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1 Structures and actors that play a role in gaining a greater understanding and knowledge of young people

The National Council of Scientific Research in Academic Education – NCSRAE

The Research Department of the Ministry of Education, Research and Youth

University of Bucharest and University Babes Bolyai of Cluj Napoca

Research Institutes – National Scientific Research Institute for Labour and Social Protection

Nongovernmental organizations, foundations etc

Institute for opinion polls

Political parties, other political organizations

1.1 Specific youth departments in universities dealing with youth issues

There are not special departments, but there are research department covering this area too.

1.2 Statistic offices that collect statistics on youth

Division of Research for the Youth Issues (DRYI) within National Agency for Supporting the Youth Initiatives (opinion polls)

County Divisions of Statistics

1.3 Major public and semi-public bodies dealing with youth issues

The National Agency for Support of Youth Initiatives through the Divisions of Studies and Researches on Youth Issues (DSRYI). NASYI is a public institution subordinated to the National Authority for Youth which is implementing – to an operational level – the Public Policies in the Youth Field of the Government of Romania. NASYI gathers the services for information and counselling for young people, the services for studies and researches in youth issues, managing in the same time the National Program for alternative training in the youth field.

Research themes in 2007

- The Youth Opinion Barometer (the Diagnosis of the situation of young people - quantitative research of omnibus type)
- the Assessment of the youth centres (qualitative research)
- the NGOs and the voluntary activity – offer and attraction for the young people (quantitative and qualitative research)
- the Migration of the young people (qualitative research)
- The Institute for the Education's Sciences
- Study on the relations between generations

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- Non-formal education and communications skills (2004)
- The counselling of the teenagers for a carrier
- The National Institute of Scientific Research for Labour and Social Protection
- the National Report on human development in 2007
- the Study regarding the multiple discrimination
- the Study on labour and on the situation of young people on the labour market
- The Research Institute for the Quality of Life
- Social Policies in education field
- Gender policies
- Anti-poverty policies

1.4 NGOs dealing with youth issues

(Major youth NGO's undertaking research on young people or having practical knowledge on needs and expectations of young people)

Youth Action for Peace (YAP) Romania

Is dealing also with the information and counselling of the young people and has participated with its members to the public debates regarding the young people in Romania. Web address:

<http://www.yap.ro>

The Association of the Students in Economical Sciences in Romania (AESR)

Offers guides, information, organizes meetings with personalities, carries out projects supporting the students of Economical Studies Academy. Web address: <http://www.aser.ro>

The National Alliance of the Students' Organizations in Romania (NASOR)

They have realized campaigns for information and aware regarding the students' rights. Web address:

<http://www.anosr.ro>

CENTRAS (the Centre for Assistance of the nongovernmental organizations)

Studies regarding the voluntary activity in Romania.

Data bases of NGOs

Web address: <http://www.centras.ro>

1.5 Youth researchers or experts

Valer Veres – Babes Bolyai University, Faculty of Sociology and Social Assistance Cluj.

Specific field of competence: The social stratification and mobility among the young people, National and ethnical identity among the young people, The changing of life phase and of the demographic behaviour of the young people.

Gina Anghelescu – the National Agency for the Support of the Youth Initiatives, Division for Studies and Researches on Youth Issues. Specific field of competence: identity, values, citizenship

Sorin Mitulescu – the National Agency for the Support of the Youth Initiatives, Division of Studies and Researches on Youth Issues. Specific field of competence: education, civic and political participation of the young people.

Ancuta Plaesu – the National Agency for the Support of the Youth Initiatives, Division for Studies and Researches on Youth Issues. Specific fields of competence: civic and political participation of the young people, the migration of the young people.

Sebastian Nastuta – University “Petre Andrei” Iasi, Faculty of Psychology, Social Assistance, Sociology. Specific field of competence: the expectations of young people, socializing and transmission of the values, social positioning and stratification of young people, youth deviancy and delinquency, socialization and religious behaviour of the young people.

Dan Chiribuca, University “Babes Bolyai” Cluj. Specific fields of competence: mass media.

Simona Vonica – Institute for Research of the Life Quality, Bucharest. Specific fields of competences: the participation of the young people to the decisional processes.

Laszlo Brassai – County Centre for Psycho-Pedagogical Assistance. Specific field of competence: the behaviour for health of the young people.

1.6 Private companies dealing with youth issues

There are not private companies having permanent preoccupations in the field of youth research.

