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Dear Friends,

We present you the November issue of monthly informative bulletin of Youth Resource Centre (ORC) Tuzla and Youth Network of Bosnia and Herzegovina, which, at this moment, gathers **182** organizations and **115** individuals from **75** cities/municipalities/places in BIH.

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.).

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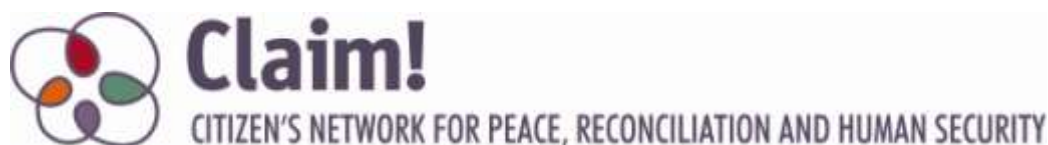
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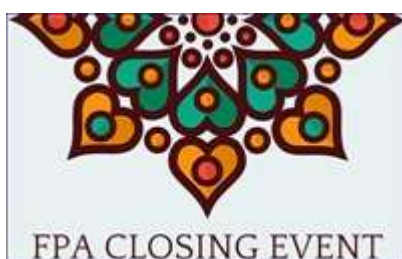
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ORC/HCA ACTIVITIES IN NOVEMBER, 2016

Citizen's network for peace, reconciliation and human security



(FPA) Final Event in Skopje



The final event within the negotiating partnership was held in the period of November 9 to 12, in Skopje. The main objective of this project is to strengthen civil society organizations in the Western Balkans and Turkey. The main organizer of the final event was TASCO, and the sponsor was European Union.

The goal of the final event was to discuss the general development of civil societies in the Western Balkans and Turkey, as well as discussions on possible recommendations for further development of organizations and civil society networks. During the meeting, participants discussed their contribution to specific topics in the Western Balkans and Turkey, as well as identified possible needs in thematic networks: the environment, natural resources, energy and rural development, the fight against corruption, promotion of public procurement, freedom of media, social development, human rights, reconciliation and inclusion. This conference was attended by representatives of all the FPA projects, representatives of governmental and public institutions, as well as representatives of the European Union.



Representatives of organizations - partners in the network: "**Citizen's network for peace, reconciliation and human security**" took the opportunity of this meeting for a working meeting, where they arranged final activities in the project and continuation of mutual cooperation. Public debate on human security was held also on November 12 in the Stone Bridge Hotel in Skopje.

The "Cross - Border Citizen's Network For Peace, Reconciliation and Human Security in Balkans" project is implemented by Helsinki Citizens' Assembly Turkey, together with partners: ADP ZID Montenegro, SeConS Serbia, Institute for Regional and International Studies in Bulgaria, Centre for Research,

Documentation and Publication Kosovo, and Youth Resource Centre Tuzla. The project is supported by the European Union.

Conference on Human Security held in Belgrade



The third international academic conference on human security was held on November 4 and 5 in Belgrade. The conference was organized by: Centre for research of human security at the Faculty of Security Studies, University of Belgrade and "Citizen's network for peace, reconciliation and human security", and supported by the European Commission.

III International Academic Conference on human security aimed at gathering leading academics and researchers, who shared their experiences and research results on all aspects of international migration and human security, as well as global and local health challenges, natural disasters, urban violence in public places and sustainable human development.

Jasmin Jašarević, PRONI Brčko, and Miralem Tursinović, ORC Tuzla were participants from BIH. At the conference, Jasmin Jašarević presented the research on aspects of human security of young people living in "collective centres" or "alternative accommodation" in BIH, which was conducted by ORC and PRONI.



" Crew from the hood - Messages from the province"

We started with the implementation of the project: "Crew from the hood - Messages from the province." The project is implemented in Serbia, Bosnia and Herzegovina and Montenegro with partnership organizations: Forca Požega (Serbia), Youth Resource Centre Tuzla (Bosnia and Herzegovina) and Fenomeni (Phenomena) (Kolašin). Project activities will be implemented in the following municipalities and cities: Zagreb, Prijepolje, Užice, Priboj, Kolašin, Mojkovac, Bijelo Polje, Berane, Brčko, Bijeljina, Zvornik, Zivinice and Tuzla.

Project objectives:

- Improvement of cultural life in small communities;
- Support to the development of creative potential in small towns;
- Decentralization of production and accessibility of high-quality cultural events to citizens in smaller communities;
- Support and promotion of cultural activities, atypical for the conservative environment in which the project is implemented.

