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Dear friends,

We present you the June issue of monthly informative bulletin of Youth Resource Centre (ORC) Tuzla and Youth Network of Bosnia and Herzegovina, which, at this moment, gathers **181** organizations and **115** individuals from **75** cities/municipalities/places in BIH.

Bulletin is published in Bosnian-Serbian-Croatian and English language.

It contains information about the work of Youth Resource Centre (ORC) Tuzla, monthly activities of youth organizations, non-formal groups and individuals – members of Youth Network of BIH, their plans for future period and other useful information intended for young people and NGO sector (donor calls for projects, conferences, seminars, scholarships and etc.).

If you want to be on our mailing list for next issues of monthly informative bulletin, or if you have any questions or suggestions, contact us. The monthly issue can be found, together with former editions, on the webpage of Youth Network of BIH:

www.omladina-bih.net



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ORC/HCA ACTIVITIES IN JUNE, 2016



DIVIDED PAST JOINT FUTURE

Partnership project – “Divided past – joint future”

Youth Resource Centre Tuzla conducts a research about perception and behaviour of different actors in the process of building peace and reconciliation in the Western Balkans, as part of the IPA project "Divided Past Joint Future". The purpose of this project is to build the infrastructure for an effective process of reconciliation in the Western Balkans and Turkey. The research part of the project requires participation of citizens, private, civil society and public sectors in a series of focus groups, in which they can offer their views, experiences and opinions on the process of reconciliation in (Bosnia and Herzegovina), as well as in the region. Within that, we completed the organization of focus groups in June, 3 in Brčko District and 4 in Sarajevo, in order to discuss various issues related to the reconciliation process - from the very meaning of reconciliation for society, assessment of the role of various social sectors in the process, to the ways in which reconciliation can be strengthened. Focus groups were organized in Brčko District BIH and Sarajevo.

More information about activities in future period can be found on our website: www.omladina-bih.net, bulletins and our mailing lists.

Conference: Civil Society for Government Accountability

The conference, entitled "**Civil Society for Government Accountability**" was held on June, 28, 2016 in Sarajevo. It was organized by *Southeast Europe Leadership for Development and Integrity (SELDI)*, in cooperation with the Centre for Investigative Reporting (CIN) and local partner organizations, with the support of *DG NEAR* and *Civil Society Facility (CSF)* and the *European Union (EU)*. The conference was attended by around 30 participants, among which were representatives of ORC Tuzla, *Damir Krnjić* and *Slobodan Blagovčanin*.

Comprehensive survey on public attitudes and the view on corruption was introduced at the conference. The research was conducted in 8 countries of Western Balkans and Turkey. The study showed a devastating



situation of our country, as Bosnia and Herzegovina held better position in the majority of researches only from Albania and Macedonia.

Two panel discussions were also held, with participation of: *Sead Lisak*, Director of the Agency for prevention of corruption and coordination of the fight against corruption; *Eldin Karić*, Director of ACCOUNT; *Prof. Mladen Mirosavljević*, Banja Luka College; *Aleksandra Martinović*, vice president of the Board of Directors of Transparency International BiH; *Prof. Nerzuk Ćurak*, Faculty of Political Science; *Zoran Ivančić*, director of the Centre for Public Interests - CPI; *Garret Tankosić-Kelly*, SEE Changhe Net; *Leila Bičakčić*, Director of CIN; *Mervan Miraščija*, Program Manager Open Society Fund BiH, *Jasna Panjeta*, Program Manager, Regional Anti-Corruption Initiative RAI.

It was concluded that the role of institutions, civil society and media in the fight against corruption is inseparable from the very own citizens' perceptions of corruption and their access to it. Without mutual multidisciplinary struggle, which is continuous and long process, there is no success.

Youth Group of ORC Tuzla

Civil Graduation

CPI Foundation, in cooperation with the Youth Resource Centre Tuzla, organized an educational-entertaining event "**Civil graduation**" on June 7, 2016, at the National Theatre Tuzla, with completely free entry.

Great fun and entertainment were provided by the team from "*Comedy afoot*", led by *Peđa Bajović*, especially interesting *Hazim Mujčinović* and *Filip Andronika*. This trio has, on a very interesting way, communicated with over 200 young people about politics, situation of young people, and the methods of passing the "Civil graduation" with the highest grade!



Gatherings, which are primarily intended for young people between 16 and 30, are held in 6 Bosnian-Herzegovinian cities. The greatest turnout of young people by far, their interest in city changes and taking the most important graduation was in Tuzla. The organizers of "Civil graduation" in Tuzla were delighted. They think that young people in Tuzla once again showed that they care about their position in the city, and that they should be given the opportunity and the ability to gather and communicate about their issues in similar "cooltural" events.

During the event, the brochure "*Guide to civil graduation*" by *Dr. Velma Pijalović* from the Faculty of Economics, University of Sarajevo, was presented. The brochure is designed and adapted for the purpose of informing young people before the elections.

Civil graduation is organized within the project "*From the budget openness and accessibility to the citizen participation*", financed by the *Open Society Fund of Bosnia Herzegovina*.

Learn – think and act – KULT

The one-year training program for young leaders of UmiD (Learn, Think and Act), implemented by the Institute for Youth Development KULT, has started this year with the training of the tenth generation. The training will be held in the period from June to December 2016, and it consists of 8 modules, such as two-day workshops and summer school.

Topics which will be covered are: civil activism and volunteering, democratic principles and the European Union, human rights, project writing, teamwork and leadership, fundraising, advocacy, peaceful conflict resolution and collaboration with the business sector.

The first module, with the topic of civil activism and volunteering, was held from June 2 to 4, 2016, in Sarajevo.

Beside the theoretical part, young people had the opportunity to actively participate and learn more about the goals and motives of volunteering and activism through field activities. The training involved 24 participants from both entities. Representatives of the Youth Group of Youth Resource Centre were *Jasmina Begović* and *Husein Šljivić*.



