Youth in Action Programme

2012

Round 1

Description of the projects selected for funding

Eastern Partnership Window
AT THE TIME OF PUBLICATION THE FOLLOWING PROJECT DESCRIPTIONS REFLECT THE PROPOSALS AS SUBMITTED BY APPLICANTS FOR THE SUBMISSION DEADLINE
**ACTION 2 – EUROPEAN VOLUNTARY SERVICE**

**REFERENCE:** 526183-2-AM-2012-R1

**TITLE:** Zatik Orphanage

**DESCRIPTION:** Objectives and motivation: the main aim of the project is the work with children-orphans, to provide educational activities and to prepare them for an independent life. Involving international volunteers will be a great opportunity for this project as the children will learn about the culture and traditions of foreign countries. The presence of international volunteers will enrich the program offered to the orphans. The discussions with the children on different subjects will be more interesting in getting to know other beliefs and points of view. Orphans more than other children need care, help and education, to become good members of society in future. Volunteers together with the educators will be involved in the organization of different cultural programs, where children will learn to paint, sculpture, sing and dance; learn different national and foreign songs, games, they will also learn some basic abilities in theatre, art and pantomime. The possibility to organize a big performance with the children is also foreseen. The decorations and text will be prepared by volunteers with the help of children. Also, depending on the abilities, knowledge and fantasy of the volunteer, they will be able to offer different games and courses to the children. Volunteer tasks: The children are divided into 3 age groups. In each group different tasks will be carried out by the volunteers as follows: In addition, volunteers are encouraged to propose activities according to their own interests and skills. The volunteers will stay in a big house, which is rented specially for EVS volunteers. Volunteers will have Armenian language courses 2 times per week during the whole EVS project.

Venue: Yerevan, Armenia  
Duration: 9 months and 12 months  
Number of volunteers: 2  
Theme: Work with children-orphans

**COORDINATOR:** HUJ-Voluntary Service of Armenia

**GRANT AMOUNT:** 12,470,00 €
REFERENCE:  526628-2-GE-2012-R1

TITLE:  Human Rights EVS Caravan

DESCRIPTION:  The group EVS project Human Rights EVS Caravan will be a two months EVS (3rd of September – 3rd of November) with 10 volunteers from Lithuania, Poland, Turkey, Sweden and Austria. This project will take place in different cities of Georgia. EVS will visit different youth centres in towns of the regions in Georgia, belonging to the Human Rights Network Georgia.

In this time participants will organize different activities about Human Rights and democratic values in the different towns with support of the host Youth Club. The main aim is to share lessons learned and skills on the different topics that European Volunteers are experienced in, also to show perspectives about those topics from their countries and backgrounds. Mostly, activities will be held outdoor, prioritizing healthy lifestyle and respect of the environment, trying also to involve the local community which is hosting the Caravan at the moment of the organized activities.

Before the Caravan starts the participants will share their knowledge about different topics they are experienced in, and all of them will be involved in planning activities. In this way the cultural and professional exchange will be promoted. We are looking for volunteers with strong motivation and who are experienced in a topic of Human Rights and/or Environmental issues.

COORDINATOR:  Youth Association DRONI

GRANT AMOUNT:  12.560,00 €
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<td><strong>DESCRIPTION:</strong></td>
<td>The project’s mission in support of European youngsters to promote available initiatives and non-formal education activities for young people and children in Rustavi city. The project will extend the local youth and children opportunities to realize themselves in physical and intellectual fields, and actively participate in the youth and the local environmental, scouting and outdoor education project development and implementation. “Georgian Youth for Europe” (GYE) is going to host 12 short-term EVS volunteer from France Switzerland, Latvia. GYE would like to host a EVS volunteers in Rustavi International Scout Centre and give them and local Georgian youth a possibility to exchange their experience, their views on numerous issues, thus breaking down any stereotypes, eliminating prejudices and experiencing similarities and differences between different European countries. We believe EVS is in a tool that can help integral development and emancipation of young people – it allows to make possible the personal and professional enrichment of the volunteers (local and European), in general, and, specifically, in relation to youth promotion.</td>
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TITLE: New Breath to the Women Football

DESCRIPTION: Azerbaijan will host FIFA U-17 Women’s World Cup Azerbaijan 2012 from 22nd September to 13th October 2012. 16 countries from all over the world will take part at this huge competition.

After FIFA Executive Committee’s approval on 19th March 2010 AFFA created Local Organizing Committee (LOC) to start preparations for the world cup. Nowadays, FIFA Tournaments are unthinkable without volunteers. Taking into the consideration importance of volunteers, we have prepared special program on volunteering management.

Main environment of the project is stadiums. The World Cup matches will be held in host cities: Baku (capital) and Lankaran. There are 5 stadiums which are accepted as main match playing venues. 4 of them are situated in Baku and one in Lankaran.

Although, the tournament will be organized in two venue cities EVS volunteers will be hosted Baku. Considering that 95% of the matches will be held in Baku and main part of the staff stays in Baku, EVS volunteers will be fully supported by the staff.

During the World Cup all works will be divided into 2 parts: works at stadium venues and back office works. Volunteers mainly will service at the venues. For comfort and coordination of volunteering work all stadiums have volunteering centres where all volunteer come together for discussions, planning phases and of course for fun. Working time will be conducted at different zones at the stadiums, hotels and other related places:
- Information zone
- Volunteer Center
- Security and Emergency area
- Fun zone
- Hospitality areas
- Playing area
- Medical Facilities
- Doping Control
- FIFA offices
- LOC offices and meeting rooms
- Ceremonies: opening, closing and etc.
- Media Interview areas/ Press Conference rooms
- Stadium Media Centres
- Broadcast areas
- IT technical areas
- Airports/ hotels, welcome desks

In the frame of the project 30 volunteers are planned to host from 4 countries. Estonia, Italy, Poland and Romania.

COORDINATOR: Association of Football Federations of Azerbaijan

GRANT AMOUNT: 47.835,00 €
**REFERENCE:** 526407-2-MD-2012-R1

**TITLE:** Learning for Life

**DESCRIPTION:** This project enables 8 young unemployed volunteers from Germany, France, the Netherlands, Sweden and the UK to be engaged in voluntary service projects in Moldova for 12 months. The young volunteers and the host organizations will be engaged in sharing knowledge and experience and adding an intercultural note in the field of work related to children and youth of disadvantaged background coming from rural areas.

All the volunteers will come from the EU and they will be living examples of cooperation with the European Union. In addition, the volunteers will fight stereotypes by leading through example. They will show that Europeans value youth and children with fewer opportunities and low education on an equal basis to ‘normal’ youth and children and are interested in cross-cultural dialogue and understanding.

The volunteers will promote volunteer work abroad, and through their experiences become more active citizens. Returning to their home countries they will understand the value of community development, have a better understanding of their own culture, and be interested in furthering their personal development.

