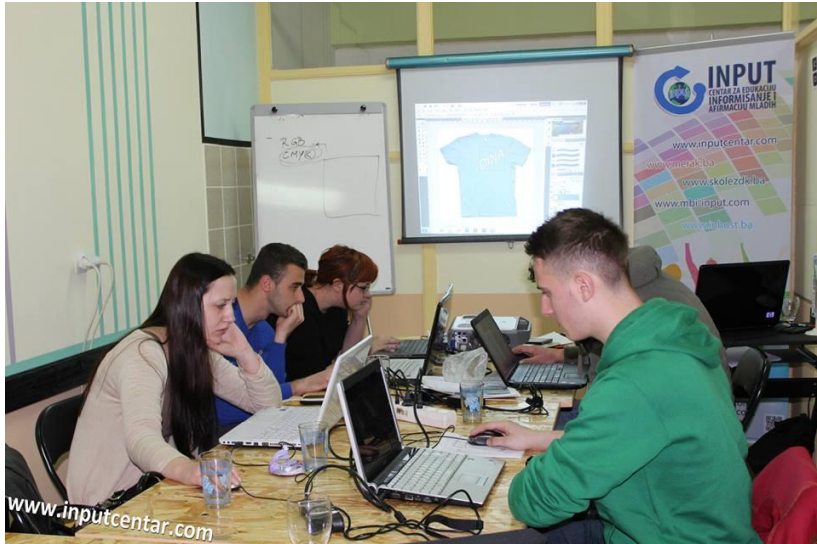


Dear Friends,



In front of you is the **March** edition of monthly informative bulletin of Youth Resource Centre (ORC) Tuzla and Youth Network of Bosnia and Herzegovina which today has 178 organizations and 113 individuals from 74 cities in B&H.

Bulletin is published in Bosnian-Croatian-Serbian and English language. It contains information about the activities of Youth Resource Centre (ORC) Tuzla and Youth Network of Bosnia and Herzegovina, information about monthly activities of youth organizations and groups-member groups of this network, their plans for the

coming period, and other useful information (about donors, scholarships, grants, invitations for attending seminars and conferences, etc..).

If you want to be on the mailing list for the next editions of the monthly informative bulletin or if you have questions or suggestions, contact us. You can find the monthly informative bulletin and archive of former editions on the web site of Bosnia and Herzegovina Youth Network on the web site of Bosnia and Herzegovina Youth Network:

<http://www.omladina-bih.net>

Enjoy your reading!!

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ACTIVITIES OF ORC/HCA IN MARCH 2015.

✚ Cross-border citizen's network for peace, reconciliation & human security in Balkan

As a part of the project activities in this regional project, Youth resource center (ORC) Tuzla is continuing to implement activities. We are preparing new chronicles topic is "Bosnia and Herzegovina and terrorism – influence and increase of violence in Europe and B&H on safety". In addition, we are preparing new research. More regarding these activities can be found in our next bulletins as well as on: www.omladina-bih.net



Project Cross-border citizens' network for peace, inter-communal reconciliation & human security in Balkan" is implemented by hCa Istanbul, Turkey, and the partners are: SeConS – Development Initiative Group Belgrade, Serbia; Association for democratic prosperity ZID Podgorica, Monte Negro; Institute for regional and international studies Sofia, Bulgaria; Center for research, documentation and publication Pristine, Kosovo and Youth Resource Center Tuzla Bosnia and Herzegovina. Project is supported by European Union.

✚ Training „Public advocacy“ Jahorina

As a part of TACSO B&H support to the network initiatives, TACSO B&H in cooperation with ORC Tuzla is organizing two day training "Public advocacy" for the youth organizations members of the Youth network B&H.

As a part of this support TACSO B&H will provide mentorship support for building concrete advocacy actions to the training participants. Training will take place on Jahorina – Hotel Termag from 29th till 30th April 2015.

This training is for the members of the youth network B&H which are coming from following places: Banovici, Bosanska Krupa, Novi Grad, Breza, Celinac, Dobož Istok, Jajce, Milici, Novi Travnik, Posusje, Rudo, Skelani, Stjepan Polje. If there is not enough applications from these places we will take in consideration participants from smaller B&H places. During March we have sent out invitation to the network members from these places and we have being conducting participant's selection.

✚ ORC TUZLA YOUTH GROUP

► Media and reporting on victims of sexual violence committed in armed conflict

This event was organized on 10th March 2015 on Burch University in Sarajevo. Focus was on work with group of people made of different age and media in order to encourage them to think more about people who have suffered violence during war times in B&H.

Focus group has listened to the statements of women and man who have endured sexual violence. There is little or no discussions regarding this topic and these people are neglected, and even after 20 years they have



consequences. Nobody could stay indifferent to their testimonies.