ORC Tuzla Youth Group party

Youth Group of Youth Resource Centre was established in October 2013, and it initially numbered only 15 members. With continuous effort and commitment to better future of young people, the group has around 40 members today, as well as numerous achievements in the field of youth activism and volunteerism.

Just last year, Youth Group of ORC Tuzla organized a number of events for young people. Some of them are: Youth Event: There is always choice - civil courage in times of war and peace, Live a healthy life vol. 2, soccer tournament called "Football for All" tournament in soccer on sand called "Football without prejudice", Civil graduation - Stand up comedy at the National Theatre Tuzla.

Besides that, the Youth Group participated in the implementation of events such as "Eco Psychiatry". Also, our youth had the opportunity to participate in tree-planting campaign for activist *Angelina Hodžić*.

Young people are aware of the importance of non-formal education, and therefore they frequently visit various seminars and trainings, trying to encourage the new generation to get actively involved in positive social change. As a reward for a successful year, Youth Group of ORC Tuzla held a party for all members of youth groups, sympathizers, collaborators, media and donors. The party took place on June 30, at the premises of ORC Tuzla.



As a reminder, you can follow all the activities of Youth Group of ORC Tuzla through monthly informative bulletin of Youth Resource Centre Tuzla and Youth Network of Bosnia and Herzegovina at their official website.

For all other young people who have a desire to be actively involved in the youth group of ORC, who want to expand their knowledge, meet new people and contribute to their community, Youth Group announces a call for applications of new members. Applications can be found at the following link:

<https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1Ql0POChUkun6JCKpejVxwxV16bQPXvaDJrrfOLghzgw/viewform?c=0&w=1>

REPRESENTING YOUTH!

Zamire Sokoli



Zamire Sokoli is one of the first members of our youth group. She is currently finishing Faculty of Technology, University of Tuzla. Zamire has been through numerous seminars, organized by the Youth Resource Centre. She thinks that Youth Group had great influence and importance on her personal development- Our member's hobby is interior design for celebrations and flower arrangement.

Eldar Imamović



Eldar Imamović is 19 years old and a student of the first year at the Faculty of Electrical Engineering in Tuzla. Besides the faculty, he is engaged in photography and video production. He has been actively involved in the work of several non-governmental organizations / groups for many years, and a member of the Youth Group of Youth resource centre for three years. Through the work in non-governmental organizations, Eldar had the opportunity to participate in a number of seminars and trainings, and thus significantly expand his knowledge in the field of NGO activism.



YOUTH GROUP OF ORC TUZLA ACTIVITY ANNOUNCEMENT FOR JULY, 2016

“FAILED F”

Project “Failed F” will be implemented by the Youth group of the Youth resource centre (OGORC). Goal of this project is education of young people concerning the prevention of youth delinquency, other themes of the education will be: prejudice and stereotyping, delinquency and non-violent communication, volunteering etc.

The project will be implemented in the Peace Flame House in Tuzla, and will include mostly high school students, for whom it was intended. The plan is to educate 90 participants through workshops, who will after completion of the project get certificates on topics we discussed.

Beside the direct beneficiaries, parents will be included in the project indirectly, via Internet, because we believe that they are crucial in the prevention of juvenile delinquency. This project will be of use for direct disciples of the project primarily, they will learn to recognize the forms of juvenile delinquency, and will be able to act as youth leaders to their peers, as well as contribute to the resolution of conflict situations. Besides that, the project is beneficial to parents and local community, which are affected by the issue.

The project is supported by Institute for Youth Development KULT.



ORC AND HCA TUZLA REGULAR ACTIVITIES

During June we have worked on maintenance and development of communication within the Youth network of Bosnia and Herzegovina (www.omladina-bih.net). As a part of this activity we have used our networks' mailing list (posta@omladina-bih.net), as well as other addresses in BiH and the region to daily send information of interest to youth and youth activism in Bosnia and Herzegovina. We corresponded with the organizations and individuals who were interested in the Networks work, answered to questions concerning certain activities, education as well as other information regarding the activism of young people in BiH. Also, our project team has continued with the applications for this year's projects.

HCA/ORC PLANS FOR JULY, 2016

- Conducting regular activities through the Youth Network of BiH.
- Active participation in the international ALF network, maintenance and logistic support to the ALF network of Bosnia and Herzegovina.
- Continuation of work on gathering of finances for 2016
- DESERVED VACATION.

BIH YOUTH NETWORK MEMBERS' ACTIVITIES



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Recognition for excellence in voluntarism in local community

Over 16.000 young people helped working on various projects and activities of great use for the local community, under the auspices of the US Embassy in BiH as part of the action "**Challenge BiH**". Awards were given to the individuals and organizations. As a leader and coordinator of activities of *Youth circle Kladanj* and *No Hate LT Kladanj*, our own *Ernada Fatima Avdibegović* has received recognition for excellence in volunteering in the local community.

Sincere congratulations on the recognition to our Ernada.



Successful completion of the first scientific-exploratory camp „Konjuh 2016“



Upon the arrival on May 24, all of the participants were transported to the newly built Hotel Miljevica on the south slopes of mountain Konjuh, near Kladanj municipality. They were divided into 7 scientific-exploratory teams, lead by

their mentors from a team of professors and assistants. Different themes were explored in the area of social, technical, environmental, natural, health and sports sciences.

