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Description of the projects selected for funding

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ACTION 1 – YOUTH FOR EUROPE

ACTION 1.1 – YOUTH EXCHANGES

REFERENCE: 526091-1.1-UK-2012-R1

TITLE: Carnival Europe (A celebration of diversity).

DESCRIPTION:
Venue: Amsterdam, the Netherlands.

Activity type: A multilateral exchange exploring cultural diversity through carnival arts (music, dance and costume making).

The theme: The project will use intercultural activities and performance as the main tools for young people from culturally diverse backgrounds to explore issues around cultural diversity and citizenship.

Objectives for the participants will be: to explore and share skills through creative workshops, and celebrate, through collaborative performance work; to explore and celebrate the diversity of young people's histories traditions and cultures through the arts; to explore the processes used to build and present creative work that celebrates European cultural diversity and impacts on ideas of European citizenship; to improve the skills of working collectively in an intercultural environment; to develop their social, personal and group work skills; to produce an intercultural arts event presented to up to 40,000 people; to have taken part in peer led skills sharing workshops in local community contexts and professional development activities.

Duration: 7 days of programmed activity.

The countries involved: Participants from United Kingdom, the Netherlands, France, Portugal, Turkey and Greece.

The number of participants: 72 people in total (60 young people and 12 group leaders)

The implemented activities and the methods applied: The project will host a number of intercultural arts workshops delivered by professional facilitators and peer led skills sharing sessions in diverse community contexts. Through these activities the participants will create performance work presented to audiences within large-scale outdoor event. Throughout the project there will be discussions, workshops, evaluations as well as cultural visits and a social activities programme.

COORDINATOR: Brouhaha International

GRANT AMOUNT: 45,524,00 €
From the 19th to the 26th of August 2012 MIJARC Europe, as sending organisation, will coordinate a 8-days Youth exchange, taking place in Velingrad (Bulgaria) for 65 young people living in rural areas and coming from 11 different countries in Europe (Portugal, Spain, France, Belgium, Germany, Poland, Bulgaria, Hungary, Netherlands, Romania and Malta).

The main theme of the whole event is "The role of the religion in the integration of minorities."

Through non-formal education methods (working groups, icebreakers, energizers, pedagogical games, field visits, debates, brainstorming, plenary sessions with experts, sharing of knowledge and best practices, movies) and informal moments (thematic evenings), participants will be acquainted with multi ethnic and religious diversity in rural areas in Europe.

This Youth exchange "Let's Talk About Diversity!" aims to:
- analyse and exchange the realities in our communities and best practices on the topic;
- raise awareness about minorities and to break mutual stereotypes and prejudices;
- reflect on the participants' own cultural identity;
- develop awareness on concepts such as identity culture and intercultural sensitivity;
- raise awareness about differences and similarities in cultural and religious diversity in Europe;
- identify ways and to generate ideas to integrate minorities via religions;
- identify ways to overcome the mutual exclusion and to increase the involvement of the minorities in the social life in local communities and develop projects, based on an intercultural approach.

COORDINATOR: Mouvement International de la Jeunesse Agricole et Rurale

GRANT AMOUNT: 24.983,00 €
**Title:** The Inclusion Puzzle

**Description:**
‘The Inclusion Puzzle’ youth exchange will last 12 days and take place in Palermo, Italy, in September 2012. A diverse group of 54 young people (age 18-25) from Bulgaria, Croatia, Czech Republic, France, Greece, Latvia, Portugal, Romania and Italy will take part. Participants will explore their own understanding of inclusion, and be given the tools to take action in their local community as champions of inclusion. We will particularly focus on developing participants’ understanding of multiple discrimination as this is a serious but little understood issue. They will be encouraged to explore the different layers of their own identities, particularly exploring their identity as European citizens through debate and action on social issues. They will explore the themes through the creation of a short film about multiple discrimination, and an artistic exhibition of giant ‘puzzles’ representing the problems of discrimination in Europe and their vision of an inclusive future for all citizens. The participants will also spend time learning about each others’ culture, experiencing the culture of Sicily, and interacting with the local community by visiting local projects and exhibiting their work in the city. The exchange will be based on non-formal education, with a high level of participation and input from the young people through varied innovative working methods.

Project aims to:
• Develop participants’ understanding of discrimination, including multiple discrimination through non-formal learning methods.
• Encourage participants to visualise a more inclusive Europe, and take positive action at their local level, developing their understanding and experience of European citizenship.
• Foster participants’ sense of identity, as individuals, and as European citizens through intercultural learning processes.
• Celebrate the creativity of young people through the creation of art and film projects, and disseminate the results to other young people and local community.

**Coordinator:** Centro Studi ed Iniziative Europeo

**Grant Amount:** 38.502,00 €
Title: Green Joker

Description: "Green Joker" is a multilateral youth exchange, taking part in Czech Republic, where the hosting organisation is based, in the village of Kneznice and in Prague. It will gather together 30 young people from Czech Republic, Turkey, Poland, Lithuania, Netherlands and Portugal to explore the topics of sustainability- social and environmental justice issues through various art techniques and amateur art methods.

The project aims to promote active global citizenship among young people, raise their sensitivity and participation towards the issues of sustainability, global poverty and marginalization, enabling them with skills such as creativity, critical thinking and entrepreneurship. Green Joker with its content: art- culture- global challenges, and its methodology-experiential, outdoor and environmental non-formal education- will inspire and empower young people to actively and creatively participate in civil society, equipping them with tools to channel their creativity and passion for diverse forms of arts- in order to address social and environmental concerns and voice their views and opinions. The participants will take part in 6 days of art, cultural, outdoor and environmental education exchange workshops during which they will have space for exchanging their competencies and preparing social and environmental awareness raising actions and happenings to be performed in the streets of Prague and during the international festival of street theatre and new circus "Letni Letna" during the remaining 2 days of the activity. The methods applied are based on principles of non-formal education: amateur art, active participation, outdoor experiential education and experience exchange.

Coordinator: International Young Naturefriends

Grant Amount: 18.250,00 €
**REFERENCE:**  526895-1.1-IT-2012-R1

**TITLE:**  Picturing a Volunteer World - From Vision to Video

**DESCRIPTION:**  With the youth exchange "Picturing a Volunteer World - From Vision to Video" we want to gather together 40 youngsters coming from 8 programme countries in order to discuss and promote the role that media can have among young people in the matter of voluntarism and social inclusion. For 7 days, the participants will be together in Kaunas, Lithuania, to present the picture of social exclusion in their countries, defining who is excluded in their communities, how and why. The different stories of exclusion will be the inspiration for the realization of different videos, showing how the media industry can influence the mind of young people, both in a negative way (contributing in the creation of prejudices), and a positive one (promoting how volunteering can help the building of an equal society). The videos realized by different groups of youngsters will be shown in a final public projection and included in a DVD for further dissemination of results. The main methodology throughout all the exchange will be non formal education, including methods such as round tables, brainstorming, and working in groups, drawing, theatre, role-play, simulations and creative writing.

**COORDINATOR:**  Associazione TDM 2000 International

**GRANT AMOUNT:**  20.587,50 €
Title: Stage is calling ...


Coordinator: JugendStil e.V.

Grant Amount: 23.344,00 €
RE:DESIGN IT! is a 10 days long youth exchange which will be realized in Hollókő, Hungary 1-10 of May 2012, organized and hosted by Egyesek Youth Association. Participants are 30 young people from 6 countries (Spain, Cyprus, Portugal, Romania, Italy and Hungary) supported by 6 group leaders.

Themes:
- exchange methods of creative recycling
- find solutions for environmental problems with art and design
- intercultural learning through creative art

Objectives:
- to develop skills for life while working with recycled materials
- to communicate with art
- to create and recall „new” by making useful equipments what can be used in everyday life
- to draw attention to the cultural differences that arise from regional situations
- to provide information, share best practice and experience
- to improve social, personal and professional skills

The topic of the project is based on young people's needs; the main organizers are young experienced volunteers who get professional support from Egyesek YA. We consider the theme of creative recycling as a very important issue.

We use methods of non-formal education: hold workshops, work in small, big and mixed groups, share experiences, give feedback, hold midterm and final evaluation, do an intercultural evening. Activities include skills-development workshops on cultural awareness, art and design, self-assessment, improvement of key competences, sharing best practices in creative recycling and project planning, cultural presentations, outdoor activities, voluntary work. We involve participants in all project phases; they take an active role in the preparation, implementation of program parts and integrate the results into their activities in their countries during follow-up, dissemination and into new projects. The target audience is youth between 16 and 25 years of age. By the end of the program they will organize an interactive exhibition where all the techniques and ideas of creative recycling will be presented to an audience.

Coordinator: Egyesek Youth Association

Grant amount: 18.756,00 €
**ACTION 1.3 – YOUTH DEMOCRACY PROJECTS**

**REFERENCE:** 527102-1.3-DE-2012-R1

**TITLE:** (A)Roma 2014


**COORDINATOR:** JugendStil e.V.

**GRANT AMOUNT:** 48.780,87 €
The project Joint the Crew 2012: Community, Reconciliation, Empowerment, Women presented by Arcs, in cooperation with Sevota is the result of a strong partnership between the Italian and the Rwandan NGO. The project will give to two young volunteers the opportunity to work in Rwanda (district of Kigali and outskirts) for six months: from October, 1st 2012 to April, 1st 2013.

Joint the Crew aims to support the Rwandan NGO in its local activities for promoting: community's development and reconciliation through youth and women's empowerment. Volunteers will work with Sevota members on projects addressed to specific target groups: orphans, children, youths committed in associative field, widows, single women head of family and victims of sexual assaults. After genocide, Rwandan community, through the action of Sevota, has worked with and towards those vulnerable collectives at risk of discrimination and marginalisation because of their social/economic position. By cooperating with the NGO, volunteers will:

- know better Rwandan culture and people;
- be involved in activities in order to increase the participation of the people (especially youths) in the civic life of the community and be responsible for communitarian welfare;
- assist to projects' planning for urban/rural development (income-generating activities);
- promote social inclusion and inclusive growth.

Volunteers will cooperate in:
- recreational/informative activities for children, women and youths;
- meetings planning (local institutions and associative youth net, HO's partners)
- planning and implementing the income-generating projects of the women's and youth's groups;
- evaluating projects and results

They will contribute concretely, by using non-formal/creative tools, to Sevota's mission for achieving community's reconciliation through peaceful resolution of conflicts and fighting any kind of violence or prejudice.
**REFERENCE:** 526167-2-BE-2012-R1

**TITLE:** Youth 4 Change

**DESCRIPTION:** L’objectif de ce projet bilatéral SVE est de renforcer la mobilité des jeunes belges et leur participation active au sein d’un projet auprès des jeunes philippins en grande difficulté. Le projet de volontariat portera sur une durée d’un an. Life Project 4 Youth a pour mission d’insérer des jeunes philippins, en situation de très grande exclusion, dans la vie sociale et professionnelle afin qu’ils puissent construire leur Projet de Vie et devenir à leur tour acteurs du développement de leur pays.

L’association a développé 5 entités différentes aux Philippines et l’objectif est d’accueillir un volontaire belge dans chacun des centres. Le volontaire SVE belge sera immergé au sein d’une communauté locale et sera impliqué au sein d’un projet où d’apprenant il deviendra moteur! La dimension interculturelle et d’échange entre les différents acteurs (communauté locale, volontaire, staff et jeunes philippins) est essentielle dans ce projet! La devise de LP4Y étant « I can’t but together we can! », c’est à dire, la force de l’engagement de l’équipe pour pouvoir aller de l’avant et la valorisation de la prise d’initiative.

**COORDINATOR:** AFS Programmes Interculturels asbl

**GRANT AMOUNT:** 40.233,00 €
Reference: 526177-2-HU-2012-R1

Title: Back to the Roots

Description: Approaching to the Millennium Development Goals, three Hungarian volunteers would go to Mexico for three different placements, pursuing the same goals. Two volunteers would accomplish an eleven-month service time period, and one volunteer would go for a six-month activity time. One of the former volunteers (11 month service time) would be a help hand at the Otomí community in San Mateo Capulhuac, by empowering the local inhabitants through training and productive projects such as organic agriculture, self-employment and the promotion of respect for the environment. The volunteer would support the inclusion of the indigenous Otomí community into the social dynamics of San Mateo Calpulhuac so they can participate in the decision making process concerned with sustainable use of natural resources in their own community. The other volunteer (11 months) would go to Querétaro, where she would assist the work with disadvantageous rural and indigenous people in such way that she would take care of adult learners’ children why they are trained. Apart from this, she could also help the youngsters’ education by organizing workshops. El Puente, the local organization gives support to different sectors of the population; there are different workshops such as: nursing, carpentry and houses maintenance, youngsters that have already left an orphanage. The third volunteer (6 month) is supposed to help in the Botanic Garden, support the project when they receive group of children and explain them things about environment, flowers, herbs, etc. (location: San Andrés Cholula, Puebla). This volunteer expected to encourage the visitors to create living spaces in their homes, work places and schools for the sake of a sustainable future and human-ecology. The Ethno Botanical Garden’s mission is to share the knowledge about the importance of environment and different types of plants. Here, the community is learning and experiencing through contact with the natural environment.