Private companies that have realized researches in the youth field:

Daedalus Consulting (<http://www.daedalus.ro/ro/index.php>)

Gallup Romania (<http://www.gallup.ro>)

2. Legal basis or guidelines for activities leading to a better knowledge and understanding of youth

In the Governing Program 2005-2008 there is a measure “to fundament the youth policies on the basis of the social research’s results”

According to the Convention for respecting the child’s rights. Romania must present in 2008 a report on the rights’ respect. In order to draw up this report there have been realized studies regarding the children (under 18 years of age)

3 Funding for research on youth

3.1 International funding for carrying out activities aimed at youth research

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Information not available

3.2 EU funding for carrying out activities aimed at acquiring a better knowledge and understanding of youth

Information not available

3.3 Public and private national funding for carrying out activities aimed at acquiring a better knowledge and understanding of youth

The National Authority for Youth – the Program of social research in the youth field (funds spent in 2007 – 500.000 lei which means 149,000 euros)

3.4 Actor(s)/structure(s) mainly receiving funding

The National Agency for Supporting the Youth Initiatives (NASYI) – Division of Studies and Researches for the Youth Issues.

4 Paper publications on the youth field

4.1 Statistics of books on the youth field

Information not available

4.2 Regular Youth reports

The Diagnosis of the Youth Situation 2007 – national polls type omnibus, representative for the population between 14 and 35 years of age. ISSN 1583-333x

4.3 Journals and reviews on youth research

News-papers having pages dedicated to the youth issues and young researchers (Adevarul, Gandul, Cotidianul, Romania Libera)

5 IT dissemination of knowledge in the youth field

5.1 Databases

NASYI through the Division of Research on Youth Issues, is centralizing the information regarding the young people in Romania. There are reports of research (qualitative and quantitative) drawn up in Romanian, free of charge in most cases. A part of them can be accessed on the Agency's site:

<http://www.ansitromania.ro/?page=studii> cercetari

5.2 Web-Portals

Studies, researches regarding the young people in Romania

http://www.ansitromania.ro/?page=studii_cercetari

Studies, articles regarding the dope consume in Romania

<http://www.ana.gov.ro/rom/studii.htm>

5.3 Statistics, reports, journals, reviews or other publications available on the internet

Studies upon the preferences and the expectations of the young people

<http://www.daedalus.ro/ro/index.php?P=322>

Qualitative and quantitative study on the young people expectations;

http://www.gallup.ro/romana/poll_ro/releases_ro/pr050412_ro/pr050412_hm

Study on the Romanian young people

<http://laviniarindasu.wordpress.com/2007/09/30/leo-youth-studiu-despre-tinerii-romani/>

6. Methods and approaches for gaining a greater understanding and knowledge of youth and for keeping it up to date

- quantitative researches based on questionnaire, on representative samples to the national level
- qualitative methods; individual interviews, group interviews, the analysis of the documents
- the National Authority for Youth is annually financing the realization of a Barometer (the Diagnosis on Youth) on national sample.

7. Methods and tools for ensuring and assessing quality of knowledge in the youth field

- Commissions of assessment/approval of the works' quality.

8. Promotion of youth researchers and their generational renewal and their actors who work towards a better knowledge of youth

8.1 Facilitating the exchange of experience and practice

The Seminar with the theme "Present and perspectives in the youth social research" organized in 2007 by NASYI

8.2 Supporting their mobility

- Mobility grants for young researchers (PhD research student) accorded by the Ministry of Education, Research and Youth.
- Bilateral Agreements

8.3 Improving their skills

- Training programs (UNESCO);
- Bilateral exchanges

8.4 Funding for PhDs and support of students in this field

There are funds allocated to the researchers, PhD type, or to the students and can be chosen also themes regarding the young people.

9 Methods and tools to ensure exchanges and dialogue between all actors in the youth field

9.1 Seminars, working groups for a better knowledge and understanding of youth

This year has been organized the first national seminar of the research in the youth field (Sibiu 2007). Present and perspectives in the youth social research.

9.2 Names and contacts for permanent national network for a greater knowledge and understanding of youth linking all actors in the field

There is no permanent national network.

9.3 Details on how this network works if it exists

There isn't any.

9.4 Strategy to set up a permanent national network linking all actors if not already existing.

In 2007 it was organized the first national seminar of the research in the youth field. It was founded also a group for debates on internet youthsearch-romania@yahogroups.

10 Other networks in the youth field

10.1 Trans-national networks

10.2 Networks specific to certain actors

- The National Council of Scientific Research in Academic Education
- The National Council of Rectors

11.3 Organisation and promotion of interdisciplinary dialogue for example between university departments and governmental departments

- Working group for the project “Information, counselling and professional orientation” to the Ministry of Labour, Family and Equality of Chances.