On Tuesday, May 31, 2016, scientific-exploratory camp "Konjuh 2016" was successfully completed. The camp was realized within "Youth Scientific-exploratory camp" project, financed by the US Embassy in Sarajevo. Main goal of this camp is to support the inter-ethnic cooperation between youth, while the core idea relies on a chance to accomplish intensive interaction and create long-term social connections and cooperation in future professional and business life of young people through the affirmation of scientific-exploratory activities in its own educational scope with the youth from other parts of Bosnia and Herzegovina. ■

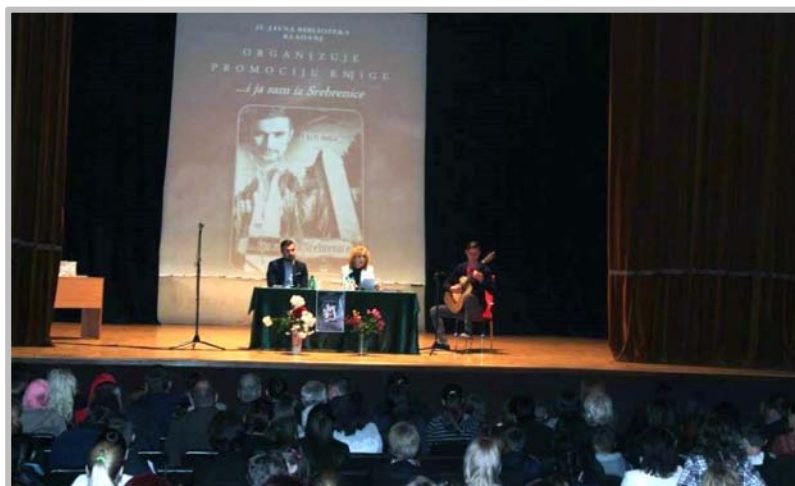


NGO Gariwo donation of selected edition set to Public library Kladanj, as part of activity „3000 books for the libraries in BiH“

Books were presented by the renowned Bosnian director and writer, *Gradimir Gojer*, who donated several of his own books. ■

“...I am from Srebrenica, too”, Fikret Hodžić’s Book Promotion

Book promotion “...i ja sam iz Srebrenice” of popular *Fikret Hodžić* was held on June 3, 2016. Promotion was attended by a large number of citizens from Kladanj. ■




SVITAC

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Daily Workshops

Youth organization Svitac (Firefly) has continued with its daily activities in June. Participants have been separated into two groups; age 4-7 every week day from 11:00am to 1:00pm, while age 8+ is from 2:00pm to 3:30pm. During this month, younger group has made various decorations out of collage and origami paper, such as frogs, cranes and snails. They also worked on water colour techniques, as well as using wax crayons and candle wax. Shakers made from small plastic bottles have also been a part of the creative workshops this month. Morning group was learning and practising numbers from 1 to 13 each Thursday using worksheets for colouring. They have also repeated shapes and colours in English. This group has also vigorously practised the text and the melody of a German song adapted for their age called „Das Auto von Luigio“. Goal of these activities is for children to develop their imagination and, while using various materials, express their creativity, as well as develop their motor skills and mutual respect and adapt good manners. During June, number of attendees varied from 20 to 30.

The afternoon group is following a different schedule for each day, attempting to encompass as many different themes and activities as possible (age 8+).

Mondays were scheduled for English language, communication, pronunciation, as well as different games which help in group learning of a foreign language. During this month, aside from the grammatical assignments, the group also practised sentences in passive and worked on a topic of jobs and professions. On Tuesdays, they had creative expression – creation of various decorations made of wool and soft wire, than knitting of necklaces and bracelets, as well as different techniques of drawing. Each Thursday, the group is divided into two, where the participants can choose sports or drama.

Friday was a day for learning basics of German language, as well as helping with the homework.

Workshops are held in the Youth centre in Brčko District. Coordinator of the workshops in June was *Slađana Bašić* with the assistance of local and Weltwaerts and EVS international volunteers *Jonas Kiesner and Anna Bonitz* from Germany, *Vanessa Brumen and Theresa Bittman* from Austria, *Johna Richardson* from USA, as well as *Monica Reeves, Eleonora Peterson, Christian Mennella and Trang Pham* from Great Britain. Number of participants in the older group is between 20 and 25, at the moment.



Language Workshops

English and German language courses were continued in June. During the school year 2015/2016, 35 students attended the courses. They were divided into three groups (Beginner 1, Beginner 2 for children and adults and Intermediate 1 for children). Each group had two classes a week in duration of 90 minutes, and the classes were held in the premises of the Youth organization Svitac, as well as the Youth centre of Brčko District. Students' age varied from 8 to 35.

At the end of June, all of the students have attended written and oral exams. Certificates will be given at the beginning of July, and the courses will continue in September. ■

“Let's talk German” German communication workshops with native speakers

German language workshops are held every Thursday at the premises of the Youth Centre of Brčko District from 5:30pm to 8pm. Due to the great interest and different levels of vocabulary and grammar knowledge, participants were divided into two groups, beginners group (new-A1) and advanced (A2, B1, B2). Communication workshops in German are for all people who want to learn basics of grammar, but also improve existing skills and acquire new experiences and acquaintances. In June, the groups of all levels have worked on texts, adjusted to their knowledge of German language, from a German youth magazine “*Vitamin D*”, and they have also read various news articles on topics of film and fairytales. Groups A2, B1 and B2 have played a game “*Tabu*”, during which different terms need to be explained in German language.

Project coordinators are international volunteers from Germany *Anne Bonitz* and *Vanessa Brumen* from Austria. In June, workshops were attended by 20 participants (both groups). ■

“I love English” – English communication workshops with native speakers

English language workshops are held every Wednesday at the premises of Youth centre of Brčko District from 7pm to 8pm. Communication workshops in English are for all people who want to learn basics of grammar, but also improve existing skills and acquire new experiences and acquaintances. June, the participants of these workshops had a chance to meet young people from Scotland, Australia and USA, who were visiting Brčko, and to learn more about different dialects in English language. The group has also actively worked on exercises in communication.