Coordinator: KIKÓTÓ KULTURÁLIS ÉS SZOCIÁLIS EGYESÜLET

Grant Amount: 21,065,00 €
REFERENCE: 526239-2-PT-2012-R1

TITLE: Citizenship

DESCRIPTION: The partnership is based on common interest and objectives so themes will focus on citizenship, youth participation and intercultural dialogue, aiming to share documentation and create tools for information and autonomy of youngsters we work with, trying constantly to motivate them to help their self esteem grow and be active citizens in their communities. Volunteers have an important role in actions we promote: they are the living witness of a good practice and they have the possibility to exchange each other (volunteers and local youngsters) culture and ideas.
Areas and contexts where volunteers will be included: Communication and multimedia in order to improve dissemination of projects and activities of the organizations, Animation with children and youngsters, participation in Youth Exchanges and Meetings, Organization of art events and Cooperation in training courses and projects for youngsters to be able to bring back to their own communities the experience they had.
Countries involved: Portugal (2 partners), Italy, France (2 partners), Serbia and Poland.
The long term projects preview 6 months of service: the long lasting project aim to guarantee a good integration and the continuity in the work and the strong cooperation with the colleagues.
The short term preview 2 months of service: in those we intend to include youngsters with less opportunities in particular youngsters that dropped out school soon and with social disadvantage, in order to offer a multicultural and integrative experience where their artistic/creative skills are valorised through the exchange with other youngsters.

COORDINATOR: Associação Mais Cidadania

GRANT AMOUNT: 88.125,00 €
Title: Raising Awareness about environmental Conservation through Educational outreach on loggerhead sea turtles

Description: The Katelios Group, a private organisation located on the island Kefalonia in Greece, aims to promote conservation practices amongst the local communities of the island through environmental education and the promotion of planned and sustainable development. We plan to host one volunteer coming from a partner country (USA). The volunteer will spend twelve months with the Katelios Group to help educate the local community on the importance of conservation of the local environment and the importance of the endangered Loggerhead sea turtle. They will actively participate in raising environmental awareness, bringing in their own ideas and perspectives from their experiences and merging them with local ideas. They will interact with locals and visitors in the area of Katelios, develop information to distribute at beach nesting sites and at the Katelios Group's Environmental Info Centre, and will educate the public about the importance of conserving nature. The volunteer will live in close contact with the local community, among other young people from the local village and with other volunteers coming from all countries of Europe and the rest of the world. This volunteer will be monitored by experienced staff in all activities, and supported by a mentor who is a previous EVS volunteer.

Coordinator: Katelios Group for the research and protection

Grant amount: 9,270,00 €
**REFERENCE:** 526373-2-HU-2012-R1

**TITLE:** The Key of Sustainability-Community cooperation (Example of an Ecovillage)

**DESCRIPTION:** The Key of Sustainability-Community cooperation (example of an ecovillage) is an individual EVS, 12-months long project with the goal to learn about sustainable lifestyle and methodologies. The volunteer will work in the ecovillage Ecoaldea El Romero which is part of an ecovillage network in Chile and is situated in the North of Chile, in the 4th region, La Serena, Valle de Elqui. She will help to work in different areas and projects such as learning about and helping in various techniques of sustainable construction forms, special gardening which will contribute to the development of the local area and the community's infrastructure designing all by permaculture principles. Also contributing to educators who teach youngsters, adults and other educators about environment friendly practices and methodologies in education of a non formal way. The volunteer can also support this by teaching language (English) to the children. Another main part of the voluntary work is to participate in great collaborations with other partner organisations and communities of the network (Red de EcoChile-Network of ecovillages in Chile) which will give the volunteer the chance to see differences between ecovillages and be part of successful cooperations. This will bring the opportunity for the volunteer to participate in 'Permasur' which is an international forum of projects, networks with similar interest and motivations not only from Chile but from other parts of the South, like Argentina. This can foster a deeper understanding of a more international and global collaboration of ecovillages that can help later the volunteer to incorporate both in Hungary and in Europe, not to mention that mutually she can promote European citizenship, values and YiA programs. After the service the voluntary can return home with a greater knowledge and developed competences that she can share with the local communities and also in wider areas.

**COORDINATOR:** Útitapu Nemzetközi Építőtábor Hálózat

**GRANT AMOUNT:** 8.260,00 €
The project "Coltivando l'integrazione" is done by two EVS group activities, realized in cooperation with 2 hosting partner in China and Tanzania and a sending partner in Spain. The project will permit at 10 volunteer from Italy and Spain to live the evs experience outside Europe.

The principle objective of the project is to promote the active citizenship, the participation and the voluntarism of the young volunteers and to fight against discrimination and social exclusion.

The main topic in both projects is to combat social exclusion of different targets (disabled people in China albinos people in Tanzania) and at the same time give to the volunteers the possibility to live this experience in others continents that are facing different situations; a situation of big and fast development but still dealing with a very strong poverty for a big part of the population in China and a situation of very slow development but with interesting possibilities of different way of development in Tanzania. It will be a great possibility to understand the situation there. It will help the participants to understand better also the reason that force people from that area to move in Europe searching for work, and change their attitude toward immigrants in Italy.

The implemented activities are the following:

1. An EVS group with 6 volunteers from Italy for a period 2 months in Tanzania, which will do their project in the activities run by Mawaki, especially connected with prevention of discrimination of albinos people and women in extreme poverty situation trough empowerment and vocational training.

2. An EVS group activities with 4 volunteers (2 from Italy and 2 from Spain) for a period of 9 months in China. In this project the volunteers will run activities with people with disabilities in different centres of Huling association. They will be especially involved in the activities for children, in artistic activities (dance ability, theatre ecc) and in the therapeutic farm.

COORDINATOR: Xena, centro scambi e dinamiche interculturali

GRANT AMOUNT: 41,340,00 €
REFERENCE: 526437-2-DE-2012-R1

TITLE: Youth and Intergenerational Solidarity

DESCRIPTION: This multilateral EVS project "Youth and Intergenerational Solidarity" takes up the motto of the 2012 European Year of Active Ageing and Solidarity between Generations by promoting intergenerational support and solidarity. Ageing populations present considerable challenges to existing infrastructure, welfare, health and pension financing, which in turn put a strain on relationships between generations. The existence of conflicts of views, interests and lifestyles between generations is well-know; the elder is oftentimes considered a burden and suffers loneliness and exclusion. Simultaneously, age coupled with aspects like social class, gender, disabilities, etc. compounds the problems of the elderly, creating an environment of inequality within which they -sometimes barely- survive. Enhancing the quality of life of the older generation implies working towards a holistic society that is just and equal, and sustainable across board for all generations.

This reciprocal 9-month volunteer project will enable 9 young people from European countries - UK, Denmark, Sweden, Finland, Germany, Austria, Iceland, Switzerland and Spain, 7 from other partner countries - Russia, Colombia, Honduras, Mexico, India, Indonesia and South Africa, with preference to disadvantaged and unemployed youth, to participate in intergenerational projects or those primarily addressing elders from disadvantaged backgrounds on four continents. Accordingly, projects include an intergenerational community development centre (UK), homes for disabled adults and elders (Austria, Spain), homes for elders (Italy, Iceland, India, Honduras, Indonesia, Kenya), homes for disabled elders (Poland, South Africa), veteran's hospital (Russia), and support centres for the elderly (Mexico, Colombia, Morocco).

The volunteers in this project will be the bridges between generations - raising awareness, stimulating debate, fighting exclusion and having a real impact on the lives of people.

COORDINATOR: International Cultural Youth Exchange, International Office

GRANT AMOUNT: 121.915,00 €
**REFERENCE:** 526462-2-FI-2012-R1

**TITLE:** EU - China -project: Empowering Young People For a Sustainable Future

**DESCRIPTION:** The EU - China -project: Empowering Young People for a Sustainable Future aims to send one volunteer from Finland to China to Jane Goodall Institute China, an organization based in Beijing, China. The main themes are environmental education and youth information. The objectives are supporting and adding value to the Eco English environmental education project in China; supporting a sustainable lifestyle both in Finnish and Chinese societies through educating young people; promoting intercultural dialogue and strengthening mutual understanding and friendship between European and Chinese youth; sharing best practices in environmental education and civil society issues; presenting the principles of non-formal learning and the idea of the Youthpass certificate to youth and developing sustainable cooperation between The Finnish Nature League and Jane Goodall Institute China.

The volunteer will take part in a school project Eco English where volunteers go to Chinese primary and middle schools to educate young people in environmental issues. The volunteer will support the ongoing cooperation between the sending and host organizations by facilitating cultural exchange, involvement of volunteers and the exchange of best practices. The duration of the Service is twelve months.

**COORDINATOR:** The Finnish Nature League (Luonto-Liitto ry)

**GRANT AMOUNT:** 7.920,00 €
A fresh smile for a young spirit” is a EVS project coordinated by InCO, where international volunteers will have the opportunity to participate in the activities of Civica, a public body dealing with assistance and social services mainly for elderly based in Trento, in Italy's North East. The 2 volunteers will come from Russian Federation (European Voluntary Agency of the German-Russian Exchange) and from Uruguay (AUDELE) and they will be engaged in a long term volunteer exchange for 12 months. The volunteers will be involved in social and recreational activities (such as painting, gardening, table games, music sessions, movies ...) offered to marginalized elderly living in special houses and sheltered accommodations, having also the opportunity to develop their ideas and share their cultural backgrounds. International young volunteers will freshen up the daily routines of the guests, bringing their energy, creativity and enthusiasm. Furthermore they will have the chance to engage in an otherwise often difficult intergenerational dialogue and enhance inclusion processes for those elderly who have limited relational contacts or no family left to take care of them. The project will also foster intercultural dialogue for those guests who never travelled abroad or had very limited contact with foreigners in their life.

COORDINATOR: Associazione Interculturalità & Comunicazione

GRANT AMOUNT: 19.970,00 €
**TITLE:** Voluntários Europeus Cooperam em África

**DESCRIPTION:** Project VECA - European Volunteers Cooperate in Africa, is linked to UN Millennium Development Goals. Firstly, regarding the eradication of extreme poverty and hunger. It assures all supported children have at least one meal per day. As for the achievement of universal primary education, the organization makes sure all children living in the same household, without exception, are enrolled in school. Thirdly, the project addresses gender disparities by giving priority to girls attending school. It contributes towards the human development of Mozambican underprivileged children, aged 2 to 18 years old, by mobilizing Portuguese citizens to financially contribute towards children's survival needs - such as education, food and health - on a monthly basis. In return, donors receive regular information about the child: specific family background information, photos, videos, drawings, reports on what the donated money is being spent on, etc), but can also exchange letters with the child, thus fostering mutual understanding between the Portuguese and Mozambican cultures.

The VECA project will bring new dimensions to the work our NGO does, not only so that contributors/donors have access to more precise information regarding the impact of their support in children's lives and development, but also to empower those living in extreme poverty. Volunteers will thus gather data that will allow them to evaluate the type and magnitude of poverty in each family; will improve the use of nutritional data; will foster the partnership between households and cooperatives, so that the former may develop their own small businesses; and will launch a manual that establishes the criteria for beneficiaries' selection. To achieve these goals, Volunteers will collect the Multidimensional Poverty Index (MPI) from the United Nations Development Programme and analyse indicators on education, health and life conditions of supported families.

**COORDINATOR:** ataca - Associação de Tutores e Amigos da Criança Africana

**GRANT AMOUNT:** 14.625,00 €
REFERENCE: 526553-2-RO-2012-R1

TITLE: My Pet

DESCRIPTION: The project consists in hosting 20 young Volunteers in 2 Organizations from Arad / Romania, of which all young people with fewer opportunities (economy difficulties), to volunteer for 12 months (starting with 1st of October 2012), along with other 20 volunteers of local Romania. Objectives: 1) promoting adoptions of pets abandoned and good treatment of them as tools for development of entrepreneurial skills, volunteering and non-formal education, 2) personal development / of volunteers with intercultural experience, 3) develop solidarity and mutual understanding between young people. The team of the project is "animal welfare". Volunteers will develop activities in the animal shelter in Arad and a Club called as "MyPet" inside the County Volunteer Centre, also the volunteers will develop a magazine, manage an electronic platform and make public campaigns to promote good treatment of animals. Methods used: creative workshops, exhibitions, photo, video journalism, etc.

