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1. Which types of voluntary activities exist in your country for young people, explain the different fields of activities and if possible give numbers of how many young people engage in them per year, in totals and by gender?

Ecology Field: sanitation activities, water cleaning, parks arrangements, trees and flowers plantation

Social assistance Field: facilitators in the orphanages, help assistance to old persons, help assistance for persons with disabilities and to persons from disadvantaged families

NGO Field: active participation in administrative and logistic aspects of NGO activity, organisation of trainings, seminars, documents typing, translation etc.

Statistics:

No official statistics regarding the number of volunteers

General knowledge: 20.000 persons involved in voluntary activities

2. Which kind of voluntary service exist in your country and how many young people engage in them per year, in totals and by gender

Available data reflected in 1 point

3. Financial and legal status of voluntary activities

No legal status especially regulating voluntary work and service. There are some aspects reflected in Law of NGOs and associations.

There is an ongoing process of elaborating the Law regarding the Voluntariate that is foreseen to be approved by the Parliament in 2009.

4. Name the main actors of voluntary activities of young people on national, regional and local level in your

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5. What is the social protection of young volunteers in your country and are voluntary activities compatible with social benefits (e.g. unemployment benefits)?

No regulation for volunteers

6. What Programmes and plans are there in your country on volunteering (national, regional, local)?

The National Voluntary Week is organised annually in April.

Annually on 5th December is organised the National Voluntary Festival, in the frame of which are nominated the persons which are actively involved in promoting voluntary activities in Moldova.

7. Does a strategy (plan) or specific measures for the development of voluntary activities of young people exist in your country?

No strategy or instruments available in this field

8. Please, describe which obstacles to volunteering of young people do still exist in your country and which measures are taken to remove them?

The people who practice voluntary activities consider that an obstacle is the lack of a Law on Volunteering in Moldova, regulations of which will defend the rights of volunteers, offer some facilities. Also, the existence of such a Law will regulate the sustainable support of volunteers and voluntary activities by public institutions.

9. How are voluntary activities of young people promoted in your country, particularly among young people with fewer opportunities? Please give an example of good practice if possible

The best practices in the Voluntary field are promoted in the frame of a National Festival of Voluntary Activities. The event gathers around 1500 persons. The public persons, NGOs members, individuals are awarded with prizes, and receive special certificates which confirm their engagement in voluntary activities.

10. Explain how (by which means) voluntary activities of young people are recognised in your country. Name certificates and other measures used for that purpose.

At the moment the volunteers receive certificates issued by the organisation or institutions where the volunteers perform activities. These certificates are taken into account or have value when the persons apply for trainings, conferences, youth exchange.

11. Which co-operations, networks and exchange programmes do exist in your country for supporting voluntary activities of young people?

At the national level exists a coalition for promoting voluntary activities constituted by the Ministry of Education and Youth, the National Youth Council and some NGOs which promote and activate the volunteering.

12. Do collective volunteering projects exist in your country?

Collective volunteering could be associated with the National Day of Ecology, when persons from the whole country do ecological activities in their communities.

13. Which recent survey or research has been carried out on the topic of voluntary activities?

No information available.