The coordinator of the project is an international volunteer from Great Britain, *Monica Reeves*. In April, workshops were attended by 10 participants. ■

“Parliamo italiano insieme” – Italian communication workshops for beginners

Workshops for the Italian language are held each Tuesday in the premises of the Youth Centre of District Brčko from 6:00pm-7:30pm. Communication workshops in Italian language are intended for the age 16+ - for all who wish to learn the basics of the Italian language and the usage of daily communication and dialogue, as well as acquire new experiences and acquaintances.. In June, this group worked on practise of verbal communication in everyday life and conjugation of verbs through personal pronouns. Through this, they got acquainted with definite and indefinite articles with nouns.



Coordinator of the project was international volunteer from Austria, *Vanessa Brumen*. Workshops were attended by 10 participants in June. ■

French language communication workshops for beginners

French language workshops are held each Friday in premises of the youth centre from 8:00pm-9:30pm. French language workshops are intended for age 16+, for all who wish to learn basics of French language and acquire new experiences and acquaintances, Main focus in June was on exercises and dialogues from daily communication, as well as conjugation of verbs and their use in practical assignments.

Coordinator of the project in June was international volunteer from Austria *Theresa Bittmann*. Workshops were attended by 9 participants. ■

Drama Workshops

“Drama workshop” project for youth was held every Tuesday in the premises of the Youth centre of Brčko District from 7:30pm-9:00pm. The group was working on a fifth scene of comedy “*Ne mora uvijek biti Šekspir*” (It doesn’t always have to be Shakespeare). Each workshop begins with the warm-up practise, 10 to 20 minutes duration, which are of a great help for relaxing before the actual workshop. During June, the drama group had numerous meetings, as to discuss individual work on scenes and the text. The goal of this project is for young people, who love theatre and acting, to adapt new skills and gain new experiences and acquaintances.

Project coordinator is *Anne Bonitz*, international volunteer from Germany. In June, drama workshops were attended by 12 participants, age 16+. ■

“Freeletics” – Sports Workshops

Sports workshops “Freeletics” were held on Tuesdays and Thursdays, from 9:00pm-10:00pm, in the premises of the Youth centre of Brčko District. Workshops are intended for young people who wish to improve their motor skills, condition and strength, as well as gain new skills and acquaintances. This month’s coordinator has shown great attention to conditional exercises. During the warm-up, they used yoga, as to attain better breathing technique and correct muscle stretching. Coordinator of this project is *Miloš Popić*. Assistant in the sports workshops is *Jonas Kiesner*, international volunteer from Germany. Workshops were attended by 7 participants. ■

Music Workshops

In the first half of June, EVS volunteer, *Monica Reeves*, has with continued with the streak of music workshops of varying content, with the help of local and international volunteers. In second part of June, numbers of meetings were held with the musical coordinator of the Youth organization Svitac, as to set the guidelines and the direction of the workshops in the future period. ■



Guitar Workshops

Participants of the guitar workshops have continued with their regular work in June. ■

Samba Workshops

Participants of this workshop have continued to develop variations in June, on the topic assigned in the past period. ■

SUMMER ROCK SCHOOL

As a part of the promotion of “*Summer Rock School*” project, which has a goal to gather fifty young musicians from all around Bosnia and Herzegovina, a young band from Mostar “*Floridus*” has, after a series of concerts in several cities of Bosnia and Herzegovina, introduced its work in Brčko, on Saturday, June 11, 2016.

Summer Rock School – Songs That Matter is a big musical project which is organized by Rock school of Mostar, which will gather 50 young musicians from 11 BiH cities.



Through the Summer Rock School – a seven day musical camp which will be held in the first week of August at Jahorina – creative youth from Bosnia and Herzegovina will have a chance to cooperate and create. Music workshops and creative support is going to be secured by a team of lecturers from Rock School Mostar, with the attendance of famous personalities from the music industry.

Music camp is an excellent opportunity for peer networking of similar creative interests. Apart from good tunes, there will be opportunity for meeting each other through various social activities.

Young authors will have a chance to present their work after summer, through concerts in Sarajevo and Mostar. During fall and wintertime, they will record their songs in *DK Studio of Rock school in Mostar*, which will later be published as DVD compilation.

Participation in all of the activities of this project is free of charge for all of the participants. The cost of the trip and accommodation is covered by the organizer (hotel, food, transportation)

Youth organization Svitac is a partner of this musical project from Brčko. ■

All regular workshops of Youth organization Svitac will continue in July.



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Waiting for authorities reaction to proposal of amending VAT Law

Institute for youth development KULT has addressed the initiative to amend the VAT law at the Governing board of the Indirect Taxation.

It is the initiative with which the institute advocates the amendments of the VAT law that would make:

- Taxpayers pay VAT according to the charged invoice instead of the invoice for delivered goods and provided services, also they would have the right to the tax cut on the input tax only when they pay the supplier for the delivered goods and services;
- Paying deadline for VAT would be moved to the last day of the month for the previous month.

Changes are related to the tax payers who have an annual turnover of goods and services (without calculated VAT) up to one million BAM.



The initiative was started at the beginning of March, this year, and up until now was supported by around 30.000 businessmen gathered around economic and trade chambers, as well as associations which focus on helping businesses.

These changes are supported by the Chambers of Crafts of Central Bosnia, Tuzla, Zenica-Doboj, Una-Sana, Posavina and Sarajevo Canton, the Chamber of Economy of Sarajevo and Banja Luka, Mostar, the Chamber of Economy of Bosnian-Podrinje Canton of Goražde, Chamber of Economy of Tuzla Canton, Una-Sana Canton, Zenica-Doboj Canton, Chamber of Economy of FBiH, "Kupujmo i koristimo domaće" ("Buy and Use Domestic Products") Association and the Association for Improving Economic Relations between Germany and BiH, the Association of Employers of FBiH and individual entrepreneurs.

According to the current law regulations, employers are required to settle the tax liability, even though they have not collected their claims, which are illiquid for many businesses, and often lead to discontinued operations.