COORDINATOR: Ofensiva Tinerilor

GRANT AMOUNT: 154,535,00 €
Ce projet a pour but de développer et valoriser le parcours des jeunes en recherche d'emploi ou d'orientation professionnelle issus de quartiers urbains ou ruraux en difficulté afin que leur SVE soit un tremplin pour leur avenir.

L'objectif est d'accompagner 26 volontaires dont 6 long termes et 20 court termes pour leur projet SVE, de favoriser l'inclusion sociale des jeunes ayant moins d'opportunité, de leur permettre de s'engager comme citoyen et de trouver leur place dans la société européenne.

Eurocircle avec la coopération de 9 partenaires situés dans les pays suivants : Allemagne, France, Géorgie, Italie, Portugal et Suède proposent ainsi aux jeunes des projets sur des missions diverses liées à l'environnement et à l'éducation par le sport. Les méthodes d'éducation non formelle et de participation active des jeunes seront privilégiées dans un esprit de solidarité, de tolérance, de dialogue interculturel.

Nous avons comme priorité transversale sur le dossier la lutte contre l'exclusion, l'engagement pour une croissance plus inclusive au travers des défis mondiaux liés à l'environnement que nous désirons impliqués sur toutes les phases de ce projet tant avec les structures qu'avec les volontaires et l'impact pour les communautés locales.

COORDINATOR: Eurocircle

GRANT AMOUNT: 75.550,00 €
The "Solid-Air 2: Youth on Board" project intends to promote global citizenship among young people through the implementation of European Voluntary Service (EVS) activities in Venezuela (Merida), Benin (Ouidah e Ajoboun) and Italy (Padova, Turin).

The project involves 4 partners (2 from Italy, 1 from Venezuela, 1 from Benin) and 3 actions for 20 volunteers in all:

1. An EVS for 6 young people (2 at a time), 4 from CISV and 2 from Xena, to Fe y Alegria (Merida, Venezuela) for six month for the implementation of educational and recreational activities with the involvement of minors from disadvantaged neighbourhoods.
2. 12 volunteers from CISV (4 at a time) will go to Benin to the host organization Action Plus for six months, to cooperate in agriculture, food and social services
3. Two individual EVS from Fe y Alegria will go to XENA for six months for the implementation of intercultural activities with minors.

Main topics of the project are fight against discrimination and urban and rural development. The project foresee in Benin activities that involve the direct inclusion of disadvantaged people in training cycle, the organization of reflections among young Beninese and volunteers, and the reinforcement of civil society organizations already active in the process of anti-discrimination. In Venezuela, the animation of educational spaces that promote the inclusion of children from disadvantaged families in problematic contexts. In Italy, actions carried out with young foreigners to facilitate their integration in the local context.

**COORDINATOR:** Comunità Impegno Servizio Volontariato

**GRANT AMOUNT:** 101,540,00 €
TITLE: Me too! A worldwide EVS project for a more inclusive society.

DESCRIPTION: “Me too, a worldwide EVS project for a more inclusive society” is a group/individual long-term multilateral project promoting and supporting organizations’ activities that aim at fighting social exclusion and marginalisation and which believe that through international volunteering new learning spaces for personal, professional and social development can be created. Partners are based in the EU (Italy, Spain, Germany, Lithuania), in SEE (Republic of Macedonia), in EECA (Armenia and Georgia), in Asia (India, Indonesia), in Latin America (Bolivia and Ecuador) and in Africa (Ghana, Kenya). 28 volunteers coming from these countries will have the opportunity to be involved in international activities addressed to different target groups: refugees, homeless, orphans, youngsters coming from rural areas, the elderly and disabled people.

We expect to increase the numbers of qualitative EVS experiences on a worldwide context, which can have a stronger impact on volunteers and local communities and which can arise awareness of solidarity, intercultural learning and more over of social inclusion among those involved.

The project intends to give priority to unemployed volunteers and those with fewer opportunities; it mainly includes also hosting organizations particularly interested in developing volunteers’ initiatives and inter generational dialogue, using formal and no-formal educational methods.

The activities are planned to start on 1.10.2012 and they will last 9 months, including a 3 months based monitoring phase for identifying the impact that each activity has on local and individual levels, follow-up best practices will be shared among partners in order to implement constructively the project and valuing its results.

“Me too” EVS project wants to encourage the work and the ideas of those who want to contribute to the construction of a more sustainable, inclusive society, where people feel recognized and where all have a voice.

COORDINATOR: Associazione per la formazione, gli scambi e le attività interculturali A. F. S. A. I.

GRANT AMOUNT: 191.815,00 €
Title: Global Coalition for Youth Action

Description: Global Coalition for Youth Action is an EVS project which intersects European Member States with Other Partner Countries of the World towards the common goal of Youth and Community Development. Within the frameworks of intercultural communication, collaborative learning, and active civic engagement, two European youth – one from the east (Romania) and one from the west (Spain) – will join a volunteer from overseas (United States) to develop innovative youth programmes ranging from local to international in scope, merging ideologies across continental and cultural lines.

Youth volunteers will work alongside our eclectic team of staff and volunteers at Code-X International to create an infrastructure of information- and skill-oriented youth actions within the context of modern globalization. Working together over the course of 6 to 12 months, this Coalition will adopt a fresh, grass-roots approach to youth development cooperation and youth information, emphasizing non-formal education, active communication, and interactive learning methodologies.

Volunteers will also be encouraged to become involved in any projects or initiatives of our organization which appeal to them, including for instance SVP (‘Senior Volunteer Programme’, senior-oriented programmes for 2012 incorporating themes like active aging and intergenerational cooperation), marketing, fund-raising, networking, and project development. Their integration into the Dutch community will be facilitated by intercultural activities and group Dutch lessons.

Coordinator: Code-X International

Grant Amount: 24,849,00 €
“Youth for Youth in DR Congo” is a group EVS project that takes place in Kinshasa, DR Congo. Altogether ten volunteers from Hungary will carry out a two times five-month service to complete one school year in Othniel Primary and Secondary School and La Providence Orphanage. In the two service periods each, five volunteers will carry out the activities.

In the FIRST service group there will be two volunteers in Social Helpers at orphanage: working with the orphans for extra curricula activities and special care and one volunteer in tutoring of English language, one young person volunteering in awareness-raising on environmental issues, and one in volunteering in promoting sport and healthy lifestyle.

In the SECOND service group there will be two volunteers in Social Helpers at orphanage: working with the orphans for extra curricula activities and special care and one volunteer in tutoring of English language, one Volunteer in global and democracy education and one in Volunteer in youth development and employability.

Inclusion of young people with fewer opportunities is a core principle in this EVS project, and as a humanitarian organization our core mission to target the most vulnerable. We foresee that one to three of volunteers with fewer opportunities will be of Roma origin.

Similarly to our successful previous EVS project methods in this project will be arts, creativity, non-formal/informal education as well as knowledge transfer in order to empower the children and the youngsters with important life-skills for an independent adult life. The project fosters mutual learning and understanding of the cultural and social realities of both the volunteers and the African children.

**COORDINATOR:** Foundation for Africa (HU)

**GRANT AMOUNT:** 69.800,00 €
REFERENCE: 526778-2-HU-2012-R1

TITLE:  CHANCE for a better living in rural areas 2.

DESCRIPTION: Chance 2. is the continuation of a previous project involving almost the same partners, and also volunteers. The concept behind this project idea is to give the chance for those disadvantaged volunteers to go on with their learning experience and to be the model of the positive effects of EVS. There are 3 partners involved, 1 sending and coordinating and 1 host organisation from Hungary, and 1 sending and hosting organisation in Tanzania. The activities in Hungary would focus on youth work and voluntary work in favour of the local community (in a newly opening youth centre and end points of a network of youth organisation in the city of Pécs), and similar activities in Tanga, Tanzania (with special focus on awareness raising in health issues, extracurricular activities, arts). Besides the daily work of the volunteers, we would like to keep the activity that we already started in the 1st project; we would like to extend our community garden project, and also realise it in local schools, and by this we would like to promote self-sufficiency in food production and ecological gardening. 3-3 hosting activities would be realised - 2-2 for 11 months, where those disadvantaged young volunteers would take part who already participated in Chance 1, and 1-1 services of 12 months for newly selected volunteers. Very important aspect in our 'Chance projects' is the reciprocity, and equality in the partnership which principle we will keep during this project as well.

COORDINATOR:  Területfejlesztők a Vidékért Egyesület

GRANT AMOUNT:  50.512,00 €
**REFERENCE:** 526790-2-ES-2012-R1

**TITLE:** Planting Seeds of Education Through Volunteering

**DESCRIPTION:** The EVS project “Planting Seeds of Education Through Volunteering” will involve European and Latin-American organizations with the aim of promoting the personal growth of youth through the intercultural exchange and mainly through the development of voluntary activities, using non formal education as a tool for reaching our goals. Basing us in the Youth in Action program Annual Priorities for 2012 (and national necessities of the countries involved) this project is mainly targeted at young people suffering the consequences of unemployment and aimed to offer them the possibility of improving their skills (social, linguistic, professional…) so they improve their chances of overcoming this situation. Due to the profile of the organizations involved, the EVS project “Planting Seeds of Education Through Volunteering” fights for the increase of young people’s awareness and social answers to some of the world’s main problems now a days, such as poverty and marginalization, through the direct interaction and support of people suffering this issues. The partner organizations involved deal mainly with youth and population at risk of exclusion and promote education as a way to reach a state of equal opportunities, the recognition of cultural identity, the construction of democratic life forms, transforming situations of exclusion into social inclusion.

**COORDINATOR:** Asociación para la Formación y Actividades Interculturales par

**GRANT AMOUNT:** 91.180,00 €
**REFERENCE:** 526831-2-BE-2012-R1

**TITLE:** Life and overcoming VIEWS in adapted EVS for VIP

**DESCRIPTION:** Ce projet SVE inclut 3 projets de volontariat de 9 mois chacun (2 projets du 1/10/2012-30/06/13 et un projet du 1/10/2013 au 30/06/14) à Liège, en Belgique, sur le thème de l’intégration sociale des jeunes et plus particulièrement de minorités en milieu local et international. Ces projets SVE seront réalisés par 3 volontaires aveugles (2 filles et 1 garçon) provenant de Finlande, Pologne et Grèce. Ce projet sera coordonné et mis en place par l’organisation VIEWS International, spécialisée en activités jeunesse pour et par les jeunes avec une déficience visuelle. Les objectifs seront : une meilleure insertion des populations d’origine étrangère, une meilleure coordination des intervenants du quartier (Coordination Socio-Culturelle de Sainte Marguerite/l’Orchidée Rose) et de montrer aux jeunes que la déficience visuelle n’empêche pas d’être autonome, de vivre des expériences à l’étranger, de travailler (à l’IRHOV). Les activités développés à la Coordination Socio-Culturelle de Sainte Marguerite/l’Orchidée Rose seront : aide à la communication entre les associations du quartier (rédaction du journal, organisation et animation des réunions et prise de notes), l’aide à l’organisation d’activités communes sportives et culturelles, aux associations du quartier et participation aux activités et l’aide aux animations linguistiques en français à l’Orchidée Rose à travers la participation à des ateliers (visites, animations culturelless). A l’IRHOV, les volontaires travailleront à l’animation d’activités avec les enfants en dehors des heures de cours : sports, informatique, jeux adaptés, cuisine, chants, danses,… et offriront de l’aide à la coordination de réunions et activités avec les parents : soupers, informations, … La méthodologie relève de l’éducation non formelle: l’apprentissage par la pratique et avec des pairs, le travail dans des petits groupes/individuel.

**COORDINATOR:** Visually Impaired Education and Work Support International

**GRANT AMOUNT:** 36.730,00 €
The Unity in Diversity project represents the context for the manifestation of solidarity and active citizenship for 10 young volunteers coming from 7 countries on 2 continents. The project will offer a non-formal and informal learning platform for the volunteers, the coordinators and for the other participants to this project. The implementation location of the project will be the city and county of Arad.

Project Objectives:
1. Raising the level of social integration of people from disadvantaged backgrounds in the Arad county through non-formal activities carried out by 10 EVS volunteers during a timeframe of 10 months.
2. Developing a positive and tolerant attitude of the youngsters towards people with low opportunities or coming from different cultural or geographical backgrounds.