At the event were around 20 young people, psychologists and media. Aim of the activity was to encourage thinking about victims of sexual violence and give more attention in media and in real life. At this event was the member of the youth group **Lejla Zonic**.

► 7th youth employment forum - YEP

Seventh youth employment forum in B&H was organized on 12th March. Topic and name of the forum was “Guaranties for young people” as well as discussion regarding youth issues in B&H. At the forum was a panel regarding mechanisms for the support integration on the labor market, as well what every employer needs. We have the opportunity to see different models from practice such are: prequalification’s, self-employment and social entrepreneurship. Discussion was made on can we do something better for young people in B&H, do this needs to be efficient prequalification’s and expert practice or do we need to provide better support in self-employment, etc.



Youth group at the forum were presented by **Lejla Zonic** and **Slobodan Blagovcanin**.

► MICROSOFT „Opportunity for youth and academic community”



Microsoft has arrived in Tuzla 11. 03. 2015 to present programs that are offered for youth and the academic community. The event was organized in the Economic Faculty in front of more than 200 students and high school students. At the beginning of the presentation were presented active young people from Tuzla who have done much for the local community. After active young people, Microsoft talked about the opportunities that young people are provided to this company - and anywhere else if activated.

Exhibitors at the event, among others, were also members of our group **Zlatko Bedzetovic** and **free Blagovcanin**.

► Seminar „ Cooperation of parents and schools”

In the offices of the Institute for the education of persons with psychological and physical development in Tuzla, on 17th March 2015, was organized a seminar on "Cooperation between parents and schools" organized by the Society of United civil action "Rainbow". Method "Mind maps" participants recognized the need and determine priorities. Some of the identified needs related to: initiation of amendments to the Law on Vocational Rehabilitation and the Law on Employment of Persons with Disabilities, better administration, reduction in the price of bus tickets for parents and children with disabilities, increasing the child allowance.



The seminar was attended by our member **Ermin Hadzikadunic**.

► Dialogue for future

In Tuzla (Youth house) on 17th March 2015 a workshop was organized as a part of the project "Dialogue for the Future". The project lasts for 18 months and one of the central activities of the project are forum of youngsters that make dynamic youth network divided in four cities: Tuzla, Sarajevo, Banja Luka and Mostar, consisting of over 120 young people aged 14-29 years.

The participants were divided into three thematic workshops: Human rights, peace, and development, Environment and Gender and vulnerable groups.

Members of the Youth Resource Centre: Merita Sokoli, Lejla Zonic, Diana Osmanovic, Haris Selmanovic and Adi Selman together with 20 other young people participated on the Forum in Tuzla.

The project aims to create a space for dialogue, which will enable the process of peace throughout the country, to promote coexistence and intercultural understanding through education and culture, with an emphasis on youth.



► Forum of responsibility



Responsibility Forum is interactive activity. Interactive method of participation includes the participation of all parties, and therefore the government representatives and representatives of citizens. At this activity was Bedzetovic Zlatko, a leader of the forum Haris Selmanovic, both are members of the ORC Youth Group. Interested citizens are asking questions and looking for answers to questions from representatives of political parties.

The program was organized at the local community Brcanska Malta, on Saturday 14th March 2015 at 12:00 am. The focus of the forum was the amendment of the electoral law introducing time

limits and sanctions for the formation of the government, the forum also involved discussion of contempt campaign promises.

► High school student's day II

24th March 2015 TK Network of Student Council organized a day of high school students II. As part of this day workshops were organized on the themes of activism, stereotypes and prejudices, photos, history and so on. The workshops were held in 14 secondary schools in the city of Tuzla. Each workshop was attended by two students from a secondary school.

The workshops called "Activator" in Central Mining School led by Youth Resource Youth Group Centre Hawks Merita and Muharem Gashi, a workshop on stereotypes and prejudices in Behram-Bey madrasah had been managed Blagovčanin.



It is noteworthy that the "Day of high school students II", is a project of the Network of Councils of Tuzla Canton, who believes that one day a year, Tuzla high school students is not sufficient to present their quality, gain new knowledge and skills, and talk about their problems and needs.

► „RESTART PEACE“, KOPAONIK SERBIA

Between 4th and 12th March 2015, Educational Center Krusevac (ECK) organized an international training titled "Restart Peace". This training was attended by 30 young activists from Bosnia and Herzegovina, Serbia, Albania, Bulgaria, Macedonia, Montenegro, Cyprus, Turkey, Greece and Croatian. The aim of this training was to empower young people and their motivation for further work with young people, through the promotion of peace and conflict resolution between countries participating in the training.