Planned activities:

- Meetings with local governments and cultural institutions

- Meetings with creative sectors in small communities (organizations and individuals active in the field of culture and art)
- List of cultural and artistic events in the mentioned municipalities
- Support of young artists in the region

Ivana Jokić is the project coordinator from ORC Tuzla.

In the future period, we plan mapping the capacities in Tuzla, Živinice, Bijeljina, Brčko and Zvornik, as well as interviews with representatives of government and cultural institutions.

The project is supported by the European Cultural Foundation.

ORC Tuzla Youth Group

Sign for life Petition



On Wednesday, November 9 students of "Jala" primary school visited premises of the Youth Resource Centre Tuzla and talked with members of the youth group Merita Sokoli and Adi Selman. Students of this school have followed via media the recently implemented action of ORC Tuzla Youth Group titled "Sign for Life Petition", which introduced the issue of pedestrian safety in traffic. Aware of the fact that they, as students who cross the street every day, have a similar problem, they came to our group members with a request to help them in implementation of their project idea. In fact, their aim is to propose an initiative to the Tuzla City Council on

allocating the speed bump on the road near their school. They asked the group members how they could most effectively direct this appeal to the relevant government institutions. The meeting passed in a great atmosphere, with the hope that the idea of students from "Jala" primary school will have positive final result.

National Dialogue

On Friday, November 18, members of Youth Resource Centre Youth Group, Adi Selman and Ivana Jokić, attended the meeting in Zenica, organized by the Forum of Citizens from Zenica. This meeting represents the activity after the "National Dialogue" conference, which was held in October in Sarajevo. The aim of the meeting was for representatives of organizations from BIH, who have already participated in the Sarajevo "National Dialogue", to define further steps and possibilities,



and to lay emphasis on projects that could be mutually arranged in the future. The meeting was held in constructive conversation with concrete results which will be reflected in further cooperation on the project of "National Dialogue".

„It is difficult, but we are moving step by step“

On Wednesday, November, conference entitled "Business Leadership Conference" was held in Mostar, in the premises of Inter Park. This conference is part of the project "It is difficult, but we move step by step", supported by the Office of the Special Representative of the European Union in Bosnia and Herzegovina, Matt Field.

Marija Jokić and Mirnes Ćerimović participated at the conference in Tuzla, and Mirnes Ćerimović participated in Mostar, too. It was a one-day conference, and before Mostar, it was held in Tuzla. Conferences in Bihać, Bijeljina, Banja Luka and Sarajevo were also announced.



Objective of this gathering is to introduce certain economic regions with its potentials and current status. Number of companies from the region took participation at the conference, from whom the students can get valuable information. Among others, representatives from REDAH agency, N: Soft, N Home, Violet, the Ministry of Economy (HNK), and many start-up companies were also present at the conference.

Social Impact Making

The training course "Making Social Impact" was held in Pančevo, Serbia. The goal of this TC was to learn the know-how and up-to-date tools and techniques with the aim of creating social change through innovative media, information and communication strategy. TC lasted from November 18 to 25, 2016. Total of 17 young people from eight European countries were included in implementation, namely: Serbia, Poland, Bosnia and Herzegovina, the Czech Republic, Portugal, Great Britain, Romania and Spain. Suad Murselović represented the ORC Tuzla Youth Group. This was the second Training Course out of four which are planned to be realized, but the basic idea and goal of the project is to learn about telling





story in the context of social campaigns through practical workshops on data and information in communication.

Beside the above mentioned activities, Youth Group of ORC Tuzla has received funding for the implementation of two projects that are designed and written by the group members:

"Graffiti - art or hooliganism" which is supported by the FTZ Youth Bank, whose aims are education of young people, development of public areas, the protection of cultural and historical monuments and architectural goods. The project will be implemented in March 2017 in Tuzla. The team members responsible for the implementation of the project are: Amila Redžić, Edin Mukić and Samira Halković.

"Be cool and set a standard," which is supported by the Institute for Youth Development KULT. This project aims to increase awareness among young people about the consequences of taking psychoactive substances, increasing the level of awareness about this problem, structuring free time of young people, promoting a healthy lifestyle and how to deal with stress in the family, at school and with peers. Implementation of the project in Tuzla and Brčko will be led by Husein Šljivić and Merita Sokoli until the end of 2016.

ORC AND HCA TUZLA REGULAR ACTIVITIES:

During October, 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. We have ensured the participation of our volunteers in activities of other organizations (Transparency international, KULT Sarajevo, PRONI Brčko, etc.) Also, our project team has continued with the applications for this year's projects.