Advocating for the changes in the Law is conducted as a part of the "BH Business Site" initiative, managed by the Institute for Youth Development KULT and which is the part of Civil Society Sustainability Project in Bosnia and Herzegovina (CSSP), realized by the Centres of Civil initiatives (CCI) and the Centre for Promoting the Civil Society (CPCD) and supported by the US Agency for International Development (USAID).

Orange day / Stories which make us think

The Institute for Youth Development KULT marked June 25, 2016 – Orange Day – Day of Fighting Against Violence over Women and Girls with the short film “S(HE)?”.

The promotion of the film in March was performed in the Cinema City Multiplex and the story about the women in our society as brave heroines of everyday life was thus successfully completed. The team of film-makers have filmed them during their everyday life, while they told their story.

“This film was made as a token of appreciation to all women, as to show the endless appreciation for what they do. We have decided to dedicate the Orange day to all women who have dedicated their life to the fight, which, with their own hands, words and actions, topple walls of prejudice and create a better life for themselves, those around them, us and those that will come after us.” – told Mirela Ajanović from the Institute for Youth Development KULT.

Film is available at the link: <http://mladi.org/url/ona>



Orange day is marked on 25th day of each month, as a day of fight against the violence over women and girls, but it needs to be emphasized that physical violence is not the only form of violence toward women and it is not the only way for women in today's society to feel neglected, betrayed, disenfranchised. According to the Agency for Gender Equality, 52.8% of women have suffered some form of violence, but even though certain statistics do exist, it is hard to talk about real numbers. Institute for Youth development KULT, with the support of the US Embassy in Sarajevo, is implementing project “Orange voices”. One of the goals of the project is to mark Orange day each 25th in a month, to promote and lobby the gender equality, mark and fight against the violence toward women and girls, and build awareness of the public and citizens on this issue.

General Secretary of the UN proclaimed every 25th in a month “Orange day”, as a day to remind us on the importance of prevention, and sanctioning the violence over women and girls. ■



First out of five training modules for youth officers

Institute for youth development KULT has started with a new training for youth officers in FBiH. First of five training modules was attended by 22 young people.

Institute for youth development KULT is conducting training programs for youth officers, as well as certification of officers who work with young people at city,

municipal and cantonal authorities.

Through the basic training program, an attendant is trained for performing activities of an expert in a governmental service for youth work. Through the training program, the attendant is primarily equipped for cooperation and

providing expert help to youth in developing projects, establishing youth associations and promoting youth work, advocating for youth interests and youth counselling.

Basic training program for Youth Officers will last for 120 working hours, divided according to the modules. ■

Ilidža in Youth – “Youth day of Ilidža municipality” manifestation

Manifestation “*Youth day of Ilidža municipality*” was held on June 11, 2016, in front of Educational-leisure centre for youth SPAJALICA in Ilidža.

During the day-long program for the youngest visitors games without borders were organized, along with creative workshops, a visit from a clown and face painting, while school kids participated in a basketball tournament, interactive youth health workshop entitled “*Let's Sail Together*”, and a visit to the NGO Fair.



As part of the manifestation, a voluntary blood donation was organized, “*The Equalizer*” movie was screened, and in the evening, there was a concert held by a young performer for all ages, Edin Talović.

“We are very pleased with the turnout, but also happy that we have managed to organize a manifestation which entailed activities for all generations. Youth Day of Ilidža Municipality is a traditional event for youth that has been organized by volunteers of the Institute for Youth Development KULT for the past 11 years. It is nice to see all the hard work results in satisfaction of visitors.” – told Emina Jusupović, volunteer of the Institute for the youth development KULT.

Youth day of Ilidža municipality is organized by the Educational-leisure centre for youth SPAJALICA, which is founded by the Institute for the youth development KULT, with the support of Ilidža municipality. ■



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“You Can Volunteer”

Mozaik Foundation, in cooperation with the US Embassy in Sarajevo, is organizing a fair “*You can volunteer*”, where more than 100 NGOs’ projects from all around Bosnia and Herzegovina will be presented. Goal of the fair itself is promotion of organizations which work selflessly in the service of society and build an open democratic environment based on activism, solidarity, cohesion and trust by continued volunteer activities. The fair will be held in Sarajevo, Mostar and Banja Luka.

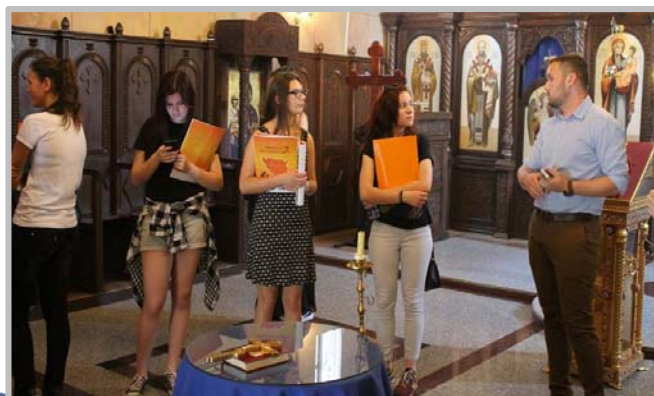


The fair in Sarajevo was attended by the representatives of High School Students’ Association in Bosnia and Herzegovina, who had a chance to present the activities their association has completed in the previous period - but the biggest project was the high school exchange in Bosnia and Herzegovina, “*Friends without Borders 2*”, supported by the US Embassy.

At these fairs, visitors will have a chance to see the results of the projects that the beneficiaries of the grants have implemented with the help of the US Embassy and USAID in BiH and which will be presented within the program of inter-ethnic cooperation, Empowerment of women, Democratic commission and challenge. Organizers hope that the fair will engage the citizens of BiH to volunteer, and to work selflessly on the improvement of society in BiH. ■

Friends without borders - Brčko

As a part of “*Friends without borders*” project, high school students of the Association from local team Brčko have hosted high school students of local team from Gornji Vakuf/Uskoplje, from June 3 to 5.