According to the make-up of this partnership, the objectives and activities that are put together to be accomplished, this project develop solidarity, active citizenship and it promotes toleration among the youth; it also stimulates mutual understanding among young people from various countries. We also have a consistent inclusion component achieved by involving volunteers with fewer opportunities.

The methodology of the project will be carried out in the sense of promoting the dimension of active involvement and participation to the community’s life through volunteering and social responsibility. The results of the project target promoting toleration, active citizenship, cultural diversity and respect for that which is different. The partnership with the Ghana organization is meant to contribute to the promoting of the Millenium Development Goals.

COORDINATOR: Fundatia Pro Prietenia Arad

GRANT AMOUNT: 69.380,00 €
REFERENCE: 526863-2-RO- -2012-R1

TITLE: Roots of Education 4 Sustainable Development

DESCRIPTION: RE'd4SD is the initiative of MC whose aim is to offer links between different roots of education in order to assure sustainable development of the local hosting communities. The project will offer the possibility of youngsters to engage in different forms of non-formal activities in the field of: health issues, cultural and social development as well as personal and professional development. The themes addressed will be: youth participation and involvement in the field of sustainable development of disadvantaged communities by engaging their representatives in actions of prevention and information relating to health education, acquirement of life abilities and competencies, both for personal and professional development as well as intercultural awareness and sharing, knowledge of participating countries. The objectives of the project are: A. Raising awareness among youngsters from the hosting community in connection with health issues; B. Support the employability processes of youngsters from the local hosting community on the labour market; C. Engage in activities for assuring the prevision and/or diminish of social marginalization, poverty supporting sustainable development in developing countries in connection with EU efforts. These will be achieved by the implementation of: a. public presentations, workshops, games and different activities in connection with health problematic issues in the area (HIV/AIDS prevention, first-aid activities, personal hygiene, nutrition, sexual/reproductive health etc.); b. Developing IT, language, active participation courses (basic PC operating, usage of internet, communication); c. Implementation of different non-formal activities (workshops on dance, theatre, public speaking/debate, outdoor/sportive activities, social/cultural events/actions, creative activities etc.) The methods used will be non-formal. 18 EVS volunteers from RO will take part in voluntary stages in Kampala, Jinja and Kabale during a period of 2 months each.

COORDINATOR: Millennium Center Association

GRANT AMOUNT: 61.560,00 €
REFERENCE: 526922-2-IT-2012-R1

TITLE: EVS: Let’s do it!

DESCRIPTION: “EVS: Let’s do it” is a sending group EVS project and has as main objective to fight against youth unemployment and social exclusion through volunteering, making it clear to the institutions its importance for the society and so the need of sustaining the volunteering activities.

We want meanwhile to promote EVS in Sicily, where there is a lack of EVS accredited organizations against an ever-increasing demand, thus bringing to Sicily a wind of Europe.

The project promotes tolerance and respect for other cultures: the volunteers will have the opportunity to travel through other cultures and thanks that they will have the weapons to fight prejudices, often result of misinformation and ignorance, spreading everywhere what they have learned, i.e. the respect for every culture in its diversity.

The project also aims to break down prejudices even in the opposite direction: too often Sicily and Sicilians are combined with “Mafia” and crime, especially abroad. Well, thanks to the volunteers of our area who will live daily with people of other cultures, integrating with them, we will spread out the idea that not all Sicilians are “mafiosi”, that Mafia exists, unfortunately, but we are the first ones to fight it.

For these purposes, the project will place 30 young Italians aged between 18 and 30 years and mostly from Sicily in volunteering activities in 10 different hosting organizations from different European countries: Estonia, France, Greece, Malta, Romania, Spain, Turkey, Croatia, Iceland, and Portugal.

The selected volunteers will be placed for 6 months in the host organizations, contributing to their activities.

Main themes of the project can be considered:
- Youth policies;
- Media and communications/Youth information;
- Health;
- Education through sport and outdoor activities;

Indeed, the hosting organizations deal with activities confined mainly in these areas, so that volunteers will be actively involved with those themes, giving their concrete support.

COORDINATOR: Associazione Culturale Strauss

GRANT AMOUNT: 132.891,00 €
Le projet "Volontariat: Apprentissage et Engagement" se situe dans la continuité de précédents projets S.V.E, ainsi que dans le cadre d'un travail de fond mené depuis plusieurs années par l'ADICE autour de la place de la mobilité dans le parcours de jeunes aux situations diverses et de l'impact de notre action sur l'employabilité des jeunes accompagnés.

Ce projet vise soutenir les parcours individuel de volontariat européen de jeunes issus de quartiers difficiles et dont le S.V.E est un gage d'acquisition de compétences. Ce projet vise à offrir à des jeunes ayant déjà réalisé un volontariat court-terme un projet long-terme construit autour:
- de thématiques liées aux projets courts termes déjà déposés.
- de projets long-termes sur des durées accessibles à des jeunes rencontrant des obstacles à la mobilité
- d'activités axées sur le développement de compétences à réinvestir dans des projets d'insertion professionnelle

Une méthodologie adaptée dans l'identification du projet, la préparation des jeunes et l'évaluation de cette deuxième mobilité.

Des outils (logiciel informatique) permettant de placer la mobilité dans un parcours, tout en rationalisant le temps de travail administratif afin d'aider le personnel de l'ADICE à consacrer plus de temps à développer les pratiques pédagogiques en direction des jeunes bénéficiaires.

Des partenariats de longue date, avec des structures à travers le monde impliqués dans cette démarche.

Le projet comprend 23 SVE long-termes et 7 court-termes dont le caractère principal consiste à utiliser le volontariat comme moyen d'apprentissage et d'acquisition de compétences définies par l'ADICE est ses partenaires, dans la perspective d'améliorer l'employabilité de jeunes ayant déjà effectué un projet court-terme.
Title: Play for Real

Description: In the new edition of Egyesek Youth Association's long-term EVS project we continue the programme what we are already developing for 4 years. The volunteers will come from 6 different countries (FR, GE, IT, ES, MX, UA) and maintain the activity in KEKSz programme which we have created 12 years ago in order to provide non-formal learning opportunities to youth in their leisure time. This programme is already acclaimed in several international and national awards and it is a role-model in Hungary. Until 2011 we were cooperating with Karinthy Frigyes High School and in our last EVS project we extended our reach to Berzsenyi Dániel High School and Forrai Magániskola. The EVSers will be here for 12 months and organize voluntary actions, deliver information about possibilities in the EU, create media and recycling workshops, support local communities in realizing their own initiatives cooperate with schools in their needs, promote trainings, exchanges, camps among local youth. These activities will be carried out always on voluntary basis and they are very appreciated by the leadership of the schools and the local communities. They also have possibility to join to Egyesek's staff by supporting those realizing projects. We always give space to the volunteers to implement their own ideas in order to reach more youngsters. They will work on the field which creates the chance for them to learn about different aspects of realities in Hungary. They will be involved activities in SOFI which is a school for less opportunity children and youth, work in a high school which is in a periphery of Budapest; they will have the chance to do outreach youth work and rural development in the countryside. Their presence always brings intercultural context to the activities which is a unique learning opportunities to everyone in order to widen their way of thinking and have better understanding on each other’s culture.

Coordinator: Egyesek Ifjúsági Egyesület

Grant Amount: 52.950,00 €
REFERENCE: 526999-2-BE-2012-R1

TITLE: Your Europe, Your Opportunities!

DESCRIPTION: YEYO is an EVS project with 2 volunteers with activities lasting 12 months. The project will take place at ECAS – Brussels-based European NGO but will have a Europe-wide outreach, as it will focus on innovative projects, such as the European Civil Society House, a virtual and physical house, bridging the gap between the EU Institutions and the citizens, promoting the use of the European Citizens' Initiatives, civil society development in the Western Balkans, Eastern Europe and Turkey, and on ECAS communication activities. The volunteers will be involved in and trained on the whole range of activities run by ECAS: writing articles for the newsletter, editing websites, applying the Web tools (blogs, forums, wikis, the ECSH Ning profile), organizing conferences and events, finding and contacting partners, etc. The main theme of the project is European Youth Perspectives on European Citizenship, Communicating Europe and Professional Development Opportunities for Youth, complemented by ECAS “core” themes: European active citizenship, youth policies and opportunities in Europe for young people, participatory democracy, European communication policy, civil society development, e-democracy, etc. The first volunteer will mainly assist in the communication activities carried out by ECAS in the scope of the ECSH project, including helping with the creation of a new website and maintaining the current one, assisting in developing the youth sections of the website, in moderation of ECAS’ social networking profiles. The second volunteer will be involved in information and capacity building activities in the representation office in Brussels of the NFCSD/IMPACT Centre by helping to keep the communication with the partners in Western Balkans, preparing promotional materials for this project, coordinating an internship program targeting the Croatian CSO Representatives and other activities aimed at preparing the civil society in Croatia to join the EU.

COORDINATOR: European Citizen Action Service

GRANT AMOUNT: 17.373,00 €
**REFERENCE:** 527025-2-NL-2012-R1

**TITLE:** Grassroots Volunteering Against Racism

**DESCRIPTION:** This project is based on the idea to empower and educate young people in the field of youth- and anti-discrimination work in order to promote young people’s active citizenship in Europe, their involvement in Non-Governmental Organisations (NGO) and hence develop the capacity of NGO’s in the youth field and the struggle against racism, xenophobia, anti-Semitism and social exclusion of minority groups. The German volunteer in this individual EVS project will support the UNITED secretariat during a 12 months service in Amsterdam, The Netherlands. UNITED is the biggest pan-European network against nationalism, racism, fascism and in support of migrants and refugees. The volunteer will support the annual UNITED campaigns against racism and anti-Semitism through stimulating and empowering NGO’s all over Europe, creating and distributing campaign- and info-material and by producing an action agenda for active youth groups and organisations in the working field of UNITED. Furthermore he/she is involved in the preparation and implementation of at least one international UNITED conference, with ±70 participants from different European countries and with diverse cultural backgrounds. The well-established information- and networking-tools of the pan-European UNITED network enable the volunteers to work in a professional environment. An educational factor is the involvement in the local working-living community in Amsterdam, where the UNITED secretariat is a part of. Through local examples in the Netherlands the volunteer experiences new methods and ways of community building and empowerment of a common social responsibility in society. By working together within an intercultural/international team the volunteer is able to identify common European values and what it means to be an active European citizen.

**COORDINATOR:** UNITED for Intercultural Action

**GRANT AMOUNT:** 8,964,00 €
**REFERENCE:** 527070-2-FR-2012-R1

**TITLE:** EurAsiAmerica

**DESCRIPTION:** EurAsiAmerica is an EVS cooperation project which involves 4 partners of 4 different countries around the world: France, Italy, China and Peru. There will be 16 volunteers who will experience 6 months learning/working on the issue of sustainable rural/urban development and how to develop young people’s employability. To do this, the project foresees different activities which aim to develop volunteer's sense of initiative, project management and entrepreneurship skills. These skills are fundamental to increase young people’s possibility to be employed. At the same time, the acquired skills will be used by the volunteers to help local community by providing tools and knowledge which can promote rural/urban development. A virtuous cycle will be established by providing benefits in two ways: 1) at the end of the experience, the volunteers will come back home with skills that will be helpful during the job hunting; 2) the skills of volunteers will bring benefits to the local community giving local youth skills and employability perspectives in rural and urban areas.

Non-formal learning, experiential learning and learning by doing will be the main methodologies used. Reciprocal approach between sending and hosting organisations will be the basis for activities implementation. Pistes Solidaires, as coordinator, will assure the correct progress of the work also by providing tools about: volunteer selection/ preparation/volunteer tutorial management/volunteer empowerment, creativity and entrepreneurship workshop/youth pass skills recognition and identification.

**COORDINATOR:** Pistes solidaires

**GRANT AMOUNT:** 91.190,00 €
The Foundation Bracara Augusta aims to enhance the European Volunteer Service in the context of "Braga 2012 - European Capital of Youth." This EVS Group project will take over strategic issues from the European Youth Capital cities as Braga EYC 2012 aims to cooperate and network with other Youth Capital cities as sending’s and hosting organization. The main strategy will be the inclusion, participation of all foreign citizens currently living in Braga. Volunteers will develop their activities in the city of Braga and under the context of Braga EYC 2012, in the themes of Media, European awareness, Art and Culture and Youth Policies, by planning and promotion of EVS activities for a period of 08 months and project term of 09 months. There will also be cooperation from Braga EYC 2012 volunteers with local youth organizations that are working with the Braga 2012 organization in partner projects. "EVS Empower Braga EYC 2012" will be managed under Non Formal Education Tools, considering YOUTHPASS and achievement of new competences as main priority for the volunteers in this project. This Project is part of a broader programme for the creation of a network project under the Youth in Action in cooperation with the European Youth Capital’s and this project partners, of Torino, Antwerp, Maribor, Tessaloniki and Rotterdam. To register as well that this project born as a Follow-up of a previous Youth in Action Contact Seminar held in Kosice, Slovakia. This EVS Project presents 25 volunteers, in a total of 5 Volunteers per partner. The Volunteers will develop their EVS activities in the Themes, of Media, European awareness, Art and Culture and Youth Policies and will be distributed by these themes according to their expectations and competences.