This project also aims at raising awareness of the value and importance of volunteering as a form of active engagement and as a tool to develop or improve competencies for personal, social and professional development. We hope we can motivate the local youth to be active within the Youth in Action programme and to become EVS volunteers and / or develop some local or international projects themselves. The volunteers will get many important skills and experiences according to the competencies described in the Youthpass.

**COORDINATOR:** ADVIT "Europa fara frontiere"

**GRANT AMOUNT:** 56.820,00 €
REFERENCE: 526664-2-AM-2012-R1

TITLE: Mixture of Cultures

DESCRIPTION: The general theme of this activity is raising European awareness and fostering cultural exchange in the city of Gyumri. The project is a response to a strongly present interest in and a need to facilitate access to European culture in general, especially for young people from disadvantaged backgrounds. The project is a need to facilitate the “European Corner” held by YIC.
The project also directly aims at enlarging the scope of knowledge of the local youth on European citizenship, get them to know other cultures, to understand that whatever is different is not necessarily wrong but rather a new field of knowledge one should acquire. The project will actively involve the local youth in creating their own future and building their personal life and the life of the community they live in. Finally, the project aims at developing the organizational skills of “Youth Initiative Centre” NGO in Gyumri, share their experience and give practical advice on helping them to develop their own EVS projects by means of establishing long-term cooperation with the EU partners.
The project will also form part of a wider campaign aimed at promoting youth activity and volunteerism in Armenia.
During the 8 months of Volunteers Service in Gyumri, Armenia the volunteers from Portugal, Romania and Austria will be held Language and Cultural Clubs within “European Corner” presenting their cultures and languages.
The project will help to raise the level of knowledge of the local youth on European citizenship, get them to know other cultures, to understand that whatever is different is not necessarily wrong but rather a new field of knowledge one should acquire.

COORDINATOR: "Youth Initiative Centre" NGO

GRANT AMOUNT: 14.730,00€
**ACTION 3 – YOUTH IN THE WORLD**

**ACTION 3.1 – COOPERATION WITH THE NEIGHBOURING COUNTRIES OF THE EUROPEAN UNION**

**TRAINING AND NETWORKING**

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| **Description:** | In response to the growing youth unemployment Europewide, “Youth Initiative Centre” NGO /Armenia/ launches partnership process for a 7-day international training course aimed at promoting volunteering as a mechanism for increasing youth employability. The TC introduces the 3R methodology /Recruitment, Retainment, and Recognition / on promoting volunteerism as a mechanism for increasing youth employability. During the TC, the participants will acquire knowledge, skills and tools on recruitment, retention, and recognition of voluntary work; how to apply voluntary experience for increasing employment opportunities /attitude, skill competence, networking/ get the chance to reflect upon volunteering as a mechanism for bringing positive change and to share best practices on volunteering and youth participation in different European countries; and finally build partnership among civil society organizations from the Programme and Neighbouring Partner countries concerning volunteering and youth employment. The project will be based in the principles of Non-Formal Education and will further contribute to the recognition of non-formal education through the vast application of the latter in the training activities. The project will be held in mid-October in Armenia and it will host 30 participants from 15 countries. |
| **Coordinator:** | Gyumri "Youth Initiative Centre" NGO |
| **Grant Amount:** | 20,262,00 € |
**REFERENCE:** 526908-3.1-AM-2012-R1

**TITLE:** PBA YOUth-Entrepreneur

**DESCRIPTION:** SYC is the applicant and host of a partnership building activity 'YOUth - Entrepreneur' to take place in Tsaghkadzor, Armenia 19-21 October, 2012. The PBA will connect 16 youth organizations from EU and Eastern European/Caucasian countries working with disadvantaged youth (rural and deprived urban youth, unemployed youth, and socially, economically and culturally disadvantaged youth). Organizations will get a chance to share their experiences and develop skills on how to develop entrepreneurial skills in youth, promote active citizenship and how to be creative in youth work. We will discuss the possibilities and priorities of the Youth in Action Programme, new opportunities under Eastern Partnership Youth Window for partnership among EU and Eastern European countries. The PBA also aims to develop partnerships and create new joint projects on the topics of the PBA (entrepreneurship, creativity and active citizenship) as well as get new skills to assure effective projects in the future and the multiplying effect. Non-formal educational methods will be used throughout the PBA including interactive sessions and presentations, discussions, parallel workshops, artistic sessions, working groups, information sharing, etc.

**COORDINATOR:** Stepanavan Youth Center

**GRANT AMOUNT:** 18,493,00 €
REFERENCE: 527045-3.1-AM-2012-R1

TITLE: Gateways to the OTHER...

DESCRIPTION: The project “Gateways to the OTHER...” is designed as a Partnership Building Activity of 5 working days (excluding travel), which will be held in Armenia, Tsakhkadzor from the 17th of September till 21th of September 2012. The main themes of the project are the Intercultural dimension of EVS and building a Network of like-minded EVS organisation. Representatives of active EVS organisations will come together to develop mechanisms for strengthening the intercultural aspect of EVS and to build a strong cooperation for future joint projects and stable partnership. In the PBA 20 participants from 15 countries (from 20 different organisations) will be participating, the profile of the participants will be EVS coordinators or people, responsible for EVS management in their organizations. The objectives of this project are building a strong cooperation and a network of like-minded YNGOs aimed at promotion of Intercultural learning, in particular through EVS projects; developing and further realizing various types of YiA projects, especially EVS, with a theme of ICL; developing and sharing methodologies for organizing the intercultural learning process of EVS volunteers effectively (putting stress on young people with fewer opportunities, in particular from rural and deprived urban areas) and develop tools for promoting ICL in EVS Activities; developing and sharing tools for raising the Intercultural qualifications of EVS support people (mentor, coordinator, language teacher). During the Activity the methods of non-formal learning will be applied (such as ice-breakers, workshops, simulation activities, group discussions, etc.). The dimension of intercultural learning is a relevant axis of the PBA project.

COORDINATOR: Intl. Center for Intercultural Research, Learning and Dialogue

GRANT AMOUNT: 13.586,00 €
TITLE: Youth for Peace via Cultures

DESCRIPTION: This project proposes a 5 days trainings based on the Learning to Live Together manual for 33 participants from 11 organizations in European Union and non-European Union countries. We will use non-formal education, participants personal approach and interactive methods where the group is the main tool and source of knowledge for making the training an exercise in best practice. The TC will take place in Azerbaijan and will involve participants from Georgia, Ukraine, Moldova, Russia, Czech Republic, Slovakia, Germany, Turkey, Hungary and Poland.

DANIB will be host organization in Azerbaijan of Youth for Peace via Cultures Project and are responsible to organize training, sending invitations to participants and experts, arranging accommodation and training place. This project is the first initiative of DANIB on writing proposal to Youth in Action program and hope after receiving positive response we will continue to give more contribution in future also.