Fourteen cities from Bosnia and Herzegovina have taken part in this project, which are divided into pairs, and a goal is to bring down the prejudice and to introduce the home country to high school students.

During these three days, high school students from Brčko toured students from Gornji Vakuf/Uskoplje through the beauties of the city and the historical monuments in Brčko. They have visited the City hall, house of the Kučukalić, Islahijet, White mosque, Mosque on Sava, Church of the Sacred Heart of Jesus and the Church of the Holy Virgin, Hotel „Posavina“, Brčko port and Ficibajer. Even though the 230 kilometres trip was exhausting, members of both local teams have managed to use the three days to the maximum.

Members of the local team of ASuBiH Brčko are pleased with the completed project, happy that they met new friends and they hope for a new get-together. ■

Night labyrinth

A project called “*Night labyrinth*” has begun with its implementation after a seminar organized by the *Schuler Helfen Leben Foundation*. Seminar served as base for the idea of youth from Orašje to activate and show the local community talented perspectives of the high school students.



High school students have organized an exhibition of songs, photographs and drawings in the city park June 10, 2016, with the permission of the municipality for this activity. For all the citizens who decided to visit the night exhibit, a prize draw was organised, and the winners received interesting prizes. High school students have prepared photographs from the exhibition for all citizens who came to support their work.

This was one of the many activities which the high-school students of Orašje are preparing for this summer; we expect more positive stories such as this. ■

ASuBiH Riječani camp, 2016

ASuBiH Riječani camp was held in the period from June 20 to 24 at the sports and recreational centre Riječani. Participants were high school students coming from ten different cities in Bosnia and Herzegovina. Goal of this camp is for high school students to connect and socialize, by bringing down stereotypes and prejudices based on religious and national relations. During the four days, participants had a chance to attend different areas of informal education, such as presentational skills, communication development, team-building activities and many other, which will help the coordinators and members in the future work of their local communities. ■





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Street campaign “Support for victims of torture in Novi Travnik”

Youth association Nova vizija (New vision) realized a street campaign on the occasion of June 26, International Day in Support of Victims of Torture, in association with the Centre for social affairs Novi Travnik and the association Medica from Zenica.

International Day in Support of Victims of Torture was marked with the organization of the street activities and distribution of promotional materials in Zenica, Novi Travnik, Ključ, Mostar, Bosansko Grahovo, Livno and Goražde. Promotional material was created within a project “Ensuring the access to the justice for witnesses/victims through strengthening of existing and implementation of new networks for support for witnesses in Bosnia and Herzegovina”.

This is continuation of successful cooperation between Nova vizija, Centre for social affairs and Medica. We will continue with similar activities in the future period. ■

Educational workshop “Media and the NGO sector”

At the premises of the Youth centre of Novi Travnik, Nova vizija Youth association has successfully realized an educational workshop on the topic of “Media and the NGO sector”. In what way young people see the media, how important the media are for the development of youth ideas and in what way we gain trust in media are just a part of discussions at the educational workshop of Nova vizija. NGO sector greatly depends on the good cooperation with the media through which they present their work to public, start different campaigns and contribute to the development of the youth ideas and their projects. Young people had a chance to familiarize themselves with different kinds of cooperation of the NGO sector with the media, as well as the ways to present the information of their work to the media, and how to gain their trust. Resources of the NGO sector are often limited and that greatly hinders the ability of involvement of media, which is why it is very important for the NGOs to have a good strategy of approach to the media and to nurture a friendly relationship with them. In the future, young people will have the opportunity to expand their knowledge from the area of cooperation with the media through new workshops.

Of course, as always, good atmosphere at the workshop of Nova vizija was abundant, but from now on, on each new workshop, we get new members who wish to be a part of the visionary team. ■

Manifestation “My dream for my city 2”

Excellent team, good atmosphere and interesting tasks have filled this event. Good mood was abundant and the teams of society, nature, activists and explorers have completed their tasks with excellence.

To mark the event of “Days of the municipality of Novi Travnik”, Youth association Nova vizija has organized the activity “My dream for my city 2” at the Pavlovica resort. Around thirty young people had a chance to create fun recreational programs through which they intend to promote their city in the natural surroundings. As divided into 4 teams: explorers, activists, society and nature, young people had different tasks which they had to complete as a team. A part of their assignments was to think of an idea for promotion of the historical monuments, city designs, tourist values and nature protection in the municipality of Novi Travnik. They had a chance to develop their plan through teamwork, to create engaging content, but also learn about the resources this municipality possesses. This was also an opportunity for these young people to meet, exchange their experiences and present the problems they face. ■





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- Activists of “Merhamet” Dobo attended the public discussion of Dobo municipality, held in cooperation with the UNDP.



- Activists of “Merhamet” attended the “Civil graduation” on July 9, 2016, at the Assembly hall of Dobo.



- Iftar was held in Dobo - organized by “Merhamet” Zenica, and “Merhamet” Dobo. Adil ef. Rudanović contributed to the atmosphere with his ideas. We would like to thank the director of “Merhamet” Zenica and her associates for a very delicious iftar. We would like to commend the activists of “Merhamet” Dobo: Zlata, Senada, Semra and others.



- President Avdić Faketa attended the presentation of the draft of the revised strategy for the development of Dobo.



President of “Merhamet”, Faketa Avdić received a letter of thanks for the contribution to the successful work of the woman's association. Appointment was attended by Obren Petrović, mayor of Doboj.



Activists of “Merhamet” were in the Jewish cultural centre, for the promotion of books written by Jewish authors.



Distribution of meat donation from “OVAKO” factory.



Halida Tubić donated 300 BAM to “Merhamet” Doboj for socially vulnerable categories.