COORDINATOR: Fundação Bracara Augusta - Braga 2012: European Youth Capital

GRANT AMOUNT: 146.875,00 €
REFERENCE:  527083-2-IT-2012-R1

TITLE: INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION: A BRIDGE FOR DEVELOPMENT BETWEEN ITALY AND ARGENTINA

DESCRIPTION: The present project involves Italy and Argentina and it will be developed in Posadas, in the operative departments of the hosting organisation, the Asociation Jardin de los Niños. The recruited volunteers are two Italian for a 8 months project dealing with the themes of development cooperation, children, minorities, gender equality and discrimination. The objective is to enforce volunteers' human and civic consciousness by tightly working with people in social and economic troubles being supported by the personnel and the volunteers of the humanitarian organisation. The structures led by Jardin de los Niños in which the volunteers will be involved in, are: a nursery school located in a poor slum; a welcome centre for unmarried teenage mothers; an elderly centre; a social-community centre providing health assistance, social and psychological support to children; and the “San Jorge” educational centre, which is Jardin de los Niños main office. All the activities will be developed in Provincia de Misiones: in particular in Barrio Sesquincentenario there are the nursery and the welcome centre for teenage-mothers; in Barrio San Jorge the social communitarian centre, the elderly centre, and the association main office. The 2 Italian volunteers are highly motivated for the entire project: they will be trained through non-formal methods as the "learning by doing" approach for which youth will be asked to observe situations and interact with the users and the local community. Volunteers will be constantly driven and supported by the mentor and the local professionals involved in the structures, who will also train them on the so called "Mutua Ayuda" methodology, which is adopted by the hosting partner in the services they offer to the people in need.

COORDINATOR: Ufficio Progetto Giovani – Comune di Padova

GRANT AMOUNT: 12.792,00 €
Seed for Growth 2 is an EVS Project involving 5 group EVS activities. 2 Hosting Activities will be hosted in Parana’, Brazil, 2 will be hosted in Passignano sul Trasimeno, Italy and 1 in Puebla, Messico. In total it will involve 14 volunteers, 10 from Programme Countries and 4 from Partner Countries, of which some with fewer opportunities. The volunteers will carry out their services between September 2012 and June 2013.

The themes of the project are environment and urban/rural development. The objectives of the project are to offer the volunteers an intercultural experience where they will acquire skills and knowledge regarding global environmental challenges and inclusion of marginalised communities into the mainstream of society. The volunteers will be carrying activities that will benefit the local communities and the volunteers in particular. The activities will vary.

The services in Brazil will last 5 months (organised in 2 shifts starting from September 2012). The volunteers involved in these hosting activities will be from Italy, Poland and France and they will be working with marginalised communities of indigenous people (indios). They will use theatre and creative arts in nature as a means of involving these communities in educating and understanding their rights and duties as active citizens.

In Italy, 2 shifts of 4 volunteers will be hosted; the volunteers involved in these hosting activities will be from Poland, France, Messico and Brazil. The activities will be related to eco-farming which will provide them enhance their respect and understanding of environment. They will carry out specific manual activities in an intercultural environment.

In Messico 2 volunteers will be hosted: 1 from Poland and 1 from Italy. They will be involved in environmental education and projects related to sustainable development.

COORDINATOR: Associazione di promozione sociale Joint

GRANT AMOUNT: 66.140,00 €
**REFERENCE:** 527113-2-FR-2012-R1

**TITLE:** EVS France and Vietnam - citizenship and volunteering without borders

**DESCRIPTION:** EVS France and Vietnam - citizenship and volunteering without borders has been conceived by Concordia and VPV Vietnam with the aim of promoting volunteering and active citizenship both in Asia and Europe. The project wishes to promote and further develop the voluntary exchanges between France and Vietnam. The EVS volunteers will work side by side with the local communities, children and young people and they will be involved in voluntary activities promoting social inclusion, intercultural learning and accessibility for people with fewer opportunities through a participatory approach. Furthermore, the project's objective is to empower young people as active participants in social changes and to allow them to foster social inclusion by working closely with local partners, NGO and volunteers with fewer opportunities. The three volunteers (2 French and 1 Vietnamese) will also write a blog about the activities conducted in both countries and they will provide a short summary in a booklet at the end of the project. The subject of the booklet will deal with the voluntary actions they took part in concerning social inclusion and accessibility. Concordia and VPV will work closely in each stage of the EVS project sharing good practices, methodologies and tools of non-formal education. The volunteers will play a key role as actors of the on-going evaluation process of the EVS project.

**COORDINATOR:** CONCORDIA

**GRANT AMOUNT:** 17.440,00 €
STILL WORDS Story Telling for Intergenerational Solidarity and Social Inclusion is a training course (Action 3.1), 7 days long, that will be run in Augusta (SR), Sicily, ITALY and will see the participation of 29 social workers, youth workers, trainers, facilitator and supports staff from Italy, France, Rumania, Greece, Serbia, Albania, Bosnia and Herzegovina and Montenegro.

The theme of the project is art and culture and how they can be used to facilitate the anti-discrimination, the urban requalification and to fight against marginalisation in EU and SEE suburbs. The art of story telling will be the powerful tool proposed to the group to stimulate the interaction among different generations, to overcome stereotypes and to set new forms of cooperation to develop the urban backgrounds. The aim of the training is to provide to the participants, who daily work in disadvantage areas, in EU and SEE cities, developing cross-age initiatives, of innovative working methods, based on non formal education and story telling, to strengthen the impact of their cross-age activities. The project implementation is based on two interactive workshops, one of social inclusion and one on story telling that will develop the following topics: social exclusion: behind the definitions and against labelling; different targets-different types of exclusion; intergenerational dialogue; different approaches in cross-age activities; story telling, social inclusion and cross-age initiatives; knowledge and skills transmission to other beneficiaries.

A Study visits and a final event will be organized. During the training there will be proposed interactive methodologies based on non formal education and story telling. Knowledge and skills will be shared following a peer to peer approach and it will facilitate the learning assessment. The story telling methodology will facilitate the interaction of trainers, facilitators and trainees and the exchange of good practices.

COORDINATOR: LUNARIA Associazione di Promozione Sociale e I.S.

GRANT AMOUNT: 21.983,00 €
La mobilité internationale des jeunes peut-être un outil pertinent pour leur insertion dans notre société ainsi qu'un premier pas important vers l'acquisition d'une conscience citoyenne. Être citoyen comprend, entre autres et au regard des défis mondiaux actuels, la connaissance des grands enjeux environnementaux transnationaux ayant un impact sur notre vie quotidienne. Il convient donc de sensibiliser et d'éduquer les jeunes à la protection de l'environnement et au développement durable afin qu'ils aient les outils pour modifier leurs comportements et qu'ils puissent devenir de véritables écocitoyens. De plus, une mobilité euroméditerranéenne leur permettrait de saisir toute la portée des enjeux d'une démocratie au vue des événements du "Printemps Arabe".

C'est dans ce cadre que s'inscrit notre projet ActiMed qui se tiendra à Marseille, en France, durant 5 jours du 8 au 12 octobre 2012. Il a pour ambition de réunir deux participants de la structure tunisienne A.E Kelibia, deux participants de l'association des Petits Débrouillards Maroc, trois participants français venant respectivement de l'association A Rocha, les Petits Débrouillards PACA et la MJC Montéux ainsi que deux participants de notre structure partenaire italienne, Deafal Ong, afin qu'un partenariat durable soit engagé. Cette rencontre sera encadrée par trois personnes de l'association Eurocircle.

Ces structures pourront échanger autour de leurs bonnes pratiques et expériences puis monter ensemble, via le Programme Européen Jeunesse en Action (PEJA), des projets dans le domaine de l'environnement en accord avec la politique européenne environnementale.

Eurocircle, en tant que structure d'accueil, aura pour mission de faciliter cette collaboration et d'assurer le bon déroulement du projet afin que des dossiers de mobilité soient déposés à la date limite suivante, en apportant si besoin un soutien lors de la phase du montage.

COORDINATOR: Eurocircle

GRANT AMOUNT: 5.753,00 €
Europe needs active citizens and participation, because democratic societies are based on them. Therefore citizens must be encouraged and involved in participation for their own good. The idea of European Citizenship is based on the efforts of participation by the citizens themselves. The youth of Europe plays a crucial role in there. They are becoming decision-makers in the future. But before they need to know about themselves and their neighbours in Europe to evaluate, differentiate and solve problems that the future will bring. This project gives them the opportunity to get to know each other and try to listen and understand different point of views. The intercultural challenge that implies in here, 50 participants from EU27 programme countries and neighbouring partner countries from SEE and EECA will contribute in many ways to the individual learning process of each participant. Based on our experiences made within the 1st, 2nd and 3rd Youth Meeting the present 4th Youth Meeting will offer a platform where all participants can learn in an atmosphere of mutual understanding something about themselves and something about their neighbours in Europe in general but in particular through exchanging their knowledge, experiences and best practice in the field of international youth work. To reach the aim to create a European awareness during the project therefore the participants will work together with methods of non-formal education about crucial points of youth participation in Europe. Another string that will guideline this project aims the questions what means European active citizenship and how can we support active participation in our home communities? Last but not least is to get connected and finding synergy-effects between us and new projects under the umbrella of YiA Programme of the European Commission. The “4th International Youth Meeting: European Citizen – Where are you?” will take place in Prague, Czech Republic from 27.08.2012-05.09.2012.
"C.H.A.N.G.E. - Challenges on How to Activate New Generation in Europe" is an 8 days Training Course (TC) with the main aim to promote active participation among youth on local level using creativity and innovation in projects to fight and address discrimination. YEU International, as a hosting organization will gather 36 youth leaders from 26 different countries in Mollina (Spain) in the event that has an important preparation and follow up phases led by experienced trainers.

With this TC, we will empower young leaders active in our partners organisations to increase their SKAs (Skills, Knowledge and Attitudes) on how to recruit and motivate young people on local level and find the ways to include them in youth NGO activities. TC especially focuses on how to stimulate and increase creative and innovative project proposals initiated by young people for young people on local level, based on active youth participation fighting different forms and levels of discrimination young people face. During the project we will use non-formal education methods and give space for participants to take an active role, express themselves and share good practices.

The project will have 4 phases: in first online phase, the need assessment on discrimination young people face will be implemented by partner organisations led by selected participants; during the TC (2nd phase) we will focus on how to address those needs and address discrimination by creative local initiatives; finally the last part will be dedicated for participants to organize activities on local level with non organized youth based on SKAs gained in TC and assessments. Project will continue with publications that will gather project experiences especially information from local projects taking place after the TC in addressing discrimination based on active participation, antidiscrimination and innovation, with the idea to increase outreach of the project and disseminate the best practice among 300 other stakeholders.

COORDINATOR: Youth for Exchange and Understanding International

GRANT AMOUNT: 34.805,00 €
Title: Evaluating EVS projects for youth in difficulty

Description: The applicant, Europejskie Forum Młodzieży, will host the ‘Evaluating EVS projects for youth in difficulty’ seminar in Dlugopole, Poland from 25th to 28th October 2012. The aim of the seminar is to evaluate short and long term EVS projects that are dedicated to youth with fewer opportunities. We and our partners have been hosting and sending youngsters for many years but we have never had a real opportunity to meet up together to discuss the quality of our projects. That is why we want to take time to share the good solution and methods we have but also talk over the problems we encounter while preparing and setting up projects and hosting a volunteer. What is more, between 2007 and 2013 YiA Programme changed a lot. It will also change after 2013. We want also to evaluate how/if the changes in the programme affected our work and what impact it had on youth with fewer opportunities. To obtain our goal we will use methods emphasizing interaction between participants such as: discussions, brain-storming, study case, round-tables and outdoor activities such as visiting EVS project for youth with fewer opportunities of applicant. We will not forget about ice-breakers that will permit the participants to relax and will create better coherence in the group. The project involves 14 participants from: Poland, Turkey, Austria, Greece, France, Romania, Bulgaria, Ukraine, Armenia, Georgia, Italy, and Azerbaijan.