Participants had the opportunity to learn about the issues and cultures of other countries, to work on the creation of joint projects, get acquainted with methods of Forum Theatre and Live Library. One of the most interesting parts of this training was the Living Library, where books were discriminated against people who are talking about true life stories of others. The representative of our group was a member of the Youth Group Youth Resource Center Tuzla **Sokoli Merita**.

✚ REGULAR ACTIVITIES:

During March we have worked on maintaining and development of communication and coordination in Youth network B&H. (www.omladina-bih.net). Within this we have worked daily on the mailing list of the network (posta@omladina-bih.net), and on other addresses in B&H and region, we have distributed information of interest to youth and youth activism in B&H (calls for workshops, seminars, conferences, calls for project applications, jobs, scholarships, other activities). We have maintained and updated on regular basis the information on our web page www.omladina-bih.net. Made correspondation with the organizations and individuals interested in work of the network, replied on the questionnaires related to certain activities, educations and other information related to activism of youth in B&H.

PLANS OF HCA/ORC TUZLA FOR APRIL 2015

- Co-organizing training “Public advocacy”, as a part of TASCOS B&H support to the network initiatives, TASCOS B&H in cooperation with ORC Tuzla is organizing two day training for youth organizations members of the youth network B&H.
- Conducting regular activities through the youth network B&H
- Preparation for the continuation of the activities part of the project “Cross-border citizens’ network for peace, inter-communal reconciliation & human security in Balkan”
- Preparation for the continuation of the activities part of the (STEP 7) ALF B&H
- Realization of the project “Date the state”, ORC Tuzla youth group

More information at our web page: www.omladina-bih.net

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+ CONCERTS

BZK "Preporod" on 28th organized its traditional night of sevdalinaka and ilahije on which "preporod" participated also choirs of ilahije and kaside from many other cities in Tuzla canton. KUD Mladost at the beginning of March has organized a concert on which visitors could hear folk songs, games and dance as well as young amateur singer from the municipality Kladanj. This concert had humanitarian character.

+ EXIBITION

As a support to female initiative of peace and solidarity in B&H from 3rd to 10th March in Kladanj restaurant "Metro" was an exhibition: „portraits of peace makers". Exhibition in chronologic order represents women who have won Nobel Prize for peace. Organizer Ernada Avdibegovic presenting organization youth circle Kladanj has pointed out that with this exhibition we want to point out contribution of women in building peace and necessity of engaging all parts of society in building better future.



+ „NO HATE“ SEMINAR FOR IMAMS IN KLADANJ



11th march 2015 in premises of Islamic society Kladanj there was a seminar for all imams in municipality Kladanj. Seminar was on "fighting hate speech". Ernada Avdibegovic trainer from this area has spoken about "No hate speech" campaign, ways of treating and processing hate speech, and the role of the coalition: "Super citizens". Imams have taken on responsibility to follow this issue in their regions, will inform about it, and will suppress hate speech in an appropriate way.

"No Hate Speech" campaign is part of a campaign launched by the Council of Europe 2012 carried out by a number of organizations and activists across the member states of the Council of Europe. The campaign is aimed at combating all forms of hate speech, with special reference to the hate speech that appears on social networks.

Organizations that have gathered around the coalition: "Super citizens" invite all creators of social reality to contribute. Support the organization of this seminar has been given by the new chief imam MIZ Kladanj Asim ef. Esmic.



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✚ Representatives of the youth council Tomislavgrad have been in Mostar on Erasmus plus Info day

Organized by the commission for the coordination of youth issues under the council of ministries B&H and center for youth development PRONI Brcko District, in Mostar was organized in OKC Abrasevic Erasmus plus info day on 24th march 2015. Aim was to inform young people about possibilities of the Erasmus plus, at this presentation ere representatives of the youth council municipality Tomislavgrad.



Through interactive work at the information day they had the opportunity to become familiar with the basic components of the program, best practices from previous programs, the opportunities in the contact point.

This was also an opportunity to meet with work of young people from Bosnia and Herzegovina

✚ ERASMUS+ - ABOUT THE PROGRAM



Erasmus + new program of the EU for education, training, youth and sport for the period 2014-2020. Erasmus + includes all European and international programs and initiatives of the EU in the area of education, training, youth and sport.

Erasmus+ will replace seven existing programs: lifelong learning program (with sub programs Erasmus, Leonardo da Vinci, Comenius and Grundtvig), young in action and five sub programs of international cooperation (Erasmus Mundus, Tempus, Alfa, Edulink and cooperation program with industrialized countries and territories)

The program for the first time introduces support in the field of sports. Erasmus + is aimed at strengthening the skills and employability of European citizens as well as the improvement of education, training and work in the field of youth and sports.