COORDINATOR: “For Democratic Azerbaijan” Youth Public Union

GRANT AMOUNT: 20.753,00 €
REFERENCE: 526322-3.1-MD-2012-R1

TITLE: ProChange

DESCRIPTION: The “ProChange” project offers a seven days training. It aims to educate 20 youth leaders who will promote Youth in Action program and will implement youth projects in Eastern countries. The project origins a training developed in October 2011 in Moldova wherein participants expressed their need to acquire tools to design projects under Youth in Action program and their interest to develop joint projects with Eastern Countries. During this training the participants will deepen their knowledge upon Youth in Action program, its priorities, objectives and actions. The New Eastern Partnership Youth Window will be promoted as a mean to increase the youth work in Eastern countries. Participants will be familiarized with YiA application forms and will proceed to design YiA projects. Participants will, also, get an introduction to EU institutions, other funding opportunities, project management and Intercultural learning process.

The project involves, both, program countries and Eastern Partnership countries. These are Denmark, Romania, Ukraine and Moldova. The project will be developed in Chisinau, Moldova, between 23rd and 31st of August 2012.

COORDINATOR: Asociația Obștească "Copiii Bugeacului"

GRANT AMOUNT: 13.316,00 €
TITLE: I Work to Get a Work

DESCRIPTION: A training course will bring together 24 unemployed youth, youth organizations, policymakers, researchers to support their professional and personal development by providing them with useful tools and methods for employability-oriented coaching for international youth work and within the framework of Youth in Action Programme.

The project will stimulate young unemployed people's active participation in society and encourage about how European Youth in Action projects can be used as tool to improve the access of young people with fewer opportunities into labour market.

The training will develop participants' understanding of social inclusion and the way they can promote it through non formal education activities, which provides very valuable learning experiences for young people, like work in teams, taking responsibility, programme design, leadership and facilitating, group dynamics, communication and management skills, intercultural learning and etc.

The projects will stimulate young people's spirit of creativity and entrepreneurship, employability, in particular through youth initiatives.

It will provide necessary information about the micro economical youth opportunities (micro-credits), how to start own busyness in rural, will be find out about social media and learn a variety of techniques to develop creativity and entrepreneurship, possibilities offers youth mobility schemes.

One of the expected outcomes of the course is the project that participants are expected to identify and develop during the course – individually or in partnership with other participants – and to implement after the course. The participants will get individual coaching to make own initiatives into REALITY AND ACTION. The projects can take multiple forms but should have one common aim: to follow-up the course by introducing different tools to support the recognition and transfer of these learning experiences into young people's further studies or labour market.

COORDINATOR: Foundation of the Development of the Inter Relations ERTOSA

GRANT AMOUNT: 16.758,00 €
**REFERENCE:** 526099-3.1-GE-2012-R1

**TITLE:** Get Moving! Outdoor Learning Skills Training

**DESCRIPTION:** The main goal of the Training Course “Get Moving! Outdoor Learning Skills Training” is to encourage young people’s healthy lifestyles, promoting outdoor activities and bringing young people closer to the environment. Above mentioned goal will be achieved through a 7-days programme of activities for youth workers and youth leaders from Estonia, Latvia, Poland, Georgia, Armenia and Azerbaijan. As a product of the TC, participants will be provided with tools and methods for outdoor education. They will have a chance to reflect on the changing lifestyles of young people and the beneficial effects of using outdoor methods, promoting healthier lifestyles, bringing young people closer to environment and the countryside. This will be done to foster young people’s physical and mental wellbeing, promoting environmental protection activities and bringing young people from different backgrounds together. The project aims at promoting the inclusion of youngsters with fewer opportunities and those from culturally diverse backgrounds.

**COORDINATOR:** Agency of Youth Promotion and Development „COMPASS”

**GRANT AMOUNT:** 17,486,00 €
REFERENCE: 526550-3.1-AM-2012-R1

TITLE: Training "For Peace and Understanding"

DESCRIPTION: Applicant organization of the Training course "For Peace and Understanding" is Youth Club for Intercultural Dialogue, Democracy and Peace, which will host the project. The Training course will take place in Cultural and Sport Centre of Armenia, in the city Tsaghkadzor. Themes of the training are: Intercultural Dialogue and Solidarity, European citizenship, Peace and Tolerance. The objectives of our project are: to promote mutual understanding, intercultural dialogue and European citizenship among young people across ethnic, religious, linguistic and national dividing lines, to support the creation of a network of youth non-governmental organizations, youth leaders and multipliers from EU and Neighbouring countries, to let youth workers in multicultural suburbs receive training and develop innovative youth projects.

Duration of the project is 7 days. There will be participants from Armenia, Latvia, Georgia, Lithuania, Moldova, Poland, Romania and Ukraine. Total number of participants is 31.

Implemented activities are: Exercises, group works, round tables, group discussions. Our working methods are:
- Ice-breaking exercises.
- Group-building and team-building exercises.
- Leadership, teamwork and group-work skills development tasks.
- Practical challenges and skills development exercises.
- Group discussions.
- Site visits.
- Intercultural experiences.
- Individual reflection.
- Reflection groups.

COORDINATOR: Youth Club for Intercultural Dialogue, Democracy and Peace

GRANT AMOUNT: 22,230,00 €
TITLE:  Seminar "Breaking Barriers for Common Europe"

DESCRIPTION: Europe and its potential for further enlargement increasingly exert a direct influence on the life of young people within the EU and its Neighbouring Countries. The general topic of the seminar “Breaking Barriers for Common Europe” is the European Citizenship and it will focus on the current situation within the Eastern Partnership Program, the current stage of EU cooperation with the pre-accession countries and the role of young people in these processes. The seminar will bring together 33 participants from 11 youth organizations from the EU (Czech Republic, Greece, Slovenia, Italy), pre-accession countries (Croatia, Turkey) and from the EECA (Armenia, Georgia, Belarus, Ukraine, Russian Federation) region. What is most significant is that this seminar will bring together young people from disadvantaged regions both EU and EECA, e.g. Italians leaving in an island in the middle of the Mediterranean sea, Armenians, Georgians from a region with number of closed boarders and conflicts, Belarus with its political situation, this will help to trigger very interesting debate, and success stories of Croatia and the uncertain situation over Turkey’s accession to EU will provide different perspectives.

The objectives of this seven day seminar are but not limited to;
• explore the concept of citizenship in general and European citizenship in particular
• discuss, debate and share their views on different stages of European cooperation
• reflect on the role of the young people and the youth work in the processes to understand weather the youth engagement was provided enough or if there is a room for improvement
• share best practices of successful cooperation with the organizations from Neighbouring Countries.