Coordinator: Europejskie Forum Młodzieży

Grant Amount: 9.559,00 €
REFERENCE: 526670-3.1-BE-2012-R1

TITLE: Democratic governance & leadership for development

DESCRIPTION: The seminar “Democratic governance & leadership for the development of civil society” will bring together youth leaders from the EFIL/AFS network in order to exchange experience and discuss the democratic mechanisms in the participating organisations, as well as in their countries in the wider sense. The important focus of the seminar will be on the role of youth leaders in civil society organisations.

The event will take place in Croatia, and will involve 21 participants, 4 trainers and 1 support staff from 17 European countries. EFIL, as the applicant organisation, will coordinate the communication between the project partners. The hosting role will be played by its Member Organisation, AFS Croatia. All the promoters will co-shape the event, recruit and prepare participants and conduct dissemination and follow-up activities.

During the 4-day programme participants will share different realities from their countries and organisations, reflect on democracy and its intercultural aspects, learn about national/European policies influencing the work of youth orgs and finally focus on the role and skills of leaders to ensure the participatory decision making.

The project content will touch upon issues of youth participation, with its contribution to building democracy and local, national & European civil society. The location in a SEE country will be an opportunity to study the reality of a younger democracy development, faced with the European context around it.

Through interactive participatory methods and peer learning, the competence existing among participants and their organisations will be explored.

As key leaders, participants will have a big impact on the results multiplication in their countries. Hence, the project outcomes will affect a large number of young volunteers involved in exchange organisations, enhancing their democratic participation also in the wider scene of national and European civil society.

COORDINATOR: European Federation for Intercultural Learning

GRANT AMOUNT: 11.179,00 €
REFERENCE: 526711-3.1-FR-2012-R1

TITLE: Combating Discrimination Towards Migrant and Roma

DESCRIPTION: La formation traite le thème de la lutte contre les discriminations envers les minorités migrantes et Roms. Les objectifs sont de former et doter les jeunes, animateurs et travailleurs de jeunesse d’aptitudes, d’attitudes, de savoirs et de valeurs liés à la conduite de projets interculturels de jeunesse favorisant l’inclusion des minorités et la cohésion sociale en Europe. Les méthodes d’éducation non formelle utilisées favoriseront le processus d’apprentissage, avec l’échange d’idées et d’expériences vécues, des inputs d’experts et des bonnes pratiques, ainsi que l’élaboration de recommandations qui faciliteront le développement de nouveaux projets multilatéraux de qualité et durable. Cette formation de 10 jours aura lieu à Strasbourg, en France du 20 au 30 septembre 2012. L’AMSED, association d’accueil et coordonnatrice réunira 36 travailleurs de jeunesse, issus de 12 pays programmes et des 2 régions voisines: France, Espagne, Allemagne, Bulgarie, Turquie, Roumanie, Ukraine, Azerbaïdjan, Géorgie, Algérie, Maroc et Israël. The training tackles the topic of combating discrimination towards migrant and Roma minorities, which main objectives are to train and give to the young people, youth leaders and youth workers knowledge, skills, behaviour and values linked to intercultural youth projects management, fostering the inclusion of minorities and the social cohesion in Europe. The non formal education methods used, sharing ideas and experiences lived in the social realities of the youngsters, inputs of experts and good practices, as well as recommendations, for the development of new multilateral qualitative and sustainable projects. This 10 days training will occur in Strasbourg, France from 20th until 30th of September 2012. AMSED, hosting and coordinating organization will gather 36 youth workers from 12 program countries and 2 neighbouring regions: France, Spain, Germany, Bulgaria, Turkey, Romania, Ukraine, Azerbaïdjan, Georgia, Algeria, Morocco and Israel.

COORDINATOR: Association Migration Solidarité et Echanges pour le Développement

GRANT AMOUNT: 42.676,48 €
“Euromed at work for active citizenship” (EWAC) is a TC that will be held in Palermo (Italy) during 8 days. There will be 16 partners & 40 participants (youth trainers/workers, peer educators, volunteers,youth with fewer opportunities) from: Italy, Bulgaria, Czech Republic, Greece, Lithuania, Norway, Estonia, Slovenia, Malta, Turkey, Tunisia, Algeria, Lebanon, Palestine, Israel and Morocco.

The project has been born through the recognition that there is a close link between the current economic crisis and the sociopolitical transformations in EUROMED countries, so all dimensions of civic engagement (active citizenship, volunteering and participation) are increasingly appearing on the national and international agendas, leading many countries to adopt specific strategies or policies on it.

EWAC aims to address these issues from young people's perspective, by stimulating them to use the different opportunities of participation that YiA and other programmes offer, as a way to tackle unemployment and social challenges.

Objectives:
- to support the development of an active citizenship and democratic participation at EUROMED level;
- to show the different opportunities offered by the European and International framework of promoting active citizenship & participation at EUROMED level, including unemployed youth;
- to reflect about EUROMED labour market situation and to stimulate cooperation between these countries in this field;
- to reflect about non formal education and new technologies tools in order to promote active citizenship;
- to raise awareness of the possible benefits of promoting active citizenship to local communities and society in general;
- to share experiences and to develop common strategies for civic participation.

The final result will be the built of competences on how to make youth active as citizens in EUROMED & the promotion of new projects. Non formal education methodologies employed include team building, group discussions, art, OST, etc.

COORDINATOR: Centro Studi ed Iniziative Europeo

GRANT AMOUNT: 40.884,00 €
REFERENCE: 526725-3.1-DE-2012-R1

TITLE: Democracy Agents


COORDINATOR: Kreisau-Initiative e. V.

GRANT AMOUNT: 19.077,00 €
PR Training for Voluntary Service Organisations

EDYN offers a tailor made PR and Social Media Training for EDYN members and area-related organizations. The shift to the Internet for news and information has changed the practice of public relations and marketing. Social media and the development of social media skills across the organizations, has become essential. Apart from giving and gaining practical and useful knowledge about PR as such, the programme aims to encourage partnerships across Europe to strengthen the cooperation in the field of voluntary service. The interesting mixture of volunteers and delegates of voluntary service organisations also gives a unique approach to the programme: with an instant feedback of the volunteers in the workshop sessions, the organisations may promptly see how and where to change their programme options to be more volunteer friendly/ focused and vice versa.

Topics will be dealt with in workshops:
1) What does PR mean? What is PR? Where can you use it and what can you do yourself? How to encourage youngsters to approach media? Practicalities: how to write a press release; how do I talk with the press, interview training, etc;
2) What is Social Media and how to integrate? Hands on practice (write your pilot project and start on the computer);
3) Training on film/ film making: how to use film material in Social Media? Making use of small cameras or mobile phones. Start making your own short films in a simple way and transfer the knowledge to the volunteers who take part in your voluntary year program;
4) Field visits: e.g. companies who already work with Social Media

Registration fee will be taken to cover the leisure time/ group building/ intercultural evening costs (40 EUR/CEE countries, CEE EDYN members; 80 EUR/Western European EDYN members; 90 EUR/non-EDYN participants, see attachment, hard copy, by post).

COORDINATOR: Ecumenical Diaconal Year Network

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TITLE: Volunteer Messenger - STEP 2

DESCRIPTION: The 6-day training for trainers held in Lviv, Ukraine for 41 representatives of different member organisations of the Alliance of European Voluntary Service Organisations follows up the Volunteer Messenger project and Flagship tour of the Alliance of Voluntary Service Organisations which took place in 2011 aiming to evaluate the experience and plan the “Volunteer Messenger Campaign 2013”.

This project was an original project that was inspired by young people participating in the working groups and External Relation Committee of the Network. They felt the need to go deeper into the meaning of volunteering and its values and investigate ways to promote it.

Volunteer messenger is a person who spreads the “message” about volunteering, values and aims of International Voluntary Service using non formal education methods, and through mentoring and peer-to-peer support.

The “message” aims to increase awareness about volunteerism, its values, and to provide young people with information about opportunities that exist for them within the Alliance of European Voluntary Service Organizations activities.

The objectives of the project:
- To evaluate the results of “Volunteer Messenger Project” and “Flagship Tour” of Alliance
- To Plan the “Volunteer messenger information campaign”
- To provide young people interested in being the “Volunteer messengers” with information and tools that can be used in the non formal education activities they will do;
- To increase awareness about voluntarism;
- To create the workshops/module that can be used in the Volunteer Messenger Project.

After the training participants will plan, monitor and evaluate the information campaign in their countries. They will visit local international voluntary service projects organised by their organisations and will deliver workshops for the participants to let them explore the meaning of volunteering and the link between their project and the needs of the local community.

COORDINATOR: Alliance of European Voluntary Service Organisations

GRANT AMOUNT: 24,934,00 €

**COORDINATOR:** CULTURE GOES EUROPE (CGE) – Soziokulturelle Initiative Erfurt

**GRANT AMOUNT:** 25.532,00 €
**REFERENCE:** 526973-3.1-DE-2012-R1

**TITLE:** Euro-Mediterranean Youth Parliament in Stockholm

**DESCRIPTION:** The project “Session of the Euro-Mediterranean Youth Parliament in Stockholm” will create a unique meeting place for seven working days gathering in total 100 young people between 18 and 25 years of age from 15 European and MEDA countries as well as local youth from Sweden. They will experience parliamentary democracy first-hand in a multicultural setting and discuss current issues as well practical ways to work on solving some of the most pressing challenges of their home countries and communities. The project draws on the experience of the Euro-Mediterranean Youth Parliament organised in Berlin in 2007 supported with support from the European Commission and German Foreign Office.

The participants will divide into international teams with the aim to each draft a resolution on a current topic with a special focus on issues connected to Euro-Mediterranean relations. The participants will formulate their own ideas based on real resources, but with the aim to propose innovative solutions as well as concrete projects. The resolutions and project ideas will then be debated in a two-day parliamentary assembly at the end of the event. Additionally, the event will include a series of cultural events promoting intercultural exchange and dialogue.

By taking part in the event, the participants will go through a non-formal as well as informal learning experience aimed at the promotion of participatory citizenship and intercultural dialogue. Within the project the organisers wish to encourage young people to actively participate in discussions currently on the political agenda as well as to learn new skills through working in international multi-cultural teams on challenging political topics.

The Session will be organised by voluntarily active young people aged between 18 and 25 making the Session an entirely youth driven project. The applicant coordinates the sending of participants from 15 countries to the event, which is hosted by the main project partner, EYP Sweden.

**COORDINATOR:** Schwarzkopf Stiftung Junges Europa

**GRANT AMOUNT:** 39.380,00 €
REFERENCE: 526777-3.1-CZ-2012-R1

TITLE: Give pedestrians their city back

DESCRIPTION: Generations of today live on a planet where urban development has main focus of attention and importance. What frequently happens is that the sustainability appraisal is neglected during planning process, as well as the right of public information and participation in decision making? The Youth Exchange “Give pedestrians their city back” aims to share experiences and best practices on the concept and actions on green cities and also to develop cooperation and common awareness raising actions that will be widely implemented in a number of European countries.

The project will involve 4 organizations from 4 different European countries who work in the field of youth and environmental protection. It will gather 20 young people from Albania, Serbia, Czech Republic and Germany, who want to make green changes in their cities by influencing decision makers and raise community awareness. It will last 7 days and will take place from 16-23 September 2012 in Tirana, Albania.

While running all the activities of the project (practical workshops, outdoor activities, environmental games, presentations) methods of non-formal education will be used (interactive workshops - learning by doing, creative activities, reflection in small groups, discussions, simulation games, role plays, group work and participants' presentations). The last day of the youth exchange will include a one day direct action in the city on the occasion of 22/9, the World Car Free Day.

All participants will be involved in preparing different sessions of the agenda - some of the sessions will be prepared by national teams of participants, others by the international preparatory team composed of the group leaders. In this way, they will develop the feeling of ownership of the action and its outcomes, so the enthusiasm will continue and will be transferred in their own communities after the project is finished.

YEE is the applicant and sending partner of the project and EDEN Center will host the YE.