ORC HCA PLANS FOR DECEMBER, 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;
- Promotion and distribution of new chronicle within the human security project on topic "Elections as a steady threat to the security of BIH citizens"
- Continuation of partnership project "Crew from the hood - Messages from the province", with partners from Serbia (Civil action forum - Forca Požega) and Montenegro (NGO Fenomeni Kolašin).
- Organization of New Year's party for our volunteers and members of ORC Youth Group Tuzla.

Youth Network Members' Activities



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Members of Nova Vizija, who are participants within "Volunteering eco patrols", set benches for rest and finished planning of mountain-cycling paths on the territory of Pavlovica and lake Radovan. Volunteers set two benches at specially chosen places in Pavlovica picnic spot, two at walking path of Pavlovica-Tunel (Tunnel)-Necropolis stećak Maculje and two at the lake Radovan. Within this activity, planning of mountain-cycling path to the stećak necropolis, total length of 2,4 kilometres, was finished within the same day, as well as the path to lake Radovan, length 4,0 kilometres. Security and better ambiance were significantly improved by this project, considering that the necropolis Maculje is now on UNESCO's list of World Heritage sites, and the lake is becoming more attractive to fishermen and mountaineers.



All activities were implemented within the project of Local citizen initiative, financed by the Institute for Youth Development KULT, and it is conducted by youth organization Nova Vizija.

Hope remains that initiatives like this one will gain greater support, and that the inventory will be kept and available to visitors. Activities from this project were also supported by Novi Travnik municipality.



In days of marking Statehood Day, maybe this is the best gift the youth can give to their city, as real campaigns for the community.

For more photos, visit:

<https://www.facebook.com/media/set/?set=a.1347658311925706.1073741895.709805612377649&type=3>

Youth in Novi Travnik chose dialogue as a manner for building better future

Thursday, November 17 - Meeting of high school student councils in Novi Travnik, members of local teams from high school student association and representatives from local government of Novi Travnik was held in the premises of Novi Travnik Youth centre. Meeting was conducted as a part of activities within the Local citizen initiative project, supported by KULT and implemented in Novi Travnik. This was a unique opportunity, because this was the first time student councils, whose education is based on Croatian and Bosnian syllabus, gathered and exchanged information. Youth in this town, especially students, do not have chance and courage to battle with prejudices about divisions in the long time ago "youth city". In this meeting, they openly discussed youth issues and proposed measures to increase dialogue and improve cooperation between youth. Only together, youth can achieve much more.



Nova vizija will initiate mutual meetings and other activities, with the aim of creating healthy ideas and solving problems of youth in this town, because youth deserves better and happier future far from ethnic divisions.



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In November 2016, Administrative committee of Youth Council FBIH had a meeting in Orašje, where the decision about best logo was brought. From all applications received within the Call for Youth Council logo creation, the best was from Darko Kipet. After pronouncing and contacting the winner, all preparations for creation of website, promo materials and all visuals which were mentioned in the Call have begun.

Administrative committee meeting in Orašje was a great opportunity to meet with youth from this community and talk with them about youth activism and generally their conditions. We also had meetings with mayors of municipalities in

Posavina Canton, where we wanted to give support to youth in lobbying for improvement of youth position.

Youth Council of FBIH has started the initiative "AKTIVNI I DANAS!" (Active even today!), because we want to promote youth activism in December. The idea is to motivate as many youth organizations as possible for having activities promoting youth activism in every city / community on daily basis. For the next month, we want to promote all of those activities with **#mladismo** mark.



Last month of the year will be marked by our first reporting Assembly, planned to be held in Mostar. Before the Assembly, Youth Council members will have one training in Sarajevo, with the aim of strengthening the capacity of the organization itself.



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Awards assigned to students with outstanding results

At the ceremony in Bosnian Cultural Centre in Tuzla, 275 students were awarded for outstanding results in cantonal, federal, state and international competitions. We congratulate them sincerely for the awards, especially to our student Lamija Avdibegović from Kladanj, who represented Kladanj with great success and amazing results.



Promotion of production, usage and purchase of domestic products



Is the motto of 7th and 8th graders from Starič school, who have, together with their parents and teacher Jasmina Salihović, finished their several days activities in promotion of production, usage and purchase of domestic products. They paid special attention to homemade, healthy groceries, and to the benefits we all have by trusting and purchasing domestic products. We give special attention to the value of knowledge, presented by students, about quality of domestic products and groceries. LET'S PRODUCE AND PURCHASE DOMESTIC PRODUCTS, IT IS WORTH OF IT!