More at: www.vijecemladih-tg.com

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Organization “Youth center – Jajce” for a series of year in its work has an active international sector. As a part of this international sector, OC has accreditation of EU commission enabling us to send and receive volunteers from countries of EU (Germany, Poland, Italy, France, Belgium,...)

EVS (European Voluntary Service) was formerly under the Youth in Action, and now is within the ERASMUS +. More at the link:

<http://www.codjajce.com/index.php/hr/oc-projekti/volonterski-programi/evropski-volonterski-servis-evs>

Another volunteer service through which OC receives volunteers is Weltwaerts program. It is a program of the German government through which every year we receive one volunteer for a year. More at the link:

<http://www.codjajce.com/index.php/hr/oc-projekti/volonterski-programi/weltwaerts-program>

Currently in OC-in we have three volunteers, two EVS volunteers and one WW volunteers. EVS volunteers coming from Polish and French (Marlena Orłowska and Elodie Kenneybrew), while us via WW from Germany comes Tillman Haseloff. They are currently working on various projects within the OC.

Marlena works in a local newspaper SENSOR which is a project of the Youth Center (www.senzor24info).

Elodie working on the project Youth tourism, which is also the project of the Youth Centre - Jajce (www.visitjajce.com).

Tillman is the assistant of the program part of the Youth Centre where he teaches German language course, children creative workshops, drawing school, English language course for children ...

In addition to voluntary service organizations, youth center is active in the field of youth exchange (every year we are partners in the Youth Gathering in Magdeburg where they bring together 40 young people from 4 countries), then we are partners in the Euro camp-in, as in many Work camp -This.

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✚ INPUT members have visited public institution “Home for elder persons” Zenica on 8th March

For the occasion of 8th march members of INPUT have visited public institution “Home for elder persons” Zenica. Young people from INPUT with music program have putted smile on the faces of old people they made them feel special. This now is third year in a row in which young people from INPUT have visited this institution and have become recognizable among older persons living in this institution.

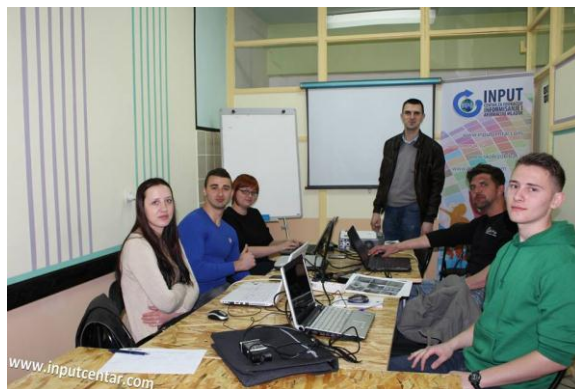


✚ GRAPHIC DESIGN

On Saturday, 28th March 2015 a course was organized - Graphic design which is intended for young people (high school students, students and unemployed youth), where the participants met with: the basic principles of graphic design, using fonts and use of color, the technical parameters of the press, Adobe Photoshop. The participants gained new knowledge. Follow INPUT operations on:

<https://www.facebook.com/udruzenje.input?fref=ts> and web page www.inputcentar.com

We are preparing a lot more educations, workshops and activities for you





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First conference women with disabilities
WOMEN WITH DISABILITIES IN A GLOBAL WOMEN MOVEMENT IN B&H

Humanitarian organization “Partner” with the support of TACSO B&H project in B&H – support to network initiatives, coalitions, alliances and platforms of civil society has organized first conference of women with disabilities “Women with disabilities in global women movement in B&H”, organized on 6th march 2015 in Banja Luka.

Women with disabilities during 2013 and 2014 have organized two forums on the B&H level and on both they have determined that in comparison with other women organization, organization of women with disabilities are still not enough accepted as equal and mostly are treated as the users of women organizations. Attitude expressed by other women organization is more merciful than based on human rights.



In order to influence to change this situation and so women with disabilities can become equal members of female movement in B&H we have organized this conference. Conference participants were women with disabilities from B&H, representatives of organization for female human rights and B&H institutions and their entities.



The main objective of the Conference is pointing to questions of double discrimination of women with disabilities, gender-based and on the basis of disability, and encouraging dialogue and cooperation between key actors and carriers of changes: Network of Women with Disabilities, Women's Network, other women's organizations, responsible institutions, gender centers and prominent activist.

"The key is us, it is crucial to our work, but also other women who have already launched various actions and that in the previous ten-year period still managed to fight for gender specific action plans, laws on gender equality, different strategies and action plans to implement these strategies. An important activity, and other women activists from other NGOs. And all along we should put pressure on government organizations, gender centers, and the Gender Equality Agency and line ministries "; said Vera Boskovic, keynote speaker who presented the current efforts of women with disabilities, through workshops and forums, influencing the better situation of women with disabilities in Bosnia and Herzegovina.