COORDINATOR: Youth and Environment Europe

GRANT AMOUNT: 9.375,00 €
ACTION 4 - YOUTH SUPPORT SYSTEMS

ACTION 4.3
TRAINING AND NETWORKING OF THOSE ACTIVE IN YOUTH WORK AND YOUTH ORGANISATIONS

REFERENCE: 526366-4.3-ES-2012-R1

TITLE: Roma counts! Training course on social inclusion

DESCRIPTION: "Roma People counts!" se celebra en España, acogido por HREYN. El tema es la inclusión social de jóvenes gitanos a través de proyectos JeA de educación no formal (Iniciativas locales, SVE sobre todo). Los objetivos: 1) Desarrollar las competencias de los participantes para trabajar desde la educación no formal con gitanos a través del SVE o la Acción 1.2. 2) Dar las herramientas necesarias (habilidades, actitudes y conocimientos) a los participantes para trabajar la inclusión social bien como tutores de proyectos SVE bien como "coach" en la acción 1.2. 3) Intercambiar experiencias entre los participantes en relación la realidad vivida por jóvenes gitanos y así contribuir al enriquecimiento mutuo. 4) Iniciar una cooperación europea para el desarrollo de proyectos de SVE y Acción 1.2 que tengan en cuenta las peculiaridades culturales y étnicas de la minoría gitana. Participarán 26 personas durante 10 días a través de dinámicas y actividades de educación no formal, y participan, España, Polonia, Bulgaria, Hungría, Rumanía y Lituania.

“Roma People counts!” Tc takes place in Spain, organized and hosted by HREYN. The theme is social inclusion of young Roma people through non formal learning and YiA projects (Action 1.2 and 2). Objectives are: 1) Develop pax’s competences to work with Young Roma people through non formal learning. 2) Give the necessary tools to EVS mentors and coaches in youth NGO’s to properly work with Roma People. 3) Facilitate the Exchange of experiences among the pax with regard to the situation faced by Roma young people. 4) Start an european cooperation strategy in order to develop new YiA projects dealing with social inclusion of Roma Young people. There will be 26 pax, for 10 days they will take part in different non formal education activities such us debates, case studies, presentations, rol plays, etc. Partner countries are Spain, Poland, Romania, Bulgaria, Hungary & Lithuania.

COORDINATOR: Red Internaci de Educación en Los Derechos Humanos con Jóvenes

GRANT AMOUNT: 19,748,00 €
REFERENCE: 526368-4.3-IT-2012-R1

TITLE: Intercultural Communication Among Young Scientists

DESCRIPTION: A career of a life scientist involves frequent travelling and working in an international environment. Intercultural encounters within and outside Europe are therefore impossible to avoid. A miscommunication originating from the cultural differences may however create complex problems. To address this issue, the Young European Biotech Network (YEBN) and its Institutional Members ASSB (Poland), btS (Germany), Club Biotech (Austria), FEBiotec (Spain) and NGB (France) offer a Training Course on "Intercultural Communication Among Young Scientists". YEBN, as an umbrella organisation, will be handling the international aspects of the meeting, whereas Club Biotech will be the hosting organisation. The training will take place in Vienna (Austria) and will last 3 days. Around 35 young biotechnologists will be given the opportunity to participate in this interactive workshop. The workshop will challenge their communication skills and raise their awareness of possible implications of cultural differences on communication. They will train their intercultural communication skills by non-formal learning methods such as group work, role play and case studies. The knowledge they will gain will be easily transferable to their daily life and studies, as well as to their work as group leaders of intercultural youth groups on a European level.

COORDINATOR: Young European Biotech Network

GRANT AMOUNT: 8.676,00 €
REFERENCE: 526466-4.3-BG-2012-R1

TITLE: “Promoting Youth Employment - Policy and Action”

DESCRIPTION: Aim:
The project's objective is to examine the challenges regarding the youth unemployment in terms of further European development as well as the policies and the strategies that currently address it. Focusing on this, the project will assess the effectiveness of employment creation strategies, examine the vocational educational systems and their contributions for increased capacity of youth employment, review the policies' framework and the strategies for ameliorating the conditions for self employment and decent work.

Objectives:
- Support young people's entrepreneurship e.g. via targeted education, access to funds, mentoring and support networks and structures in favour of youth entrepreneurship;
- Increase the participants' professional skills, through the understanding of the entrepreneurship's inner structures and procedures, abilities for project management and organizational leadership skills, skills for multicultural team work, tolerance, understanding and dialogue;
- Strengthen the social inclusion of young people, particularly those most disadvantaged: combat exclusion, precarious social conditions and marginalization;
- Promote intergenerational dialogue and solidarity and foster equal opportunities for all, especially those at risk of exclusion;

Themes: Mobility and migration, Youth employment and perspectives, Marginalization, Participation and empowerment.

Methodology: Wide range of theoretical seminars and practical cases that aim to motivate the participants to create their own business, find jobs and suitable realization. In our project we use non-formal education methods such as power point presentations, group work, group discussions, team building activities.

Activities and target group: preparatory activities (research) and 7 days training course with 41 participants (youth workers, youth leaders, activists, trainers) from 7 different NGO's and countries (BG, TR, IT, PT, CZ, SI, ES).

COORDINATOR: International Development Alliance

GRANT AMOUNT: 21,147.00 €
REFERENCE: 526548-4.3-IT-2012-R1

TITLE: ABCDE for Young People

DESCRIPTION: Through the past decade Europe has changed the traditional approach to many spheres of life due to cultural, technological, social and economical shifts in the society. One of the spheres that has transformed in a significant way is the attitude towards jobs and careers and the reality of the employment market. Young people face the perspective of changing a significant number of long-term and short-term jobs and quite likely even several professions during their careers to cope with dynamic social and economical conditions.

ABCDE for Young People – Acting to Belong and Create Diversity in Employment for Young People is a training course for youth leader and workers who wants to develop creativity as an essential competence to open the job market. The project will be based in Sicily and the main topic is to understand the new paradigm of the youth employment in Europe and how a creative approach together with the right attitude can open many doors and the market for young people. The training course uses methods of experiential learning as role plays, simulations and drama methods and group sharing methods as small and large group discussions. Together, we will be working out and improving 'new methods' on how to raise awareness of youngsters for participation in their local community and beyond. All over mission of the training course is to find the ways how to improve young people chances to succeed in the very dynamic job market. The TC will last 7 days and the partners are based in Programme countries.

COORDINATOR: Associazione Culturale Strauss

GRANT AMOUNT: 27.433,00 €
Objectives of the proposed course are media trainings, improving competences and skills of the responsible youth workers who want to use media tools in their daily work with the theme “climate change and sustainability”, to use Community Media and to contribute to the creation of international Web-TV for non-governmental, social and cultural Youth NGOs across Europe. The training will introduce 24 multipliers to the methods of raising European awareness, promoting environmental protection and sustainability together with intercultural dialogue and fostering understanding and cooperation between young people in Europe with the help of Community Media and Web-TV-tools. Focussed on the theme "climate change and renewable energy" the participants will explore characteristics of active citizenship, and intercultural dialogue and will learn how these priorities can be creatively addressed by means of using modern digital media and Community Media. After the training participants know more about sustainability, they know how Community Media works, how to produce short reports, street interviews and information clips about acute ecological issues for the Community Media and European Web-TV projects. These skills are important key competences and will intensely improve the employability of Youth. Participants will be acknowledged by a certificate which makes the non-formal qualifications transparent. Building up a network of youth media multipliers will allow initiating and maintaining the theme of the training course in Community Media and internet-TV programs. Their media reports will be disseminated via Youth Web-TV(www.europeanweb.tv). Together we will upgrade the cross-border networks of Youth NGOs for a stronger cohesion in EU as well as with the candidate Turkey. The ‘sustainability’ of cooperation will get stronger to promote intercultural communication and awareness on climate change in EU. New projects for better Youth employability will arise from the project.

COORDINATOR: European Youth4Media Network e.V.

GRANT AMOUNT: 22.840,00 €
The TC “Facing Europe 2020: Key Competences for Youth Workers in Non-formal Education” is aimed to support the development of competences of youth workers in non-formal education for increasing the quality of youth projects on a larger scale, enabling them to develop and to run certain local activities in order to translate the learning outcomes of the TC into practice on local level. The activities are based on principles & practice of non-formal learning include various activities as exercises, simulations, which are creating situations for deeper personal reflection, followed by debriefing, work in small mixed groups, individual work, inputs, presentations & discussion of results, free time activities & intercultural activities. Attending the TC will help the participants – in relation to their personal development as well as the implementation of own local activities in cooperation with their sending organisations and local communities – to increase understanding of what is non-formal education in the context of youth work, to build capacities for developing & implementing youth projects, to explore possible links between youth work, non-formal education and employability/employment of youth people, to share and discuss experiences and to develop partnerships for future action in this field. The intercultural challenge that implies in here, 30 participants from EU27 programme countries will contribute in many ways to the individual learning process of each participant. Based on our experiences made within the last seven years of local and international youth work the TC offers a platform where all participants will learn in an atmosphere of mutual understanding exchanging their knowledge and experiences in the field of international youth work. Last but not least is to get connected and finding synergy-effects between us and new projects under the umbrella of YiA. The TC will take place in Erfurt, Germany from 30.11.2012-09.12.2012.

COORDINATOR: CULTURE GOES EUROPE (CGE) - Soziokulturelle Initiative Erfurt

GRANT AMOUNT: 26.492,00 €


"Portal of Good News" steht allen Internetnutzer/innen offen und bringt so auch über die Zahl der Teilnehmer/innen am Training in Kreisau aktive Bürger/innen zusammen und bietet eine internationale Plattform für engagierte Projektleiter/innen und Jugendarbeiter/innen.

COORDINATOR: Kreisau-Initiative e. V.

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The mission of YFU organisations worldwide is to foster intercultural learning through long term youth exchanges. In Europe, each year over 2,500 teenagers participate in yearlong youth exchanges organised by YFU. Their experience abroad, integrating into a new family and school, making new friends and learning a new language, is a profound one where they are challenged to develop intercultural competences. They are accompanied in this process by dedicated staff and volunteers that form the worldwide YFU network.

The seminar ‘Approaching education’ aims to develop a coherent educational approach based on current developments in intercultural dialogue and learning for young people and youth workers for the YFU network and will bring together 25 participants from 13 countries in Prague, the Czech Republic to explore together the concept of a 'learning organisation' and how this can be fostered.

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"Sport and outdoor activities for inclusion" is an 8-days long training course that will be held from 23rd to 31st October 2012 in Orahovica, Croatia. The training course will gather 26 participants from 11 partner organisations from 9 countries (Italy, Iceland, Estonia, Greece, Croatia, Latvia, Turkey, Czech Republic and Romania). Themes of the project are using sport and outdoor activities for non-formal learning in the anti-discrimination youth projects with marginalised groups, against social exclusion. Project aims at empowering youth workers for active promotion of combating social exclusion; empowering them in creativity and innovation when using sport/outdoor activities for social inclusion and thus through their work encourage quality exchange between mainstream young people and the ones from marginalised groups; allowing for exchange of practices among youth workers from different countries on marginalisation and social volunteering for inclusion; developing more local and YiA projects using sport/outdoor activities towards more inclusive society. Project's activities are: preparation activities (including the participants, venue and travel, etc.), the training course with active participation of participants and the evaluation of the participants and the partners, with meeting on the spot of the team and online evaluation meeting of all the partners. The course is designed as open non-formal education and learning process based on participants’ experience and exchange. Different interactive, participatory sport/outdoor methods will be used by trainers and designed upon the profile of participants and their learning styles. Associazione InformaGiovani is applicant for this project on behalf of the informal European network on social volunteering as tool for inclusion and is also sending participants to the training course, while Association "Realization" from Croatia has the hosting role together with the sending one.

COORDINATOR: Associazione InformaGiovani

GRANT AMOUNT: 23.245,00 €
REFERENCE: 526959-4.3-BE-2012-R1

TITLE: Quality in Eur.Citizenship content of IC exchanges

DESCRIPTION: The training course “Quality in European Citizenship content of intercultural exchanges” will bring together volunteers from the EFIL network to enhance the quality of the EC content of intercultural exchanges, namely the short and long term pupil exchanges and the EVS/18+ programmes promoted by AFS partners in Europe. The event will take place in Dworp (Belgium), involve 30 participants, 5 trainers and 2 support staff from 16 European countries, and happen in parallel to the Camp of the European Citizenship Trimester Programme (ECTP). EFIL as the applicant organisation will co-ordinate the communication between the project partners, and play the hosting role with strong involvement of the other 2 Belgium-based partners. All promoters will co-shape the event, recruit and prepare participants and conduct dissemination and follow-up activities.

During the 6-day training, participants will enhance their understanding of the link between Intercultural Competence and Citizenship, focusing on European Citizenship (EC) and Active Citizenship (AC). They will also gain competence on Quality assessment and develop indicators to be used throughout the training to evaluate the EC content in different phases of the ECTP, and in other intercultural exchanges. This will be done through interactive participatory methods, drawing from the competence existing among participants and their organisations.