During the seminar we will invite experts that are actively involved in the Eastern Partnership process and we will organize a meeting with the representatives of the EC Delegation to Armenia.

The Seminar will take place on 21-28 September, 2012 in Dilijan, Armenia.

COORDINATOR: Civic Forum NGO

GRANT AMOUNT: 21.008,00 €
**REFERENCE:** 526356-3.1-AM-2012-R1

**TITLE:** Let us experience

**DESCRIPTION:** “Let us experience” training course for facilitators addresses the needs of youth organizations and other youth work institutions to have competent and autonomous volunteers and staff capable of facilitating youth exchanges from following countries: Spain, Italy, Bulgaria, Romania, Armenia, Georgia and Ukraine. It is an inspiring, international training course, designed for young people who are active on local, national or international level and who have an interest in facilitating youth groups with an intercultural and/or international dimension. The main aim of this training course is to train participants on applying quality standards in organizing, implementing, evaluating and planning an effective Youth Exchanges in the framework of Youth in Action Programme. The training course will last 7 days, 20-26 August, 2012 in Dilijan, Armenia. It will be organized by Loesje Armenia in cooperation with Spanish Cazalla Intercultural.

**COORDINATOR:** Loesje Armenia

**GRANT AMOUNT:** 18,634,00 €
### Reference: 526168-3.1-MD-2012-R1

### Title: Human Rights Re-Action

### Description:
The Training Course “Human Rights Re-Action” aims to develop the capacity of 24 youth workers in the area of Human Rights by focusing on knowledge, skills and attitude, with a strong multiplying effect by developing the skills of a HR Educator. The project will strengthen the ability to React on HR violation situations and Act in terms of understanding, promoting and protecting the rights.

The agenda is design for 5 days including informative, practical and experimental sessions with a strong focus on European realities. The project will serve a platform for sharing the experience and best practices in the HR domain. In frame of the project, participants will have the opportunity to explore and to develop their training competencies and put them into practice by creating sessions and projects within the Youth in Action Programme. The main topics to be addressed are going to be: Human Rights Education, Facilitating and Training competencies and Youth in Action Programme.

The Training will run in Cosnita, Chisinau, Republic of Moldova having on board 24 participants as a result of cooperation between 12 organizations coming from Moldova, Ukraine, Azerbaijan, Georgia, Armenia, UK, Turkey, Latvia Italy, Spain.

### Coordinator: Youth Generation (A.O. Generatia Tinerilor)

### Grant Amount: 17.478,00 €
REFERENCE: 526357-3.1-GE-2012-R1

TITLE: Gender connection

DESCRIPTION: The partnership-building activity “Gender Connection” is designed to provide the opportunity for youth workers, project managers and youth leaders working with youth in Programme countries and Eastern Europe and Caucasus (EECA) to meet, to build the common understanding on gender issues, to discuss the challenges of gender equality in youth work, to discover how to build good quality projects within “Youth in Action” programme as well as to develop concrete ideas for future projects on the topic. As a long lasting effect, we hope to raise the participant’s level of gender-sensitivity.

The partnership-building activity would last for 6 days (excluding travel), include 30 participants that are motivated to build projects together from altogether 17 organizations in Programme countries (Latvia, Poland, Bulgaria, Italy, Romania, Estonia and Turkey) and Eastern Europe and Caucasus (Armenia, Azerbaijan, Georgia, Ukraine, Moldova and Belarus). It would be held in Rustavi, Georgia.

To assure the maximum effect of the project, apart from typical non-formal education learning methods (group work, discussions, role-plays, simulations, etc.), to understand better the challenges of gender issues in EECA region, during the project participants will also have the chance to meet with representatives from different gender/female organization as well as interact with the locals.

The applicant and host of the project is Anti-Violence Network of Georgia, which has extensive experience in the field of promoting gender equality.

COORDINATOR: Anti-Violence Network of Georgia

GRANT AMOUNT: 19.176,50 €
REFERENCE: 526532-3.1-MD-2012-R1

TITLE: Handmade Future

DESCRIPTION: The Union "Women of the Balti Region" will host a seminar on Tradition and Innovation for Rural Development "Handmade Future", within the Youth in Action Training and Networking activities. The event will take place in Drochia, a city in northern part of Moldova. During six days, 42 participants from Armenia, Azerbaijan, Czech Republic, Georgia, Moldova, and Romania will explore the current challenges in rural development and will try to find creative solutions for it. Among general objectives are acquiring a sense of national identity, in line with the motto "Unity in Diversity"; stop massive emigration of young people; raising their self-confidence and awareness about human agency. We want these young people to become proactive in terms of starting their own businesses, namely to foster youth entrepreneurship; to change perceptions of young people regarding living in rural areas; we want them to understand that there are plenty of opportunities in the countryside value chain, namely to give them alternatives, especially to female adolescents. We want to contribute to youth empowerment, rural diversification and eco-innovation. The project will focus on discussions among the participants and experts, gaining hands-on experience and examining real life examples of successful businesses started by women in villages. We will mainly rely on non-formal education learning methods, where participants will learn by doing and will have plenty of time to discover Moldova and socialize.

COORDINATOR: Women of the Balti Region

GRANT AMOUNT: 21.653,10 €
The Training of Trainers “Intercultural Learning Against Discrimination” will be organized for 30 youth workers from Armenia, Belarus, Moldova, Georgia, Ukraine, Germany, Greece, Latvia, Romania, and Poland. The training is aimed to improve training competences of trainers, facilitators and team leaders on intercultural learning and anti-discrimination when working on international and local youth projects for marginalized youth in cooperation with Neighbouring Partner Countries.

Concretely the objectives of the training course are:
- To improve competences of trainers, facilitators and team leaders on intercultural learning and anti-discrimination
- To share experiences and expertise from trainer to trainer
- To develop new approaches and concrete methods for international youth exchanges
- To provide time and space for individual development of the participants as trainers and facilitators

Key elements of the training will be discrimination and its appearance in contemporary Europe, programme design and development for workshops, seminars and youth encounters, non-formal education and leading of workshops.

The training course is based on a non-formal and a trainee centred approach putting the needs and abilities of the participants into the centre of the training. A broad range of educational means will be applied ranging from role plays, workshops, to short interactive exercises and trainee-led sessions.

The Georgian youth organisation Youth for the World will host the training course in Batumi (Georgia). Its dates are 22nd until 30th of September 2012.

**COORDINATOR:** Youth For The World

**GRANT AMOUNT:** 23,906,00 €
REFERENCE: 526557-3.1-AM-2012-R1

TITLE: East&West Building Projects for Rural Youth

DESCRIPTION: The general idea of the PBA “East & West Building Projects for Rural Youth” (Armenia-Dilijan, 6-14 October 2012) is to give the opportunity for youth workers, project managers and youth leaders working with youth in rural areas (in Europe or Eastern Europe and Caucasus (EECA)) to meet, share experience and good practices of youth work in rural areas and develop common projects that provide support and encourage active participation of rural youth.