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+ PEACE ACADEMY FOR YOUNG WOMEN

Our volunteer Jovanka Radovanovic is part of the peace academy for young women in the organization and implementation of the project Kvinna till Kvinna financed by the Swedish postage lottery.

As a participant of the first module of peace academy, Jovanka has gone through basic concepts and theory of conflict analysis, conflict resolution and peace building, basic advocacy skills as well as negotiation. Along with young women from whole B&H, she has opened many questions regarding peace building and has considered ideas for the mutual implementation of small projects regarding peace building.



Peace academy for young women aims to empower women in areas: managing conflicts and their resolution, leadership advocacy and communication. Academy is focusing on strengthening skills of leadership, conflict resolution, advocacy and development of communication of young women, and strengthening their abilities to influence on policy creators on local and international level in order to make positive changes. Academy offer unique training program for young women on Balkan and Caucasus which will empower them to take active roles in their communities. Beside this, mentorship program in side of the academy will provide support and guidelines for selected participants to implement small financially supported projects. Foundation Kvinna till Kvinna offers support to women in conflict areas in order to increase empower and influence of women. It supports more than 130 female organizations in their work with women rights and peace building. They cooperate with women organizations which are devoted and passionate when it comes to female rights, security and peace.

+ SCHOOL OF LGBT RIGHTS

Sarajevo open center and B.U.K.A (Banja Luka association of quire activists) have organized LGBYT School of human rights in Sarajevo from 6th till 8th march. Education is for students and graduated law students for 15 participants, among which was our member Irfan Imamovic law graduate.

Aim of this education was to inform future law graduates with LGBT human rights using the language of their profession. School program was consisted from theory lecturers and practical ax maples given by the domestic and international experts dealing in protection of human rights. Some of topics were: LGBT terminology, regional and domestic legal frame of LGBT human rights protection, discrimination based on sexual orientation and gender identity, case studies, hate crimes, hate speech.



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✚ ACTIVITIES OF THE H.O. “MERHAMET” DOBOJ IN MARCH 2015

- „VIOLETA“ Grude donated to HO “Merhamet” child dippers and adult dippers
- Coalition “Tolerant and positive from Doboj” which members is HO “Merhamet” Doboj has decided to initiate meeting with relative actors in community (police, center for social work, schools) in order to consider problem of violence/incident caused by hate, which are out of late emerging in Doboj, with recognizable signature of the football club fans.
- “Merhamet” Doboj President Avdic Faketa has participated on public debate “Meaning of monitoring and evaluation of anticorruption politics and activities by the civil society” organized by the network “ACCORD” and “CRCD” B&H in hotel Integra Doboj.



- “Merhamet” Doboj volunteers Amra Misic and Suzana Ristic have participated on a public debate: **‘Health – priorities in prevention and fighting against corruption with special review on mechanisms of fighting and protection from corruption’**, organized by the “CRCD” B&H in hotel Integra in Doboj



- “Merhamet” Doboj President Avdic Faketa has participate on informative meeting on ways of applying and possibilities offering Call for grants for empowering women in PRO –Future communities organized in the city hall Doboj on 26th March 2015.
- Distribution of humanitarian aid for the members of “Merhamet” Doboj

Everyday activities of “Merhamet” Doboj during March were:

- Tracking public project calls,
- Providing information to old persons,
- Ambulance work



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✚ CREATIVITY, HUMANITY AND LEARNING HAVE BEEN THE KEY POINTS IN MARCH IN THE ORGANIZATION NEW VISION

Creative young visionaries marked the month of March with numerous activities. During the month of March in Novi Travnik was organized blood donation, and our volunteers responded to this call 12 of them participated in the mission of humanity, and for most it was the first time they participated in action.

That our volunteers are creative and responsible was show at the workshop on 9th March the day when our members have staged an interesting surprise for all of our volunteers. Beautiful hanging out with discussion about the position of women in B&H society, and the challenges faced by modern women through interesting quotes and messages are only part of the atmosphere of the workshop.

During the month of March was realized workshop on the theme "Youth participation in local community", and workshop on team building. During the month of April, will be new workshops and numerous activities both through projects and planned monthly work.

For the first time we have included Novi Travnik on an interactive map of "Earth Hour", and our invitation to his home in an hour off lights numerous members. Certainly the month of March was an opportunity that some of our members have participated on trainings, seminars and conferences, a New Vision Youth Association became the official coordinator for "Let *s do it" campaign in the municipality of Novi Travnik.

We are facing new tasks and meetings and we invite you to join us.



