of responsibility, autonomy and proactivity. The possibility to create employment opportunities in local companies, was tested, in close collaboration with the Employment Agency of Sardinia Region. At the same time, the CI SIAMO Job Information Centre was activated in order to support the beneficiaries, as well as the whole community, in taking awareness of their individual skills for an active search of job and training opportunities, according to their strengths and weaknesses. The Eurodesk Centre, as an integral part of the service, was aimed at the divulgation of mobility opportunities both as Help Desk and through the organization of activities in informal places such as bars.

RESULTS AND IMPACTS: Over the course of a year, 256 people benefited from joint actions of orientation to "proactivity", including 50 of the awareness-raising activities to mobility in Europe. 82 local companies were involved by the Social Services in job placement initiatives both for young people and adults, 62 families with fewer opportunities were involved in actions of guidance for the proactive growth of the new generations.

COMMUNICATION MATERIALS: Photos, social media, institutional communications.





PROJECT CATALOGUE

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EAGER LEADER

01 January – 31 December 2016

Veresegyház – Pest, Hungary

Támaszpont Mentalhigiénés Oktatási és Prevenciók Közhazsnú Alapítvány

<http://tamaszpont.net>

SUMMARY: Eager Leader is a local training course made with/for youngsters to provide quality in leadership of youth exchange.

OBJECTIVES: To build a new generation of group leaders and to create a learning process where the youngsters can develop key competences that can be recognised.

IMPLEMENTATION: The course was opened to all youngsters from 18 to 30 and was divided in four levels, each level had specific objectives:

1. Gamification: the importance of the game to simplify the message and the importance of each person to reach the outcomes (e.g. energisers, icebreaking games, teambuilding games, trusting games).
2. Dynamic of group: the importance of cultural differences to tackle the barriers. The basic values of EU and European Citizenship were developed through games, videos and educational tools.
3. Shaking the box: participants had the possibility to improve their sense of initiative and entrepreneurship in a safe environment. The duty was to prepare in a short time a cultural event without interactions of facilitators. At the end, there was a deep analysis and evaluation of the event through all the process.
4. Project management: from the idea to the action. How participants can write a project with European Quality? Project Cycle Management, logic Framework of a project.

Each level lasted one weekend from Friday to Sunday; the course was conducted by volunteers not only from Támaszpont NGO but also from organisations active in the local community and other Eurodesk partners in the region. This training is taking place every year.

RESULTS AND IMPACTS: Many of the participants became more active and some of them started to create and lead an informal group. This group became an active part of the youth centre and started to involve more youngsters, proposing new ideas and creating new events. Támaszpont is still mentoring the participants of this group and is involving them in the decision making process.

COMMUNICATION MATERIALS: -





SOLIDARITY ACTIONS

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BREAKING STEREOTYPES

17-25 November, 2016

Budapest, Hungary

Együttható Közösségépítő Egyesület
egyutthato.eu



SUMMARY: The project 'Breaking stereotypes' was a 9-day-long youth exchange in Hungary with 30 young people involved. The participants were coming from Romania, Poland, Bulgaria, Portugal, Italy and Romania, 4 youngsters between 18-25 and 1 group leader from each country. Among the participants, there were 12 youngsters living with some sort of a disability (mostly physical). Young people were actively participating in the implementation of the project; they were involved in team work, creating results and sharing their experiences.



OBJECTIVES: The aim of the project was to help the social integration of disabled (young) people, to encourage them in social debates and participation in decision making, especially in the topics related to their life. The participants developed their proactivity, self-confident, organisers skills, assertive communication, creativity, communication in foreign language skills and learnt how to work in teams efficiently through non-formal education.

IMPLEMENTATION: During the project, non-formal education tools have been used. There were four main activities carried out with different methods: life map, Oxford debate, open space, 'Wall of disability'.

RESULTS AND IMPACTS: On the 'Wall of disability' participants collected the most important stations of the history of disability and the most inspiring famous people who have lived with disability. After this an event was organised in Budapest with a panel discussion between participants and invited guests in the topic of stereotypes and prejudices toward disabled people. This was the place to present the 'Wall of disability' as well. After the project, participants organised different events at local level, e.g. presentations in schools, media appearances in articles, TV- and radio interviews. The results of the project were also shown in an event organised by ELTE University Bárczi Gusztáv Special Education Faculty, with a specific highlight on the 'Wall of disability' and the messages of the participants.

COMMUNICATION MATERIALS: Photos, videos and social media.



