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Youth Partnership

Partnership between the European Commission and the Council of Europe in the field of Youth





NATIONAL YOUTH WORKERS AWARD AND AWARENESS CAMPAIGN ON YOUTH WORK CONVENTION

Organisation: Lepl Youth Agency

Location: Georgia

In 2020, the Youth Agency established a wide scale Conference, for raising awareness on Youth Work Convention among youth workers and youth. At this event, Youth Workers of the Year were nominated. The conference lasted 3 days and was live streamed. Up to 80 people attended. Participants discussed and developed recommendations on YWC streams and analysed its relatedness with the National Youth Strategy and Policy concept.





















CENTRE FOR EUROPEAN YOUTH POLICY

Organisation: German Youth Institute

Location: Germany

The Centre for European Youth Policy is a research institution dedicated to the development of European youth policy and the transfer of European developments in German policy, politics, practice and research. Established in 2019, research of the Centre focuses on (European) youth policy, polity and politics as well as on European youth work policy. Recent research includes the notion of young people in European youth documents, participation and active citizenship, cross-sectoral youth policy, the Covid-19 pandemic and its effects on young people, as well as the European Youth Work Agenda.

Through its research, the goal of the Centre is:

- to bring together, systematise and expand existing (European) knowledge on youth policy issues;
- to address and analyse European youth policy developments and questions on youth work and youth policy;
- to make evidence-based contributions to current debates on youth policy at all levels;
- to promote mutual understanding of different perspectives in European and national youth policy (across various levels);
- to provide evidence-based information and findings to the various actors in the youth policy field.





TRAINING OF YOUTH WORKERS

Organisation: Union for Youth Work

Location: North Macedonia

The aim of the training of youth workers is to provide training and formal certification of youth workers in the country.

Target groups: individuals interested in youth work from North Macedonia, youth workers interested to get a formal certificate, youth workers employed at youth centers

Main activities include:

- Preparation and accreditation of Standard for occupation
 Worker with Youth;
- Implementation of formal procedures to verify an adult education programme (preparation and accreditation of a Programme for adult education Worker with youth; Verification of the organization as an institution for adult education)
- Implementation of the 4-month programme.

Results:

• The training was successfully delivered 2 times by this date, and 24 workers with youth were certified.

Note: In the meantime, we have been closely working with one Faculty in aim to start a post graduate degree program for youth workers and for recognition of youth work as a profession in the country (with the previously described process, currently, "worker with youth" is formally recognized at the level of occupation).





YOUTH CENTRE IN EVERY MUNICIPALITY

Organisation: Union for Youth Work

Location: North Macedonia

The aim of this initiative is to inform and support the municipalities, youth forms of organizing and other stakeholders in the process of opening youth centers across the country.

Target groups: youth officers, representatives of youth forms of organizing, youth workers, other relevant stakeholders.

Main activities: - rulebook created by practitioners and validated by the Agency for Youth and Sport on the minimum standards for youth centers; - organizing info sessions for youth officers and representatives of youth forms of organizing; - implementing an online campaign; - regular meetings with representatives from local governments; - support for preparation of legal documentation; - donors meeting;

Results: - currently 4 opened centers fulfilling the requirements of the rulebook and two in process; - online series of informative sessions: 8 regions, 38 municipalities, more than 100 participants. — one Donor meeting: 10 representatives from donors present in the country; - offline series of informative sessions: 8 regional meetings, 44 municipalities, 70 participants, one media press event; - supported process of three municipalities (Kavadarci, Veles, and Probishtip).





IMPLEMENTATION OF THE BONN PROCESS IN SERBIA

Organisation: NAPOR (Association of youth workers)

Location: Serbia

Since May 2021, the Youth Council of the Government of the Republic of Serbia (coordinated by the Ministry of Youth and Sports) has established the **Permanent expert team for the implementation of the Bonn Process**. The team is consisted of 16 representatives of institutions, with NAPOR as its coordinator. The tasks of this team is to:

- Provide spaces for youth work (incl. defining and recognizing youth centers and clubs in national legislation; through wide consultative process standards are set, that are incorporated into NYS as one of five goals and are going to be included into the Law on Youth);
- Develop the National program for digital youth work and work with youth (ongoing);
- Define national qualifications for youth workers at levels V and VII (ongoing) (incl. revision of non-formal education curriculum for youth workers education (level V) as well as establishing formal education (level VII) is the process that started in September 2022).