Permanent activities of “Merhamet” Doboj are aids for the disabled persons.



Donation to “Merhamet” from Violeta company.





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“Dream it loud: Build an inclusive society for rural and urban youth!”



A study session was held from May 21 to May 29, 2016 in Strasbourg (France), named **“Dream it loud: Build an inclusive society for rural and urban youth”**. Organizers of the event were *Youth Express Network and Rural Youth Europe*, in cooperation with *Youth Department of the Council of Europe*. The session was attended by our representative *Harun Šabanović* (leader of the Youth club Omerbegovača). He participated actively during the whole session. The session was attended by 38 participants from 20 countries, and the main goal of the session was the promotion of inclusion of urban and rural youth, as well as facilitation of their access to the social rights at the local level. Representative of the PRONI presented the network of youth clubs and he created an action plan, as a product of the session, which he plans to realize in his municipality. Activities at the session were in connection to human and social rights, leadership, teamwork, and there was talk of European institutions. Participants have also had a chance to visit one of the organizations that deal with young people by providing help, such as counselling, help with employment etc. An intercultural evening was held, where the participants presented their countries with traditional food and drink. Participants had enough free time to view all of the beauties of the French city. Session was held at the European youth centre. All of the participants have received a certificate and a social game about human and social rights. ■

Support to work of NGOs

Thank to the United States Embassy to Bosnia and Herzegovina for the company and the support of civil society organizations and the promotion of volunteer work. ■



Strengthening capacity of youth training: “Young people develop Drina-Birač region”

As a part of the training from the field of communication, civil activism, project management and protection of children and youth, 25 young people in total, from Srebrenica, Bratunac and Vlasenica, have successfully completed the training realized by the trainers of PRONI Centre for youth development. Training was held in Srebrenica over the period of 8 days. Training was implemented as a part of the project “Young people develop Drina-Birač region”, which is implemented by the youth organisation “Javor” from Vlasenica, along with the partner organizations from Bratunac and Srebrenica. ■



ANNOUNCEMENTS/INFORMATION/DONORS/CALLS

Training houses for youth “LABIRINT”

Did you know that in 2015, more precisely on May 29, the first training house for youth of north-eastern Bosnia and Herzegovina was opened? Unique in its range of services and designs of rooms, LABIRINT entered 2016 with 665 satisfied clients.

Services of Training house for youth LABIRINT:

- Usage of training rooms for active learning for day or multi-day activities;
- Organization and preparation of meals for the participants of the activities;
- Rooms for youth for several days of training;
- Tour around the city of Tuzla with tour guides from LABIRINT team;
- DO IT YOURSELF services: independent design and production of badges, independent painting prints on T-shirts using thermo presses.

So far, 26 different youth groups used the services of training house for young people from Bosnia and Herzegovina and beyond. We organized one-day and multi-day educations, trainings, seminars, peace and work camps. Customer reviews are excellent, and in addition to evaluation, the best feeling is when the group or individual service users return to our house.

Multifunctional training house for youth LABIRINT is located in Simin Han in Tuzla, in the attic of the Primary School "Simin Han", in an area of approximately 320m².

LABIRINT currently has:

- bedrooms (42+ beds) in separate rooms for coaches / leaders / responsible persons;
- multimedia training room, kitchen and dining room with all the necessary elements;
- 2 toilets and 2 bathrooms;
- living room;
- parking.

To see our premises, visit:

<https://www.facebook.com/media/set/?set=a.1613427768982773.1073741840.1490370184621866&type=3>

If you have not had a chance to come to our premises, 2016 is ideal for your arrival. We are waiting for you and we want your activities successfully implemented right at LABIRINT. Contact us for more information!

Visit: <https://www.facebook.com/volimlabirint/>

USAID call: Support to marginalised women in business development

USAID's support program to marginalized groups (USAID / PPMG) invites all local governments to submit application to the public call for support in the implementation of components for support of marginalized groups of women in the private sector.

Calls ID: 15.02.0-N2.3-3810

Call Title: Support to marginalised women in business development

Call publication date: June 27, 2016

Deadline for project proposals: **July 27, 2016 until 4:00 PM**

Public invitation is open to all local governments in Bosnia and Herzegovina which have been able to secure funds in the same amount requested by USAID / PPMG, except that the amount of the participation, and the amount sought from USAID / PPMG is minimum of 20,000 BAM, and a maximum of 150,000 BAM, and implement a model of support that will be developed in cooperation with USAID / PPMG.

All questions regarding this public invitation shall be submitted only by e-mail address: prijava@ppmg.ba (subject / object: 15.02.0-N2.3-3810, Query). The full text of the Public Invitation and all required forms are available at <http://ppmg.ba/ba/grantovi/otvoreni-pozivi>. Interested local governments are required to sign the Public invitation no later than **07/27/2016**, send or deliver personally to the following address: Ul. 4. Viteške Brigade 34-36, 71210 Iliđa (write on envelope: 15.02.0-N2.3-3810 application for public call - do not open before the official opening of the applications). Applications which are not submitted in this manner will not be considered.

Source: <http://ppmg.ba/ba/vijesti/vijesti-projekta/277-javni-poziv-za-ucesce-jedinica-lokalne-samouprave-u-bih-podrska-marginaliziranim-grupama-zena-u-razvoju-biznisa>

Call for project proposal submission within ABDA Grant Scheme

Standing Working Group for Regional Rural Development (SWG) in South Eastern Europe, with the support of GIZ in the project "Rural development through integrated management of forest and water resources" (LEIWW), invites applications for grants, designed to support small projects in cross-border regions Drina -Tara, Drina-Sava, Prespa and Šara which relate to income generation through the promotion of sustainable use of natural resources, improvement of production processes, technology and quality products and services through the integrated management of water and forest resources. Special attention will be paid to the economic activities of women and youth in cross-border areas.