The PBA would last for 6 days (excluding travel), include 30 participants from 16 different organizations from Programme countries (Latvia, Lithuania, Denmark, Hungary, Estonia, Italy, Slovakia, Poland, Turkey, Romania) and EECA (Armenia, Georgia, Moldova and Ukraine).

Partnership-building will be at the very core of project, because worked out project ideas will provide clear result and multiplying effect of the project. To assure the maximum effect of the project, apart from typical non-formal education learning methods (group work, discussions, role-plays, simulations, etc.), to understand better the challenges of rural youth in Armenia/EECA region, during the project participants will also have the chance to interact with local youth.

The applicant and host of the project is Armenian “Youth Cooperation Centre of Dilijan” NGO.

COORDINATOR: Youth Cooperation center of Dilijan NGO

GRANT AMOUNT: 19.449,50 €
TITLE: Get ready to act! - Empowerment and Social Inclusion

DESCRIPTION: The seminar “Get ready to act! - Empowerment and Social Inclusion for marginalized Youth” aims at an exchange of expertise and practice on currently applied approaches and methodology in the field of youth inclusion and youth empowerment.

The specific target group of the project is youth workers working with marginalized young people such as ethnic minorities and migrants, rural youth, urban youth at the edge of the poverty line, refugees and Internally Displaced People, because those young people are particularly suffering from exclusion all across Europe.

Based on the vision of a common European identity and European Citizenship potentials for an increased youth inclusion with the starting point on local level culminating on Europe level will be elaborated.

Therefore, the seminar will provide a platform for youth workers to learn how marginalised young people can take an active role on local and international level and to have their voice heard regarding current European challenges. An exchange of tools and approaches for active participation of young people and means of influencing and creating youth policy on local and national level will be core elements of seminar. Last but not least, the seminar shall contribute to develop the capacity of civil society organisations and individuals working with and for marginalised young people to make the voice of the young be heard and to aggregate their interests and needs on political level.

The project will be organized for 30 youth workers from Armenia, Azerbaijan, Ukraine, Georgia, Moldova, Germany, Lithuania, Romania, Estonia and Italy.

The Academy for Peace and Development will coordinate and host the project in Kobuleti, Georgia, from 8-16 September 2012.

COORDINATOR: Academy for Peace and Development

GRANT AMOUNT: 22.702,00 €
REFERENCE: 526651-3.1-GE-2012-R1

TITLE: “EVERYONE HAS GOT THEIR STORY - TC ON MIGRATIONS

DESCRIPTION: This seven-day training course, taking place in Georgia in October 2012, will gather youth workers from EU and EECA countries to address challenges and opportunities related to migration and mobility in Europe. Issues such as East-West and South-North migration, European mobility programmes as well as raising awareness of the challenges of international migration and the role of young people in it will be discussed. Sharper focus put on the vulnerability of young people in these processes and how they can be protected. As a result of the training course, participating youth workers will gain knowledge and skills necessary in developing migration and mobility-related projects in their countries and communities.

COORDINATOR: Youth Association DRONI

GRANT AMOUNT: 20.139,00 €
REFERENCE: 526925-3.1-MD-2012-R1

TITLE: Credibility via Civic Journalism

DESCRIPTION: "International Committee of Civic Diplomacy" is pleased to host a training course entitled “Credibility via Civic Journalism: We Communicate to be Valuable”, to be held between September 1 to 11, 2012 in the capital of Moldova - Chisinau. The project is going to be implemented in partnership with other eleven promoters from Armenia, Azerbaijan, Belarus, Belgium, France, Iceland, Italy, Latvia, Poland, Sweden, and Ukraine. Twenty-six young people from rural and urban areas will be involved in the project. Involvement of youngsters in civic participation and elections is low in the European Union and they don’t believe in changes and promises anymore. Learning about civic journalism from different countries will be a step toward developing the idea of citizenship, as 2013 will be the “European Citizenship Year”. The project goal is to improve participants’ competences, skills and attitudes by learning about civic journalism from each participating country. The project will improve practical skills regarding communication and will increase the level of mutual cooperation between participants from rural areas as well as from urban ones. Learning civic journalism via participation and communication will align journalistic practices with the ways that citizens form publics, in turn creating a more efficient and reciprocal way of communicating with readers. It will make young people to exchange ideas, to evaluate and make analysis on how civic journalism works and how it is in different countries.

COORDINATOR: International Committee of Civic Diplomacy

GRANT AMOUNT: 18.609,20 €
REFERENCE: 526938-3.1-GE-2012-R1

TITLE: Empowering Youth in Rural Areas

DESCRIPTION: The general idea of the seminar “Empowering Youth in Rural Areas” (Georgia-Rustavi, 16-23 September, 2012) is to create a platform for youth workers, project managers and youth leaders working with youth in rural areas in Europe and Eastern Europe and Caucasus (EECA) in order to discuss challenges that young people currently face (especially when it comes to unemployment and development of competencies necessary for 21-st century job market) and to exchange good practice on how to empower/support young people in becoming more mobile, competitive in job market and more active citizens.

The seminar would last for 6 days (excluding travel), include 30 participants from 15 different organizations from Programme countries (Latvia, Poland, Italy, Portugal, Spain, Croatia, Romania) and Eastern Europe and Caucasus (Armenia, Azerbaijan, Georgia, Russia, Moldova, Ukraine and Belarus).

During the seminar emphasis will be put on using the group as resource for sharing best practices and tools, nevertheless, also some theoretical input will be provided. Apart from typical non-formal education learning methods (group work, discussions, role-plays, simulations, etc.), to understand better the challenges of youth from rural areas within EECA region, during the project participants will also have the chance to meet with locals.

The applicant and host of the project is association “Volunteers of Georgia”.

COORDINATOR: Volunteers of Georgia

GRANT AMOUNT: 19,740,00 €
**REFERENCE:** 526978-3.1-MD-2012-R1

**TITLE:** Learning Citizenship by Civic Engagement

**DESCRIPTION:** The training project, entitled “Learning Citizenship by Civic Engagement in my Community” will take place in Moldovan capital Chisinau, between October 29 and November 5, 2012. The hosting organisation "Social Impact" will welcome 24 young people from Armenia, Azerbaijan, Belarus, Georgia, Greece, Norway, and Ukraine. Our goal is to promote young people’s active participation as a key factor in attaining good results in social changes. The project aims to strengthen the organizational capacities of young people with few opportunities from rural area, to improve participants’ knowledge and skills in learning citizenship, to share expertise contribution of participants in civic engagement issue and to activate participants’ civil society in their own countries at local and regional level. The project will prepare and promote youth citizens’ participation in the democratic process, as well as other social and civic activities within the community.