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✚ CREATIVE WORKSHOPS

Non-formal education and learning through games, as well as socialization is an important part of creative workshops. Youth organization Svitac in March has made new schedule, all activities are taking place on every day basis. Participants are divided in to two groups, age 4-7 each day from 11:00 to 13:00, and age 8= from 13:00 to 15:30 hours. This month younger group has made numbers 1-19, light colors, different drawings, recognizing colors, reading stories, listening, and afterwards a small discussion, appropriate for their age. Afternoon group has worked on caterpillars on paper, drawing ecological houses, also twice per week they had English basics through different drawings and posters. Workshops are taking place in Youth center Brcko district. Workshop coordinator is Sanja Radovanovic with the assistance of Weltwaerts international volunteers Tamara Wonner and Nicolas Zdun from Germany and John Streatfield from Great Britain. Currently there are 45 participants.



✚ LANGUAGE WORKSHOPS

Courses in English and German continued in January, 30 students currently enrolled in these courses are divided into three groups: (1 Starter, Starter 2 for children and adults and the middle one for children). Each group has two lessons a week for an hour and a half, and the classes are held in the premises of the Youth organizations Svitac and Youth Centre Brcko District. Age of students is from 8 to 35 years.

► **English language workshop „I love English”**

Participants practiced speech and non-formal communication; they have practiced orders in the restaurant or in the store. Coordinator of the workshop is EVS international volunteer from the UK, John Streatfield.

Workshops are held on Mondays and Wednesdays from 19:00-20:30 in the Youth Center Brcko District. There are currently 20 participants, ages 15+.

► **WHATS UP?! (SPRECHEN-THEMEN-ARGUMENTIEREN) – German language workshops**

Workshops are really popular since they are free of charge, at the same time are well planned and for those who really want to learn are of great benefit. Currently there are 20 pupils age 18+. Workshops are taking place in Youth center on Monday and Wednesday from 20:00 till 21:00 hours. Workshop coordinators are international volunteers from Germany Nicolas Zdun and Tamara Wonner.



✚ **14th till 22nd March – WEEK AGAINST RACISM**

Youth organization Svitas on 19th and 20th March has organized creative and music workshops in regards of celebrating week against racism named “One world-one love”. Workshop were prepared and realized by EVS, weltwärts and local volunteers Stephanie Burland, Tamara Wonner, Nicolas Zdun, John Streatfield, Sanja Radovanovic i Adin Midzic. At workshop was 15 participants of different ethnic background, age 9 to 12.

Before workshops volunteers explained to participants why this event is celebrated each year in world and have encouraged children to speak up their mind regarding the topic in an active discussion.

On 19th March creative workshop took place, on which participants with the help and support of local and international volunteers have made their own instruments (shakers) from recycled plastic bottles which they have decorated using paper, feather, etc.

These instruments were important for the other part



of the project – music workshop which took place on 20th March.

EVS Volunteers John Streatfield has written lines on English for the song "People are people" on the first part of music workshop participants have learned lyrics, their meaning and have practiced speech with local volunteers. At the end of the workshop participants have been placed in a circle and have performed this song on English language, using shakers made on creative workshop day earlier. EVS Volunteers John Streatfield was singing with participants, and local volunteer Adin Midzic has played a guitar

At the end of the workshop, all participants got together to do a billboard in color which were in their hand prints. In this way they wanted to show that all men are equal; regardless of the size and color - all forms of the same hand.



✚ SPORT WORKSHOPS

Sports workshops are held three times a week in the Youth Center Brcko District. The number of participants varies up to 40, ages 6+. Some of the activities are football, the game "Dodge ball", volleyball, freezes. etc. Participants, especially the boys are delighted sports workshops, so you can always find extra fun with the ball or just enjoying the team games. Coordinator of sports workshops Nicolas Zdun, international volunteer from Germany.

✚ MUSIC WORKSHOPS

► Guitar workshops

In March participants have continued work on old and new exercises, duets, etudes and compositions.

► Samba workshops

Samba workshops had somewhat decreased number of participants in February comparing to previous month because of the holidays. In next period we are planning to advertise this workshop and gather larger number of participants.

► Hip-Hop workshops

After a short break and holiday workshops were less visited. At the workshops, in addition to listening to artists from the world of Hip-Hop and writing verses discussed the possibilities for recording material prepared in workshops.

For April we are planning continuation of all regular activities of the youth organization Svitac.