"No hate" local team Kladanj campaign

One more campaign by our No hate team on November 16 - we distributed symbolic presents with school supplies to children from ethnic minorities, regarding Tolerance Day. Avdibegović Ernada, Mašić Amina, Mašić Namir and Hidić Anesa participated in this campaign.



Competition for best photograph of Kladanj

Winners of the competition for best photograph of Kladanj are students from Mixed high school "Musa Ćazim Ćatić" Kladanj : Rašidović Kenan and Hidić Anesa.



Author: Kenan Rašidović



Author: Anesa Hidić

Talent from Kladanj

Meris Mazalović (18) from Kladanj thrills basketball audience in BIH, as well as coaches he practiced with. He started playing basketball as a third-grader (2007), then he had severe illness. Due to that, he had to ship basketball for more than a year. He was back at the court in 2009 and, as he says, it was hard to compensate the time away, but he was still a great talent and the best in his generation.

As a boy, he was one of the greatest in his generation, he always stood out from others, and achieved amazing individual results. He could score over 50 points in one game.

After outstanding results in BIH, Meris Mazalović went abroad, and now he plays for Bournville College and still has amazing scores.

In the last round of championship, Meris was named from EABL basketball player of the week in the sixth round of 2016/2017 season. Mazalović has scored the final point for 72-71 result for his team against, by then, undefeated Myerscough College. He ended the game by 21 points, 13 jumps and 3 blocks.





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Zenica-Doboj Canton Needs Youth Strategy

The development of youth strategy was once again the main topic of the meeting held by the Ministry of Education, Science, Culture and Sport of Zenica-Doboj Canton (ZDK) and the Institute for Youth Development KULT.

ZDK had its first Youth Development Strategy for the 2009-2014 period and are planning to develop a strategy for the upcoming period.

“The Canton already allocates funds for youth, but it’s good to have an action strategy for this segment of the population, which would allow us to direct the funds better and detect and solve problems faster” – said Minister Mensur Sinanović.

The topics discussed included the development of the Survey on issues and needs of youth in this Canton, and the results achieved through the implementation of the previous Youth Strategy.

“The Institute has been cooperating with municipalities in the Zenica-Doboj Canton for a long time, and supporting youth activities, so I must say that their efforts are very commendable. Youth participates in actions that benefit the society, and are substantially involved in non-formal education processes” – said Jasmin Bešić, Executive Director of the Institute for Youth Development KULT.

The meeting also focused on the current position of youth in BIH, youth issues in the Zenica-Doboj Canton and potential cooperation.



Position of BIH Youth to be discussed at the Transatlantic Forum in Washington

Representative of KULT, Ajka Baručić, will attend the Transatlantic economic Forum, which will be held in December 5 and 6 in Washington. Representatives from 13 countries of Mediterranean region will also participate at the Forum.

This is the first important international multilateral event held in Washington after the presidential elections in the United States. The Forum will be attended by numerous eminent businessmen and women from the US and the region, including the recipients of this year’s SAIS awards: Husni Bey, one of

the richest businessmen from Libya, Ali Haddad, President of the Algerian Business Leaders Forum and CEO of ETHRB, the company managing almost all infrastructural projects in Algiers, and Dušan Knežević, President of the Atlas Group and the Mediterranean University in Montenegro.

Participants from Bosnia and Herzegovina include Željka Cvijanović, Prime Minister of Serb Republic, Goran Mirašić, Advisor to the Prime Minister of FBiH, Mladen Filipović, Representative of the RS Office in Vienna, and others.

One of the participants of the panel on the implementation of reform processes in Bosnia and Herzegovina is Ajka Baručić, Economy Expert at the Institute for Youth Development KULT.

The importance of the Forum for Bosnia and Herzegovina is also evident in the premiere of a promotional film for heritage tourism in BIH, prepared by the America-Bosnia Foundation as an important contribution to the promotion of tourism in BIH.

This event will be a part of the "Mediterranean Basin" project, and will include participants from the transition team of the new US administration, along with highly ranked officials from the State Department, US Department of Defence and re-elected congressmen and senators.

The two-day forum is being held by the SAIS Centre for Transatlantic Relations at Johns Hopkins University, and co-organized by the United States Chamber of Commerce and the America-Bosnia Foundation, the regional strategic partner of the SAIS Centre for Transatlantic Relations.

What Makes a Good Youth Budget?



The fourth module of the Youth Officer training course organised by the Institute for Youth Development KULT has been completed. From 7 to 10 November, 2016, the participants were in Brčko, where they familiarised themselves with the standardisation of the Youth Officer position, basics of youth work, human rights, and the notions of discrimination and prejudice.