**COORDINATOR:** Social Impact

**GRANT AMOUNT:** 13.017,20 €
REFERENCE: 526446-3.1-UA-2012-R1

TITLE: FreeStyle Facilitation

DESCRIPTION: FreeStyle Facilitation is a training project that will bring together 21 youth workers/leaders who are interested in developing basic competences in facilitation of learning processes and services provided for young people with the aim of empowering them. We specifically focus on deepening the understanding of facilitation, improve professional competences of youth workers, providing a space for practice, deepen the theoretical knowledge of the participants and create new partnerships.

The preparation phase of the training course will be based on needs assessment of participants and the programme of the training course will be developed in relation to this.

The training course will last for 7 full working days and will take place in Ukraine. It involves partners from Belgium, Belarus, Portugal, Cyprus, Ukraine and Armenia. The activities will be set in a Non-Formal education framework using participant directed activities focussed at the needs of the participants.

After the training course, each participant will develop a facilitation project and plan, and will implement them in their daily activities.

The programme will be built according to needs assessment of participants, the follow-up will be documented and further collaboration will also be supported during the project. The web-site www.freestylefacilitation.org will be used as a communication and documenting tool of the project. Given the importance of facilitation skills of youth workers/leaders, we reckon the theme of the project is in itself innovative and, although facilitation is the baseline of each youth worker/leaders’s competences, little tackled as a main theme in the training field in Europe today.

COORDINATOR: Donetsk Youth Debate Centre

GRANT AMOUNT: 17.558,00 €
"Creative Entrepreneurship" is a training course specially designed for young people to encourage them for creation of their own social or business projects. The value of the training is in designing and implementation of small entrepreneur ideas of participants to get experience for realization them coming back home. The main activity will take place in 20-28 October 2012 in Lviv, Ukraine. 9-days training is open for 4 participants from 6 countries: Armenia, Georgia, Italy, Lithuania, Poland and Ukraine.

The aim of the project is to promote entrepreneurship and initiative, through creativity and non-formal education among young people.

The main objectives of the project are:
- creation and realization of 6 business or social projects by the participants during the training;
- creation of 8000 leaflets with creative tools for successful entrepreneurship in 6 languages and dissemination them in 6 countries among youth;
- sharing the knowledge about youth entrepreneurship experience and opportunities in Post Soviet and EU Countries through internet and printed press in 6 countries;
- implementation of entrepreneurship plans of participants after the training;
- new partners and contacts from other countries.

This training course is designed for youth leaders and young people who are interested in entrepreneurship and creative ways of making the own business. As the name of the project shows, creativity will be the main tool to approach these topics for young people. The project Creative Entrepreneurship is based on learning-by-doing experience, built on workshops, info sessions, outdoor activities, games, evaluations, theatre performances, practical assignments, group activities, practising, modelling, etc.

During the training participants will have an opportunity to discover themselves, develop their personal, entrepreneur and leadership skills by working alone and in groups to foster creation of their own projects for their society.
"Volunteer-pedia" will gather 25 participants from 9 countries in November 2012 in Ukraine to discuss debate share and learn everything you want to know about volunteering and (international) youth work, and everything you can do about volunteer work. The project is addressing the theme of active citizenship as one of the main European values, and volunteering as practical tool to achieve it. Internet activism will be among the issues addressed, and the project will be presented online in real time. The pedia in the title refers to encyclopaedia, so the project makes an attempt to address volunteering from encyclopaedia perspective, however avoiding academic approach – and taking grass root one, and opinion of volunteers themselves.

The program will consist of parallel blocks or workshops, partly big open space. Participants will be welcome to propose topics and run some workshops themselves. The methods used during the training will contribute to informal and non-formal learning, social and personal development of the participants and will enrich their intercultural competencies. The outcomes will include increased skills and competencies of participants, improved international communication and cooperation, pedia materials on volunteering, and ideas for new international projects and activities in the framework of Youth in Action programme.

COORDINATOR: Interregional Volunteer Organization (IVO) "SVIT-Ukraine"

GRANT AMOUNT: 16,289,00 €
**YOUTH EXCHANGES**

**REFERENCE:** 526432-3.1-AM-2012-R1

**TITLE:** "Young Reporters in Action"

**DESCRIPTION:**

In the modern world the media plays a significant role. It shapes and makes opinions and it is a powerful tool to shape the reality of the world. The role of the media in any society can be both negative and positive, but the society should also know how to perceive media. Civic Forum together with its partners came up with an idea of a youth exchange which will give 48 ((5+1)x8) young people from 4 program (Estonia, Malta, Italy, Portugal) and 4 partner (Armenia, Georgia, Ukraine, Moldova) countries an opportunity to get together and talk about their view on media, about the role that media plays in their life and get an opportunity to “play” media to understand how objective or how bias topics related to Human rights, civic liberties and issues concerning youth are covered in the media. The participants of this exchange will have an opportunity to put themselves in shoes of an editor, reporter, publisher, media owner, etc. The results of their work will be put on a live blog and an ISUU.com magazine. We will use different methods of non formal education to achieve the objectives of our exchange which are:

> To make sure that the actual exchange of ideas, experiences and realities took place among participants of the exchange
> To stimulate the dialogue among participants about issues of common interest: human rights, cultural integration, mutual respect and understanding, access to education, civic liberties, etc.
> To support the development of their common European identity.
> To understand clearly the role of media in today’s world
> To encourage critical thinking towards media products
> To have a strong local impact by involving young people from the local neighbourhood
> To encourage their active participation in decision making and shaping processes
> To develop their traditional and non-traditional media skills

The Exchange will last 9 days plus 1 travel day and is planned to take place in Dilijan, Armenia from 8-17 Sept., 2012. Hosted by Civic Forum.

**COORDINATOR:** "Civic Forum" NGO

**GRANT AMOUNT:** 24,942,00 €
REFERENCE: 526835-3.1-AM-2012-R1

TITLE: Youth Exchange "Connect and Improvise"

DESCRIPTION: SYC will host the youth exchange “Connect and Improvise” which will connect 32 youngsters from Armenia, Georgia, Slovakia and Hungary to provide space for young people to use improvisation, creativity and arts to discuss social issues and multiculturalism in Europe. Creative artistic environment will reflect the views, voices and opinions of youngsters on current social and cultural situation and issues in Europe. Half of the participants from each group will be underserved, disadvantaged youth including social, economical, cultural disadvantages, rural youth. The project will take place in Stepanavan, Armenia. The eight days of the youth exchange will empower youngsters with disadvantaged and "privileged" backgrounds to discuss social challenges they see in their societies in an inspiring and relaxed environment. They will organize an IMPRO event for children in Zangak Social Center passing the newly acquired skills (e.g. in improvisation theatre, dancing, photography or any other tool selected by the group) to local kids. The YE will be focused on European citizenship and active youth participation and on enlarging capacity and role of young people in tolerance and inclusion.