The overall objective of ABD grant scheme within LEIWW program is to strengthen the economic development of targeted cross-border region through the promotion of income generation from the sustainable use of natural resources, which will be achieved with the support of entrepreneurial initiatives aimed at boosting tourism in the region and improvement of the production chain of agricultural, food and craft products, improvement of tourism services through integrated projects that foster cooperation between operators in the framework of the so-called "Green" value chains.

The call for project proposals entitled 'ABDA grant scheme' opens on May 27, 2016, and closes on **July 6, 2016 at 16:00** local time.

The documents for grant applications are available on the website of cross-border region Drina-Sava and Drina - Tara:

- <http://drina-sava.seerural.org/>
- <http://drina-tara.seerural.org>

Questions related to application process for projects in the border region Drina-Sava and Drina- Tara can be sent electronically to the following address:

- drina-sava@swg-seerural.org
- drina-tara@swg-seerural.org

Implementation area for Drina – Sava region:

- Bosnia and Herzegovina: Bijeljina, Ugljevik, Lopare, Brčko and Donji Žabari;
- Serbia: Sremska Mitrovica, Šid, Bogatić, Loznica and Šabac.

Implementation area for Drina – Tara region:

- Serbia: Ljubovija, Bajina Bašta, Prijepolje, Priboj, Čajetina and Užice;
- Montenegro: Bijelo Polje and Pljevlja;
- Bosnia and Herzegovina: Višegrad, Rudo, Goražde, Srebrenica, Bratunac and Milići.

More information: Info about ABD Grant Schema – final

Howard G. Buffett Fund for Women Journalists

Deadline: July 6, 2016.

The International Women Media Foundation (IWMF) invites women journalists from all around the world to apply for Howard G. Buffett Fund which supports projects, including educational possibilities, investigative journalism and development of media initiatives.

Fund purpose:

- Advance women in the news media worldwide by funding innovative projects and unique opportunities
- To help journalists build skills critical to their development as professionals
- Encourage journalists working in hostile environments to obtain necessary security training
- Support projects from a diverse pool of applicants
- Offer flexibility in funding amounts and projects
- Urge applicants to pitch ambitious ideas
- Inspire original collaborative projects
- Provide opportunities for journalists with limited access to other funding sources.

Benefits

- The Fund is intended to help women journalists from around the world providing support to applicants:
- to subject the issues rarely written about, and which are of global importance;
- support ambitious projects that challenge the traditional media stories;
- The development areas based on expertise and strengthening career;
- Continue critical education empowerment and leadership;
- Starting entrepreneurial projects reporting or acquiring skills to do so;
- Information on financing;
- IWMF will give total annual \$ 230,000 grant to support journalists in their projects and ventures.

Qualification criteria:

- Women journalists from anywhere in the world are eligible to apply.
- Journalism must be the applicant's primary profession.
- Applicants must have three or more years of professional journalism experience.
- Teams of journalists may apply, however the submission must be from a woman journalist and her team must include at least 50% women.
- Special consideration will be given to freelance journalists.
- How to apply
- Applications are submitted online.

New application circle will be opened by the beginning of June.

For more information, visit: [Howard G. Buffett Fund](#).

Robert Bosch Stiftung: Funding for Projects in the Field of Peace and Conflict Transformation

The number of internal conflicts and conflicts between nations has continued to increase in recent years. This trend is accompanied by a rising number of local, regional, and international conflict transformation initiatives. The need for targeted and timely support is therefore high.

Our aim is to support those projects that serve to facilitate conflict transformation in conflict (and post conflict) societies in different regions. As a result, projects are supported that focus on dealing with the past, including questions of transitional justice, mediation, human and minority rights, the unique role of digital technologies in conflict (and post conflict) societies, the way conflicts are reported on, and the role played by religion in conflicts.

We are particularly eager to support projects that make it possible to transfer good practice from one region or target group to another.

Grant applications looking to secure project funding will be accepted throughout year.

For more information; visit: <http://www.bosch-stiftung.de/content/language2/html/61514.asp>

Call for young literary critics

On the occasion of the First International Festival of Literature Bookstan, which takes place from July 25 to 28, 2016, the publishing house Buybook, in cooperation with teachers and staff Faculty of Philosophy, and the Academy of Fine Art, organizes educational and critique program in the field of writing literary and artistic criticism which will last from July 22 to 28, 2016.

Tasks for selected candidates will be divided into three segments:

- **The first phase** is writing a text in the form of literary-critical miniature which will have to be realized and delivered up to July 17, and the task will be listed in the invitation letter.
- **The second phase** will involve tasks related to journalist covering of events of Festival; mentioned texts will be published on social media, website festivals and media publications.
- **The third phase** is attending lectures and workshops with renowned speakers during the program.

The call is intended for students and literary and art critics who live or study in Bosnia and Herzegovina. Young people aged 18-30 years who actively speak English can apply to this call.

Expert jury will select 20 participants of the program who will implement the tasks and be awarded with prizes. During the festival, Buybook will provide accommodation in hostel, food, and will refund the cost of bus tickets to students who do not come from Sarajevo.

All selected participants are required to attend the whole program for a period from July 22 to 28, 2016.

Applications will be submitted on radionica@buybook.ba until **July 07, 2016**.

E-mail - application forms should include CV and two papers in the field of literary and art criticism (essays, professional or scientific work). Incomplete applications will not be considered. Official confirmation of participation will be sent to candidates no later than July 11, 2016. The candidates will also receive detailed work program and the necessary logistical information.



Dear Friends,

If you are interested in publishing: your calls for mutual activities and cooperation, information about activities, work applications, call for help or support, public announcements as well as other non-commercial ads, in monthly information bulletin of Youth Resource Center (ORC) Tuzla and Youth Network of Bosnia and Herzegovina, you may contact us on one of the below mentioned addresses.

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