NETWORK OF YOUTH CLUBS

Organisation: PRONI Center for youth development

Location: Bosnia and Herzegovina

The Network of Youth Clubs was founded in 2007, in which 26 youth clubs were opened and established in local communities (villages). Young people (15-30 y.o) in the Network of Youth Clubs gather around activities that promote cultural, peace, and PVE activities as well as human and youth rights, educational and sports activities, and work in groups through exceptional promotion of volunteerism, activism, healthy and safe environment. From 2007 until today, a series of trainings for network volunteers. Through the Network of Clubs program, young people solve some of the key issues of young people living in rural and suburban areas and protect their basic human rights that are threatened, such as the right to participation, information, equal, opportunities, and other youth rights. people and children. The goal is to ensure equal conditions and opportunities for informal education and inclusion of young people through the Network of Youth Clubs, both in the city and in the rural part of Brcko District. To-date, the network of youth clubs has been expanded throughout BiH (Sarajevo, Banja Luka, Zvornik, Bihać, Trebinje, Bijeljina, Mostar, Maoča, Kalesija, Cazin, Prijedor, Bosanski Petrovac).







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ANALYSIS OF THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE BONN PROCESS IN THE REPUBLIC OF CROATIA

Organisation: Croatian Youth Network

Location: Croatia

Croatian Youth Network (CYN) conducted **analysis of the implementation of the Bonn Process in Croatia** in September 2022. Based on the data analysis **four areas** were determined:

1) Defining the Bonn process and its importance concretization and operationalization of the European Youth Work Agenda clear guidelines, framework and instructions for national states what to do in terms of youth work

indirect importance for young people

Europe Goes Local seen as contributing to the Bonn process

2) Responsible stakeholders for the implementation of the Bonn process in Croatia

definition of three levels of responsible stakeholders for implementation responsibility and on the entire youth community of practice

3) (Dissatisfaction) with the implementation of the Bonn process

huge discrepancies in the implementation approach in Croatia the implementation in Croatia is rated poorly

it is important to show interest in developing the quality of youth work clear instructions, guidelines and frameworks are ready for use by national states for the successful implementation and support is provided by the European Service Centre for the Bonn Process

4) Proposal of an ideal system of implementation and monitoring of the Bonn process

the suggested recommendations are:

- 1. Working group for the implementation and monitoring of the Bonn process (at national level)
- 2. Keeping up with the needs of young people and the youth work community od practice (with an emphasis on youth workers)
- 3. Invest in the promotion of the Bonn process



CONSULTATIONS WITH YOUNG PEOPLE ON THE LOCAL LEVEL

Organisation: City administration of the city Bijeljina

Location: Bosnia and Herzegovina

The city of Bijeljina is currently working on a strategic document for young people. This document is being adopted for a period of 4 years. We have included young people in the working body appointed by the Mayor. Our target group is young people aged 15-30. One of the activities is creation of a survey questionnaire, which young people created in several areas with representatives of the city. Youth that participate in the process are representatives of youth organizations, NGO sector, secondary schools, faculties, etc. Another activity is the preparation of the science fair, which we do in partnership with young high school innovators. The plan and program of the fair is being prepared, and is planned for the beginning of December this year.

















TRAUMA-SENSITIVE YOUTH WORK

Organisation: Corridors - Dialogue Through Cooperation

Location: Armenia and Georgia

The project aimed to improve competencies of youth and social workers in trauma-sensitive work when they work with youth from conflict-affected communities. In the first stage, 15 practitioners from Armenia and Georgia were trained in a trauma-informed approach when working in the community affected by armed conflicts. A guideline for youth, peace and social workers on trauma-sensitive work was created, too. The project is currently being finalised.





COOPERATION WITH PUBLIC INSTITUTIONS IN A PROCESS OF DEVELOPMENT OF YOUTH STRATEGIES

Organisation: Institute for Youth Development KULT

Location: Bosnia and Herzegovina

In order to reach long-term sustainability in terms of the consequences of our actions, we strive towards pursuing cooperation with all levels of government in Bosnia and Herzegovina upon proposing changes to and adopting legislative and other political solutions (policies and strategies) that will legally and systematically regulate youth care and their institutional constitution. Our role and cooperation with legislative and executive authorities are being maintained in the course of drafting by-laws, law enforcement programming, counselling and keeping others informed. In order to develop youth strategies Institute is closely working with youth officers, youth councils and youth organizations from the communities, but as well with centres for social work, mental health institutions, schools, employment offices, decision makers and youth commissions. This process allows us to cooperate with youth work community of practice and to support dialogue, cooperation and understanding of youth needs in the communities all around BiH. To support youth strategy development but as well monitor implementation of the youth laws in BiH Institute is following work of 242 different institutions in BiH and their work for 10 years. All data are collected through the web platform Tipra.me. Beside the institutions Institute through this platform monitor the work of political parties as well.