DONORS/CALLS/INVITATIONS

1. CITIES ALLIANCE CALLS PROPOSALS FOR 2015 CATALYTIC FUND

The Cities Alliance invites proposals promoting innovation and catalytic impact to stimulate transformational change in cities, for its 2015 Catalytic Fund with the theme “Migration and the Inclusive City”. Through this call, the Cities Alliance seeks innovation in policy responses and practical approaches that increase spatial, social and economic inclusion by also extending to migrants the rights to the city: access to land, services, opportunity, as well as to an urban citizenship. Its over-arching objectives are to – strengthen and promote the role of cities in poverty reduction, and in sustainable development; capture and strengthen the synergies between and among members and partners; and improve the quality of urban development cooperation and lending. The Cities Alliance is a global partnership for poverty reduction and the promotion of cities in sustainable development. It is a partnership of bi-lateral and multi-lateral development agencies, governments, non-governmental organizations and the political heads of the international associations of local authorities.

Grant request can be made in between US\$50,000 and US \$200,000. Cities Alliance will cover up to 80 per cent of the total cash requirements for the project. The remaining balance must be contributed in cash by the recipient organization, the sponsoring organization and/or other partners and sources. If a concept note is approved for further processing, applicants must provide proof of co-financing

Focus areas

1. **Live:** Migrants’ access to basic urban services, livelihoods and social protection
2. **Work:** The access, integration and role of migrants in the city labor market and local economy
3. **Connect:** Social integration and inclusion of migrants in the city
4. **Participate:** Migrants’ inclusion into city planning and local decision-making processes

Eligibility Criteria

- Proposed projects must meet the objectives of the chosen theme and Catalytic Fund.
- Proposals can focus on international and/or internal migration, but all proposals should demonstrate clear attention to the issue of gender equality.
- Proposed projects must be sponsored by at least one Cities Alliance Member, multiple sponsors are highly encouraged.

Application Procedure

- Download Concept Note Template of Cities Alliance.
- Complete the concept note in one of the following languages – English, French or Spanish.
- Attach all the documents requested in the concept note template.
- Submit the concept note and support documents via e-mail by the deadline.

Application deadline is 8th May 2015.

More information at:

<http://www.mreza-mira.net/16143-cities-alliance-calls-proposals-for-2015-catalytic-fund/#sthash.yo4DQkCj.dpuf>

2. NIWANO PEACE FOUNDATION ACCEPTING APPLICATIONS FOR 2015 FIRST GRANT CYCLE

The Niwano Peace Foundation is accepting proposals for 2015 first grant cycle from 15 March 2015 on two different categories – Social activities based on a religious spirit, and Grass-roots activities deployed in a local community. The Foundation promotes interreligious understanding and cooperation. It also strives to strengthen cooperation among people actively making continuing efforts, in a religious spirit, to achieve a peaceful society.

A total of 10 million yen will be allotted for grants in 2015. The number of successful applicants will be decided in accord with the merits of the applications. The maximum amount for Activity Grants 1,000,000 yen. Grants are to cover one year and are made in one lump sum. Grant applications will be received twice in the year, and recipients will be determined by the screening committee at the end of June and the end of September 2015.

Categories

1. **Social activities based on a religious spirit:** Activities for individual and community welfare and peace, both physical and spiritual, based on a religious spirit that emerges from reverence for God, Buddha, or other universal spiritual reality. In particular, peace-making activities related to education, volunteer work, development cooperation, environmental protection, human rights or social problems of an aging society done in a spirit of religious tolerance which transcends religious boundaries.
2. **Grass-roots activities deployed in a local community:** Activities to vitalize local communities through interdisciplinary workshops and meetings with particular emphasis on collaboration by groups and individuals from diverse organizations and religious groups. It is expected that local communities will come up with some new values with an independent mind.

Eligibility Criteria

- Applicant can be an individual or an organization.
- Nationality is not a criterion for eligibility.
- Any group which has been in continuous existence for a reasonable length of time is eligible to apply, whether or not it is legally incorporated.

Application Procedure

- Write to the Niwano Peace Foundation for an application form. Include name, address, occupation (name of organization/institute, etc.), telephone and fax numbers, and E-mail address (if you have one).
- Return the completed application form in hard copy by mail to the Foundation only after making sure that all details have been filled in appropriately. Do not include any additional sheets of papers not specifically requested. Applications by e-mail, fax or delivered in person will not be accepted.

For more information visit [Niwano Call 2015](#)

Deadline: 30th April 2015.

More info at:

<http://www.fundsforngos.org/latest-funds-for-ngos/niwano-peace-foundation-accepting-applications-for-2015-first-grant-cycle/>

3. JOINT CALL FOR INTERNATIONAL COLLABORATIVE PROJECTS IN THE DANUBE REGION IN 2015 FOR CO-FINANCING OF PROJECTS FROM THE EUREKA PROGRAM

Type: grant

Countries: Croatia, Serbia, B&H, Monte Negro

Topic/Sector: Entrepreneurship

Opening date: 9th March.2015.