COORDINATOR: Stepanavan Youth Center

GRANT AMOUNT: 19,411,30 €
The youth exchange hosting in Vadul Lui Vode town by “Centrul de Sustinere si Dezvoltare "Lotusul de Aur" Moldovan youth organization, aims to promote young people’s active citizenship through development of understanding of European ground values and ways of translation of those values on the local level in different countries by young activists. The project was born after European Commission opened Eastern Partnership Window, so there are 4 organizations from Eastern Europe participate in the project (Moldova, Ukraine, Belarus and Azerbaijan) and 2 organizations from the EU (Poland and Czech Republic), to foster mutual understanding among young people from different parts of Europe and to find ways for cooperation in different themes relevant to youth needs of participating countries. The main focus of the youth exchange will be done on challenges to social equality of people in participating countries, in particular on gender and national discrimination, age discrimination and discrimination on the basis of health problems. During the 7-days youth exchange 30 young people from 6 countries will discover European ground values and try to combine those values with the realities of countries where they live, will discuss certain situation with visible and invisible discrimination in their countries, explore how mentioned above types of discrimination can be overcome and how youth programs can contribute this process, using non-formal education methods (simulation games, best practices exchange, forum theatre, exercises, debates, small group work, creative self-expression). The last phase of the exchange will be conducted to producing of non-formal and informal youth initiatives which can be realized to practice competences developed during the exchange. Those initiatives won’t necessary ask for the support from different foundations, but will be designed to be able to come true even without financial support, basing of enthusiasm and peer support of young people.
REFERENCE: 526558-3.1-GE-2012-R1

TITLE: Challenge your village!

DESCRIPTION: "Challenge Your Village!" is an innovative youth project which looks to link the topic of rural village reality - problems and opportunities. 22 young people from Georgia, France and Latvia will come together in the small Georgian village of Tvrini. Youth participants will have an opportunity to discuss life in their local rural communities and will find out what kind of benefits they can gain from living there. Consequently these are real problems that need attention in rural villages throughout Georgia and the rest of Europe. We look to focus on enabling the participants to work together to make creative messages in order to invite society to break stereotypes and prejudices. During the project participants will have discussions and workshops and the main result will be the creation of short movies, a photo exhibition and a postcard action. The action will continue through participating organizations and networks.

COORDINATOR: Association "Georgian Youth For Europe"

GRANT AMOUNT: 11.761,00 €
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<td>DESCRIPTION:</td>
<td>Cultural Fusion is an arts &amp; culture youth exchange that will take place in Georgia. The YE will last for 8 days. 32 participants and 2-4 group leaders will come together from 2 EU countries and 2 Partner countries in the Caucasus. The project aims to create an environment where participants move beyond the cultural / national boundaries which divide them while finding new ways of interacting and cooperating through amateur art (song/dance/drama/mime). They will find common ways of communicating with each other, despite the fact that they all speak different languages. The theatre play / musical that the participants will be producing together, is one of the methods which will help them to learn more about each other. Non-formal learning will be the main method used to create a cultural fusion. There will be 4 days dedicated to the culture of the participating countries. During a particular day the participants of one country will have to present their culture to the others through various creative methods - song / dance / games etc. The other participants will be involved and therefore will learn about other culture in a “hands-on” way. The day will finish with a cultural evening related to that country. In this way the participants will learn about each other’s cultures in a fun &amp; interactive way. The exchange has the following objectives: Celebrating diversity -To learn about each other in order to build a community based on common values of respect, tolerance, equality of opportunity / Raising intercultural awareness / Establishing a youth activity open for participants with fewer opportunities.</td>
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Participants will collaborate in a structured programme of work involving young people and leaders to explore the issues of home and national identity and be asked to examine the following questions: What is home? In an age of immigration – wishful and forced - and globalisation, where is home? Is it where you live now or where you come from? Is it where your parents come from? Can home be more than one place? Do you feel part of the European ‘home’? What does this mean? What are the similarities and differences between life in capital cities and villages, between Western Europe and Eastern Europe and Caucasus?

The participants will:
• Use a range of theatre-arts and other non-formal learning methods which will act as catalysts for dialogue and shared learning
• Develop a range of creative skills alongside personal and social development
• Research and discover the richness and diversity at the heart of their own cultural landscapes
• Connect with peers from another country to explore common ground and differences
• Disseminate and share their learning/experiences with the communities in which they live on return home

The Georgian youth organisation Youth for the World will host the youth exchange in Kobuleti (Georgia). Its dates are 13th until 23rd of October 2012. 32 young people and 8 group leaders from Armenia, Azerbaijan, Georgia, Germany, Hungary, Latvia, Moldova and Turkey will participate in the project.

COORDINATOR: Youth For The World

GRANT AMOUNT: 24.905,00 €
The youth exchange “Youth and Creativity in Conflict Transformation” aims to provide young people with specific competences for addressing daily life conflicts in nonviolent ways. It will introduce theories of conflict transformation, show conflict management strategies, examine conflict mapping and offer space for discussion about contemporary community and regional conflicts in Europe. A major element of the youth exchange will be the role of young people in conflict resolution and the function of grass-root initiatives lead by young people in order to foster young peoples’ active participation and sense of responsibility for the solving of community conflicts.

A variety of non-formal educational tools such as role plays, simulations, workshops, exercises and Social Theatre s as well as excursion to visit the European Union Monitoring Mission in Georgia and local NGOs will be integral part of the project.

The central outcome of the project should be “back home” events sharing the results of the project, the impression of the young people and the newly gained competences in conflict transformation with the peers of the participants in their homes.

The project will be organized for 32 young people from Armenia, Azerbaijan, Ukraine, Georgia, Germany, Estonia, Czech Republic and Italy.

The Academy for Peace and Development will coordinate and host the project in Kobuleti, Georgia, from 1-11 October 2012.

COORDINATOR: Academy for Peace and Development

GRANT AMOUNT: 24.995,00 €
TITLE: Feel, See and Taste the Diversity through Outdoors

DESCRIPTION: The project called “Feel, See and Taste the Diversity through Outdoors” is a Youth Exchange (YE) Intercultural Learning through Cooking Traditions, that will bring together four youth organisations from Georgia, Lithuania, Turkey and Moldova.

The Youth Exchange will be held in Racha, Georgia. Racha is surrounded by Caucasus mountains and it is one of the most beautiful places in western Georgia.

The project will involve a lot of themes, such as promoting better understanding of cultural diversity, ideas of solidarity, peace and tolerance between them by cooking food of different countries, dialog among young people from different countries. Most of the time groups will be internationals, so it will allow the study of intercultural learning in practice.