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IMAGINE: MIGRANT JOURNEYS

01 October 2016 – 31 July 2017

Ankara, Turkey

System and Generation Association – S&G

www.systemandgeneration.com

SUMMARY: The “Imagine: Migrant journeys from Syria to Europe” is a strategical board game that allows players to experience the journeys of migrants when they flee from the war in Syria. The players of the game need to face dangers, sacrifices and difficult choices similar to what Syrian migrants need to make on these journeys. The emphasis of the game is on planning, gathering and putting together pieces of information and planning the next move towards Europe.

OBJECTIVES: The main goal of the project “Imagine: Migrant journeys from Syria to Europe” is to raise awareness on the migration from Middle East to Europe by letting people experience the journeys that migrants make when they flee from the war in Syria. The idea behind this interactive board game is to get players to understand what a migrant has to go through in order to get to Europe. The project initiator, S&G hopes that players will sympathise with migrants via this game in the rise of unprecedented negative trends such as xenophobia and radicalism.



IMPLEMENTATION: S&G has produced 2000 copies of the board game. They hope to disseminate them to as many places as possible such as local high schools, youth organisations and NGO's, in order to invite as many young people as possible to play the game.

RESULTS AND IMPACTS: The project is still ongoing, and via social media and press, their aim is to reach more than 100 000 people. More than 600 youngsters in high schools and youth centres in Turkey played the board game and got to know the current situation with migration. As the game is still played in various places, more and more young people are educated about the situation.

COMMUNICATION MATERIALS: Photos, videos, website, social media, printed publication and press coverage.



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İŞTE GENÇ - YOUTH IN EMPLOYMENT

01 October 2015 – 15 July 2016

Izmir, Turkey

Izmir Governorship

www.izmirab.gov.tr

SUMMARY: The İŞTE GENÇ (Youth in Employment) project was initiated to create a forum for a structured dialogue between disadvantaged young people and decision-makers via 3-days workshops and a summit.

OBJECTIVES: The events' objective was to help disadvantaged young people to learn about vocational training opportunities, qualified workforce, labour market, youth guarantee, and entrepreneurship as well as local, regional, national and international employment policies. Participants also improved their social skills.



IMPLEMENTATION: The implementation was done in four steps. Young people first got together and had discussions in workshops and then conducted a field research which involved face-to-face interviews with their peers. During the third step, they met with decision-makers on the İŞTE GENÇ summit. The summit was a forum for discussion and exchange of views between young people and decision-makers in the field of employment. Finally, a Sustainable Youth Employment Policy Recommendation Document was created, based on the data obtained in the fieldwork and the ideas emerging on the basis of mutual sharing of opinions, proposals and requests related to employment and unemployment.

RESULTS AND IMPACTS: 40 disadvantaged young people (disabled young people as well as young people having migrant background and in probation) living in Izmir benefited directly from the project. They improved their own competences throughout the project, practiced group work and volunteering as well as they learned about job opportunities and institutions that are ready to help them. They informed, motivated and included their peers, neighbours to the project during field work; this is how İŞTE GENÇ reached 514 young people.

COMMUNICATION MATERIALS: Videos, press coverage, photos and publications.



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A YOUNG LOOK TO DIPLOMACY

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Kastamonu, Turkey

Genç Yaşamın Sesleri Derneği

<http://www.gencyasaminsesleri.org/>

SUMMARY: 7 workshops organised in 7 different regions of Turkey with 30 participants with less opportunities to discuss the current state of international democracy. The project will be concluded in a summit which is going to be held in Kastamonu.

OBJECTIVES: The workshops are aimed at opening the possibility for young people with less opportunities to discuss their views related to international democracy and talk about their cultural and personal backgrounds. Another purpose of the project is to raise institutional awareness to local Eurodesk offices.

IMPLEMENTATION: After posting an online call, the participants were selected by Eurodesk local multipliers who were taking part as partner organisations in the project. Youth workers worked in each workshop as regional project facilitators and coordinators. They rotated the tasks and the workshops among each other and as a result they got to know the activities of each Eurodesk participating contact point. The project resulted in a well-established collaboration platform between the contact points. During all the sessions, non-formal learning and teaching methods have been carried out to supply a friendly atmosphere for the participants.

RESULTS AND IMPACTS: 7 workshops have been organised in 7 different regions of Turkey and Eurodesk local multipliers organised these events together. 154 young participants with less opportunities and youth workers participated in all workshops mentioned. The increased recognition of Eurodesk contact points gained via this project will strengthen their positions, such as finding support for activities, establishing project partnerships and obtaining necessary permits.



COMMUNICATION MATERIALS: Photos, videos and press coverage.





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