Dissemination activities will take place on the spot for the benefit of the youth at the ECTP Camp: participants will deliver workshops on EC and AC, tackling issues as the Fight against poverty and marginalization and Global environmental challenges. Moreover, participants divided in working groups will develop and follow up an Action plan for dissemination at national and local level, targeting also other youth organizations. The outcomes of the project will thus benefit a great number of young Europeans involved directly and indirectly in intercultural exchanges in AFS and beyond.

COORDINATOR: European Federation for Intercultural Learning

GRANT AMOUNT: 21.303,70 €
"Genderalizing: management of diversity in gender" is a Training Course to be held in Krakow, Poland, between the 20th and the 28th of October 2012, that will bring together motivated youth workers and youth leaders active in the third sector from 10 Programme countries. It will create a non-formal space for exploring and discussing gender issues, and analyzing the diverse manners how the related subjects are treated in our countries and in the European space in general. Hence, we envisage to create an environment where youngsters can discover, reflect and debate about topics such as gender equality, sexual-based discrimination, homosexuality or the role of women. We find this topic to be extremely connected to the host country, one marked by traditional religious-oriented values of family and, notably, the idea of “woman-mother”, but on the other hand a pioneer since it is one of the few countries where homosexuality has never been illegal. We will then explore the features of the European Strategy for equality between women and men 2010-2015 and strive to discover what can and shall be done in order raise awareness for the importance of the conflict-ridden topic of gender equality and gender stereotypes. Afterwards, thanks to the choice over non-formal education methods, we intend to actively involve the participants in the diverse working moments, sharing opinions, cooperating amongst themselves, learning from each other and ultimately conceiving project ideas together. Hence, we expect to generate an experience of great personal and professional growth with significant development of skills and competences that promote and facilitate the preparation and realization of projects and activities, at international or local level, on gender issues by providing examples of the tools as well as the methods which may be used for the realization of such projects.
REFERENCE: 527003-4.3-IT-2012-R1

TITLE: SPRAYS AND PENCILS

DESCRIPTION: SPRAYS AND PENCILS European Tools for Intergenerational Solidarity and Social Inclusion is a training course (Action 4.3), 7 days long, that will be run in San Giorgio a Cremano (NA), Italy and will see the active participation of 26 peer educators, youth and social workers, trainers, facilitator and support staff from Italy, Holland, Portugal, France, Greece, Hungary and Turkey. The theme of the project is street art in all its shapes and in particular the writing as operative tool to promote the active participation of young people and adults coming from less privileged backgrounds in concrete actions aimed at empowering the life conditions in the suburbs of the big EU cities. Art has the power to create an interaction among different generations, to overcome stereotypes, to stimulate the intergenerational solidarity and to look for new forms of cooperation to re-qualify the outskirts. The project aims at developing new forms of intergenerational dialogue able to involve youth and adults coming from suburbs and to involve them in concrete and deep-rooted actions to promote the redevelopment of these areas and the empowerment of the life conditions of the local communities. As implemented activities are foreseen two interactive workshops, one on social inclusion and intergenerational participation and one on street art to promote intergenerational dialogue and social inclusion. Both will develop the following topics: non violent management of intergenerational, socio-cultural and economical conflicts, creativity and non formal education, legality, urban redevelopment through street art and good practices. It will be run a study visit to the “Cunto” project in Naples and the last day it will be organized the final event. During the training it will be proposed an interactive methodology, based on the principles of non formal education, where the different techniques are used to stimulate the interaction among participants and to facilitate their active learning.

COORDINATOR: LUNARIA Associazione di Promozione Sociale e I.S.

GRANT AMOUNT: 19.347,00 €
REFERENCE: 527053-4.3-HU-2012-R1

TITLE: Show your life

DESCRIPTION: Egyesek hosts 27 youth workers, young people working in the field of media, and young volunteers interested in the topic from 9 countries (LT, LV, CR, RO, BG, FR, TR, CZ, HU) on a 10-day long youth exchange in October 2012. The event takes place in Hollókő, situated in Nógrád county, one of the poorest regions of Hungary with a high percentage of Roma population. The themes are sharing knowledge, participation & inclusion, creativity & challenge through exploring how media can used in youth work (core activity: a field work project, creating diverse media content together with the local youth). Our aim is to create a possibility to exchange existing knowledge on using media and youth work and to give a possibility to the participants with different experience to create a common pool of knowledge. This is done through field work: for 5 days they organize media-actions for local youth (aged 8-14) where they create media contents together. We also aim to make everybody experience how media can be used in order express opinions and create a free, democratic, tolerant Europe.

Methods: non-formal and experiential learning in our activities (basic media skills workshops, teambuilding, cooperation games, field work), an open event showing the results of the action to the local communities. The field work is carried out in small international groups in order to provide space for maximizing knowledge-sharing, in 2 villages where most of the youth is poor, Roma, and lacks education. The content they create together expresses their point of view on different European values and the themes of the project. It will be shown on our website and on the open event, and as dissemination we will create a toolkit on media & youth work in order that a lot of people can benefit from it.

We have an already existing strong cooperation with our local and international partners. Our goal is to create a high-quality and intensive experience for the participants.

COORDINATOR: Egyesek Ifjúsági Egyesület

GRANT AMOUNT: 24,587,00 €
The “YEP” project, “Youth Employment and Participation”, aims to gather together international young people, youth workers and experts in youth policies, in order to provide an opportunity for debate and build up of a structured dialogue on a transnational basis with reference to youth unemployment. Such an issue is particularly relevant, since the global economic crisis, which is affecting Europe, is striking heavily the young generations, leaving them with limited perspectives for their future. We deem furthermore that the economic exclusion is generating a multilevel marginalization of the younger for what concerns the social and political participation in the EU life.

A five days seminar on the topic will be held in Strasbourg where 42 participants from six different countries will attend several formal and non-formal activities such as: debates and discussion, structured dialogue workshops, sharing of best practices and intercultural activities. A preparatory and an evaluation phase are foreseen to involve in the project the highest number of young stakeholders, to disseminate the project outcomes and to assess the effective quality of the activity implementation. At the end of the seminar a publication will gather the results of the work done by the participants.

This project ambition is to offer an opportunity for debate about the youth unemployment challenge, through networking and exchange of best practices. It is expected to generate new and innovative solutions, potential interventions and recommendations to be addressed to the local, national and international communities. As a cross cutting objective, it aims at the same time to transfer to participants some methods for the set up of a structured and efficient dialogue between youth and the decision makers in charge for youth policies.

COORDINATOR: Association of Local Democracy Agencies

GRANT AMOUNT: 21,664,00 €
TITLE: Planning weekend PlanIt 2012

DESCRIPTION: The Planning weekend PlanIt 2012 will bring together 25 participants from Poland, Latvia, Czech Republic, Hungary, Austria, Slovakia, Turkey, Germany, Portugal, Romania during 5 days. It aims to bring together passionate individuals, who are willing to develop new projects in fields of sustainable development - climate change, global education, cultural diversity and conflict, media awareness, economical and social justice - also tackling poverty, public participation and peaceful activism.

The pursued outputs/objectives are: the development of new projects in the frame of the YIA programme aimed to tackle sustainability issues as a content and tool (linked to social justice, economical fairness and cultural diversity), building partnerships between partner organisations and participants, increasing awareness and international project development about sustainable development.

All our activities are based on principles of non-formal education and intercultural learning as a learning principle. The core of IYNF youth activities is diversity of outdoor education and participatory methods being used in order to foster inclusion and active participation, and encourage healthy and nature-friendly behaviors towards environment. Activity will be organized in sustainable manner, supporting local businesses, providing partly local and organic food, using nature-friendly educational supplies and ensuring sustainable impact.

Participants are expected to actively contribute throughout the activity in leading workshops themselves, thus co-developing the activity, while offering their competencies to others, creating open exchange environment, where knowledge of good project practices in the above mentioned fields is shared and inspiration gained on future cooperation.

We will encourage participants to use learned methods in their life, work and projects, since the participants personally benefit from their involvement, learning, gained experience and skills.

COORDINATOR: INTERNATIONAL YOUNG NATUREFRIENDS

GRANT AMOUNT: 12,384,00 €
ACTION 5 – SUPPORT FOR EUROPEAN COOPERATION IN THE YOUTH FIELD

ACTION 5.1 – MEETINGS OF YOUNG PEOPLE AND THOSE RESPONSIBLE FOR YOUTH POLICY

REFERENCE: 527050-5.1-LU-2012-R1

TITLE: EMPATHY: Europe meets Young Patients

DESCRIPTION: The purpose of this project EMPATHY is to organise a 4-day seminar where young chronic patients will establish an active dialogue with EU-level policy makers, stakeholder groups and patient organisations in order to promote a more holistic approach to addressing young patients' needs in EU decision-making processes. The seminar will consist of a balanced mix of young patients' and policy-makers- and stakeholders-led activities, involving 30 young patients, 7 more experienced patient leaders from EU-level patient organisations, 12 EU decision makers and 16 senior-level representatives of stakeholder organisations from the health, education, social and youth policy areas, thus a total of 70 participants. Through activities like “a day in a young patient’s shoes”, stakeholders, policy makers, and senior patients will be able to improve their understanding of young patients’ needs and challenges they face in their daily lives. Likewise, through a set of policy discussions and “policy-making role-plays” young patients will be able to understand the dynamics of decision-making processes having consequences on their life, and they will be able to influence decisions to be taken in the future through commonly agreed recommendations. The seminar will be held in March 2013. A 6-month preparation period is envisaged, during which a youth steering group made up of 10 young participants and an advisory body of representatives of policy-makers, stakeholder organisations and senior patients will be set up to ensure that the event is: a) as aligned as possible to young patients’ expectations, and; b) centred around key policy issues in the four domains identified for this project. The event report will be accompanied by 3 sets of recommendations, one for policy makers, one for stakeholder groups, and one for patient organisations on how to integrate young patient perspectives into their work, as well as a toolkit for young patients on how to make their voice heard in EU policy making.

COORDINATOR: European Patients’ Forum

GRANT AMOUNT: 33,279,33 €
European Youth and Sport Forum 2012

European Youth and Sport Forum will take place in Cyprus during the EU Presidency and will overlap the Sport Directors meeting. It will last for 6 days and will involve 100 youth from most of the programme countries. The Forum has the overall objective to develop youth engagement in sport and physical activity as a means to bring about political and community change. The main themes of the Forum are volunteering, health and active citizenship.

The Specific Objectives
• To discuss how the youth and sport sectors could support volunteering, health and active citizenship
• To provide a large scale platform on which projects and good practices can be presented, networking can be stimulated and new projects for the future can be set-up.
• To formulate Forum Declaration with political and practical recommendations for stakeholders, both on EU and national level.

The working methods in the execution of the EYSF will be based on the principles of non-formal education. Every activity will be interactive and learner centred, to address the real needs of the participants and put their experience and competence into play. The Programme has been designed using ice-breakers, energizers, informal reflection groups, Future Workshop, traditional sports and World Café. At the same time, the EYSF will be an information-packed event, including input sessions featuring experts who will inspire the debates and provide for a shared knowledge starting point.

COORDINATOR: International Sport and Culture Association

GRANT AMOUNT: 44,607,40 €
"GENERATOR: youth audiovisual forum", hosted by the NISI MASA association, is a trans-national youth seminar to take place during 3 days in Strasbourg, France, bringing together 120 young people (from at least 19 different partner countries) and youth leaders with experts and decision makers. The forum aims to be a stimulus for dialogue between young people and decision makers, and as a motor for concrete action both in terms of new audiovisual initiatives created by youth and for youth, and the development of youth policy in the audiovisual/cultural sector.

Young people face increasing difficulties of unemployment, often feeling that their opportunities are limited and that they lack a proper voice in society. Alongside this, processes of "virtualisation" due to advancing technologies are changing modes of involvement in public life. Taking these two issues as a starting point for debate and strategy-making, "GENERATOR" will empower youth participation in social dialogue, encourage their entrepreneurial spirit and promote their active European citizenship. All of this through audiovisual creativity and trans-European NGO collaborations.

The project will constitute a platform to shape actions that promote youth access to culture (including those from disadvantaged backgrounds) and encourage a proactive attitude of young people with regards to arts, creation and culture - with an emphasis on cinema & audiovisual medias as NISI MASA's centre of interest. To achieve its aims, the forum will include a range of different activities, including: plenary debates, presentations, one-to-one meetings, group workshops, screening/Q&A sessions and a project fair. The results, strategies and conclusions of the forum will be published in the form of an e-book, DVD and official website.

COORDINATOR: NISI MASA

GRANT AMOUNT: 35.553,10 €