The Youth Exchange aim is to involve 18-25 years old young people representing youth organizations working in youth field in Lithuania, Turkey, Georgia and Moldova. They will be able to acquire useful skills, develop cooperation in frame of the Youth in Action Programme as well as learn more about the diverse cultures of Europe.

The project will gather 8 participants and 2 group leaders of each country and it will last 7 days excluding travel days.

The working methods will be varied, interactive and balanced between theory and practice, between information and application. Taking into account the diversity of the participants in terms of culture and working experience, the methods will provide for an effective group communication and will allow all participants to fulfil their expectations and need through a progressive and valuable intercultural learning experience. Group works, presentations, discussions and simulation games will be used as traditional methods.

COORDINATOR: Agency of Youth Promotion and Development Compass

GRANT AMOUNT: 19.950,00 €
Our project on Poverty Awareness Amongst our Growing Roma Youth, is a 10 day Youth Exchange hosted by our organisation in Komrat Moldova. Our partner that will participate and help us achieve our goals are from Romania, Bulgaria, Turkey, Ukraine and Belarus all of which will send 6 young people to fully participate in the entire project, so our group of 36 young people from 6 countries will tackle the long term challenge Roma youth have been facing.

The Eastern European region has undergone intensive political, economic and social transformations over the past decade. It has a shrinking and ageing Roma population with low levels of fertility, though some of the countries and sub-regions have higher levels of fertility and young Roma populations. The rapidly changing life styles of young Roma people and intensive labour migration increase the vulnerability of young Roma people to increased exclusion into local societies.

Our project is based on NON Formal education and relies heavily on the past work already done in other projects, with the T-Kits and SALTO Tool Box providing our methods and activities we will be using, like workshops, simulation activities, debates, brainstorming and presentations.

Our Objectives are:
- Increase active participation from Roma Youth.
- Increase young Roma people imaginative and creative abilities.
- Increase young Roma people’s willingness to exercise self direction and self control in the pursuit of objectives that they feel personally committed to.
- To help young Roma people to understand their own Identity.
- To help young Roma people to understand the obstacles they face, and define activates they can use to overcome the obstacles.
- To help young Roma people gain the ability of empathy and listening to others.
- To help young Roma people increase the awareness of themselves in relation to others.
- To help young Roma people trust in a non-familiar environment.
- To help young Roma people understand tolerance.

COORDINATOR: Asociatia obsesca "Initiativa Femeilor"

GRANT AMOUNT: 22.850,60 €
REFERENCE: 526252-3.1-GE-2012-R1

TITLE: Through Theatre to Common Roots

DESCRIPTION: Through Theatre to Common Roots is an international cultural exchange project taking place in Ureki, East of Georgia, where youth of Georgia, Poland, Armenia and Latvia hosted by Student-Youth Council organization meet to discuss cultural differences, regional traditions and use this knowledge for tourism development in their home countries. Through theatre and music, which express traditions and roots of particular region, but also contemporary trends the project aims to raise awareness of young people that "cultural differences" and "intercultural dialogue" are not abstract concepts but events in which they participate and benefit from and may use them to develop their local community. Using their own talents, skills and creativity together they need to find a common point between Europe and the Caucasus. Traditions of the important moments of the family life (birth, wedding, funeral etc.) exist in every culture; though the celebrations differ themselves, the need to celebrate these important moments and to share this experience with the rest of the community is something that unites showing common roots of different cultures or nations.

During 10 days 24 young people from 4 countries will work in 2 international teams: music and theatre. They will jointly prepare the scenario for the theatre play in the subject of local traditions of family life.

The multilingualism of the play is an essential point: actors will use their native language, for their better self-expression and breaking intercultural stereotypes. The play will be shown to Georgian local community of Ureki and Ozurgeti. Additionally participants will show the recorded performance back in their home countries to their local community.

Work on promotion of local customs and traditions will motivate youth for touristic promotion of their regions. Showing characteristics of the local environment done by youth will attract tourism and develop local community in wider scope.

COORDINATOR: Student-Youth Council

GRANT AMOUNT: 16.167,50 €
REFERENCE: 526931-3.1-UA-2012-R1

TITLE: movinG fOrward - let's end violence against women!

DESCRIPTION: Each year from 25 November (which is the International Day for the Elimination of Violence against Women) to 10 December is held throughout the world the International Campaign of the 16 days of Activism against gender violence.

Our project is to organize a youth exchange within the framework of this international campaign and have young people from different countries organize a series of events on the 2012 theme: "movinG fOrward - let's end violence against women!". During 7 days, in Ukraine, the young people will create collective events on this theme, which will be advertised in local mass media and will have the opportunity to attend national events specific to Ukraine. The objectives of our project are to give a transnational dimension to the international campaign in Ukraine. 25 participants from 5 countries (Ukraine, Romania, Czech Republic, Georgia and Belarus) are involved in this project. We would to continue the result of this campaign from previous years.

The youth exchange will take place in Ukraine - Odessa. The main theme of the project it is gender equality. The main aim of the youth exchange is to raise awareness of the youth about gender-based violence and to make them understand that such phenomenon happens in all countries, at all level of societies. Coming from different cultural background, they will be able to compare the situation in their respective country and challenge stereotypes they may have on this theme. This youth exchange is relevant and will foster the participation of young people into transnational activism. Besides, this youth exchange will deal with the core values of the UE, among which are gender equality, and human rights.

We will use a wide range of formal and non-formal education during this youth exchange. During group activities, we will rely on mini-lectures, debates, non-formal discussions, case studies, group and personal work. We will use video and written material as a support.

COORDINATOR: Regional Union of Youth

GRANT AMOUNT: 12.230,00 €
The youth-exchange “Ecological Culture Orientation LIFE” (“ECO LIFE”) will be organized by all-Ukrainian Association for Youth Cooperation "Alternative-V" in Mariupol, Donetsk region, Ukraine within Youth in Action program in August-September 2012. The project will last 9 days, including travel days. The involved 8 countries are Armenia, Azerbaijan, Belgium, Finland, Georgia, Latvia, Poland, Ukraine (32 participants + 8 group leaders + 2 support staff).

The main aim of the project is raising awareness about the importance of behaving more consciously to protect the environment and to ensure the sustainable development inside and beyond Europe.

Furthermore, this activity will allow participants to better and deepen their knowledge, acquire new abilities and tools for personal development and to meet and create partnerships with others who share the same objectives and goals of enlarging their field of activity in the European and Caucasian regions.

During the project there will be implemented the following methods and activities of non-formal education: getting-to-know-each-other, ice-breaking and team-building games, language course of basic phrases (Ukrainian), pedagogical games, intercultural evening, discovering the environment through outdoor activities, varied workshops, visits and activities in the local culture, presentation of Youth in Action program and Youth-pass.
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