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Prof. Dr. Lynne CHISHOLM, sociologist of education and youth, has recently moved to work at the University of Newcastle Department of Education as visiting professor and at CEDEFOP (European Centre for the Development of Vocational Training, Thessaloniki) as scientific advisor on lifelong learning, following five years working at the European Commission's DG for Education and Culture in Brussels on prospective policy development. Before working at the Commission, she spent twenty years as a university lecturer and professor at universities in Northern Ireland, England, Canada and Germany. She is a widely published specialist in education, training and youth transitions in the comparative and intercultural research and policy context. She is currently leading the evaluation of the ATTE advanced long-term training for youth trainers course.

Conchi GALLEGO was responsible for the international affairs of the Spanish Youth Council from 1999 until March 2002 and took care of the work related to European Affairs and Development and Co-operation work. Currently Conchi is the Secretary of the Regional Youth Council of Madrid, where she is responsible for the management and for the internal co-ordination of the board. Her background organisation is AFS-Intercultura, where she has been working as a volunteer for 9 years. She is also the Secretary of the Association for Community Colleges (ACC), a young organisation that has been working for 3 years now promoting dialogue and understanding among young people in Europe.

Brony HOSKINS is currently conducting field observations in the framework of evaluating the Advanced Training for Trainers in Europe (ATTE) course. She has recently completed her PhD in Youth Research on young people's sexual practice but she is not a traditional academic. She has recently completed an internship/stage in the Youth Unit in the Commission working on the Youth Programme, particularly Action 5. What is most important to her is empowering young people's voices particularly within youth policy and academic youth research.

Peter LAURITZEN, born in 1942 in Flensburg, Germany has worked for 30 years for the Council in Europe in changing areas of responsibility: During the seventies he was responsible for training and intercultural learning, during the eighties he worked with research and inter-governmental co-operation, during the nineties he led the anti-racism campaign and worked to build and run in the European Youth Centre in Budapest. Presently, he is Head of the Department of Education, Training, Research and Communication. He follows the development of international youth policy reviews and co-operation with the European Union. Mr Lauritzen is also Co-ordinator of the Working Group on Young People, Working Table 1 in the framework of the Stability Pact for South Eastern Europe. He has published various articles on youth policy, NGOs and intercultural learning.

Roisin MC CABE is Irish and works as the Policy Officer for Citizenship and Lifelong Learning at the European Youth Forum in Brussels. She is a specialist in the field of European education policy and wrote her Master Thesis on this subject at the College of Europe. She subsequently worked at the College as a Teaching Assistant for the Director of the Department of Human Resource Development. She also worked as a consultant on the European Commission's consultation on the Memorandum on lifelong learning.

Tim MERRY is trainer and partner in Engage! InterAct in the Netherlands. He works in the youth, NGO, governmental and commercial sectors working with interactive methods. He also is managing an international project to bring together and connect trainers who are using visual and music based arts as a method. He would love to hear from people with similar passions!

Hans-Joachim ("Hanjo") SCHILD is German and works as a National Expert at the European Commission, Directorate General Education and Culture. He is a member of the policy making team in the Youth unit, which elaborated the White Paper "A new impetus for European Youth" and which is now responsible for its implementation. He studied social pedagogy, social work and social sciences. Before his detachment to the European Commission he worked as a manager, trainer and consultant in the field of social inclusion, youth work, labour market and education and training policy.

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Coyote editorial team

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