Deadline for application: 30th April 2015.

Amount €: 197.368

Applicants: Small and middle companies

EUREKA is a program to encourage SMEs to collaborate with international partners in launching research and development activities.

Program aims:

- Encourage companies to invest in research and development activities and thus strengthen their innovation capacity
- Encourage international cooperation of entrepreneurs and scientific research organizations
- Create the foundation for the international marketing

The basic criteria for projects and consortium:

- The consortium should include at least two unrelated companies that want to spend a collaborative project from at least two countries participating in the call,
- The proposed projects should be research and development character with the aim of creating new, innovative products, services or processes,
- Project can be from any sectorial or technological areas,
- The project must have civilian applications,
- The project must be balanced (one partner must bear more than 75% of project costs),
- Proposed duration of project activities is between 12 and 36 months.

Additional partners from EUREKA countries and third countries outside the Danube region can participate in a project consortium on the condition that they ensure the financing of its project share.

Program will finance the following **groups of costs:**

- Development of gross salary,
- Development equipment and small inventory,
- Costs of development services,
- Development costs of travel,
- Other development costs.

The total amount of available grants is **1.5 million kuna**. The maximum amount possible of a grant awarded is EUR 150,000. Co-financing rate is up to 50% of total eligible project costs. Project duration is limited to a maximum of **36 months**.

If u need any additional information please contact info@eu-projekti.com

4. NED GRANTS TO NGOS ADVANCING & STRENGTHENING DEMOCRATIC INSTITUTIONS

The National Endowment for Democracy (NED) invites civic organizations, associations, independent media, and other similar non-government organizations around the world to apply for 2015 grant funding. NED yearly funds hundreds of projects of organizations that are working to advance democratic goals and strengthen democratic institutions. The foundation provides more than 1000 grants per year to NGOs promoting democracy in more than 90 countries. Funding decisions are made on a quarterly basis by the NED Board of Directors. Grant amounts vary depending on the size and scope of the projects, but the average grant lasts 12 months and is around \$50,000.

Regions:

1. Africa
2. Asia
3. Middle and Eastern Europe
4. Euro Asia
5. Latin America & Caribbean
6. Middle east & North Africa

Focus Areas

- Promote and defend human rights and the rule of law
- Support freedom of information and independent media
- Strengthen democratic ideas and values
- Promote accountability and transparency
- Strengthen civil society organizations
- Strengthen democratic political processes and institutions
- Promote civic education
- Support democratic conflict resolution
- Promote freedom of association
- Strengthen a broad-based market economy

Eligibility Criteria

- Applicants can be civic organizations, associations, independent media, and other similar non-government organizations.
- Applicant organizations should be working in diverse environments including newly established democracies, semi-authoritarian countries, highly repressive societies and countries undergoing democratic transitions.
- Individuals, governmental bodies, or state-supported institutions such as public universities are not eligible for the fund.

Application Procedure

- Application can be made via online application system, email or regular mail to reach the application materials by the deadline.
- Complete application materials include – proposal cover sheet, proposal narrative, interim assessment, proposal budget and registration documents (if applicable).
- Non-registered organizations should clearly mention the reason behind it not being registered and the status of any pending applications for registration.

Deadline: 19th June 2015. For more info please visit [APPLICATIONS for NED](#).

Source: <http://www.fundsforngos.org/latest-funds-for-ngos/ned-grants-to-ngos-advancing-strengthening-democratic-institutions/>

5. PUBLIC CALL FOR APPLICATIONS OF BUSINESS IDEAS OF YOUNG PEOPLE

PUBLIC CALL

For application of business ideas by young people and participation at the training for making business plan.

We invite young people from the municipalities of Srebrenica, Bratunac, Milici, Vlasenica and Zvornik, aged 18-35 years to participate in the first cycle of training for the development of a business plan, with advisory support from the Business Counseling Association "Friends of Srebrenica" making a business plan and assessment of their business idea. Training participants will have the opportunity to present their business ideas to the IV Regional Fair of business ideas which will be held on 28th May in Srebrenica.

For business ideas presented at the Fair provided the grant and interest-free loan up to three years, as well as prizes.

Deadline for submission of ideas is 17th April

More info at: <http://www.mreza-mira.net/16388-javni-poziv-za-prijavu-poslovnih-ideja-mladih/#sthash.TuwWwgF2.dpuf>

Dear friends,

If you are interested in posting: your invitations for common activities and cooperation; information about the activities; tenders for jobs; appeals for help or support; public announcements and all other non-commercial advertisements; in the monthly bulletin of Bosnia and Herzegovina Youth Network and Youth Resource Centre (ORC) Tuzla, you can contact us at one of the addresses below..

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