The training included discussions on what makes a good youth budget, how to align budget with youth strategies and their implementation, and the importance of team work.

This module included a visit to Anto Domić, the Mayor of Brčko District BIH. The participants from several BIH municipalities took this opportunity to ask the Mayor why Brčko does not have a youth law or youth strategy.

"One of the problems in Brčko District are the contentious issues regarding the youth law; therefore, we have not yet reached the part of the process where we vote on the law", said Anto Domić, Mayor of Brčko District.

This training, attended by 21 Youth Officers i.e. public servants in charge of youth issues, was hosted by the Youth Centre Brčko.

The Youth Officers are required to attend five modules, and at least 80% of the training contains take-home assignments after the first four modules, which is followed by the final test, and after which successful participants are awarded certificates, pursuant to the Manual.

The goal of the training program is to enable the participants to independently perform Youth Officer tasks, by obtaining certificates testifying to their knowledge of youth policy and youth work, and to ensure that public servants or future public servant in charge of youth issues are capable of working with youth, and possess the necessary professional competencies and certificates.

The training program is held in cooperation with the Federal Ministry of Culture and Sports and the Olof Palme Centre, and is in accordance with the Ministry's manual.

Youth Must Not Fall Into Everyday Traps



How to think critically? How to listen to your conversation partner? How to communicate ideas and projects effectively?

These are some of the questions answered by Aida Riđanović, a long-time journalist, for participants of the UMiD training.

During the fifth training module of the “Learn, Think and Act!” training, the participants learned about media literacy, ways of informing the public, organizing press conferences and interacting with the media.

During the practical part of the training, youth had an opportunity to participate in a simulated press conference, conduct an interview, and debate certain topics.

“Youth must be media literate. We must teach them not to fall into everyday traps, particularly since nowadays they're being bombarded with information. They should know how to think critically, to evaluate and base their decisions on critical thinking.” – said Aida Riđanović.

The training includes 24 youth from across Bosnia and Herzegovina, and successful participants will be awarded certificates at the end of the year.

Another Dialogue Beginning with Youth in BIH

The conference “Turn on the Lights for Youth” was held on November 15 and 16, at the Jahorina mountain.

This two-day conference was an opportunity for a discussion on youth issues among representatives of local self-governments, cantonal and entity ministries which supported the process of developing strategic documents for youth in Bosnia and Herzegovina in the last 3 year, and youth – the group most impacted by these processes.

The participants talked about their experiences in creating and implementing youth policies, the cooperation among the youth, non-governmental and government sectors, and harmonising the activities of the youth sector at all levels of government. This was an opportunity to the spotlight back on youth strategies at all levels of government, and identify the most common problems faced by youth and institutions when implementing strategic documents.

The conference was held as one of the activities of the initiative “Strengthening of Structures for Youth Empowerment and Participation”, which was implemented in BIH by the Youth Communication Centre Banja Luka and the Institute for Youth Development KULT, and supported by the EU through the EIDHR program, the Ministry of Family, Youth and Sports of the Government of RS and the Federal Ministry of Culture and Sports.



“The initiative Strengthening Youth Structures in BIH, among other things, strengthens umbrella youth organisations so that they can independently exert a direct influence on improving the position of youth in BIH. In this process, the Institute for Youth Development KULT and the Youth Communication Centre from Banja Luka (OKC) cooperate with entity ministries in charge of youth issues and with other organisations.” – said Katarina Vučković from the Institute for Youth Development KULT.

The conference speakers presented the results of the initiative’s activities over the past three years, and started another dialog with youth in BIH.



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Daily Workshops

Youth organization Svitac (Firefly) has continued with its daily activities in November. 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. This month, younger group, together with international volunteers, made various decorations from natural materials such as branches, leaves, stones, chestnuts, wool, collage and various types of decorative papers. Younger group listened various children's songs intended for their age every Wednesday, in order to practice rhythmic and acquire lyrics. Since almost every week, a new participant joins the workshops, every Thursday they practiced already learnt numbers by using colouring worksheets, repeated shapes and colours in English; they also learned about various animal species, which they coloured later on by using crayons, felt tip pens and coloured pencils. Goal of these activities is for children to develop their imagination and, by using various materials, express their creativity, as well as to develop their motor skills and respect toward others and acquire good manners. In November, number of students who participated in the morning creative workshops was 25.

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



Monday is scheduled for English language, communication, articulation, and a variety of games that promote language learning in the group. The group has also, beside grammatical tasks, practiced communication in English and acquired new vocabulary on topic of Halloween. On Tuesdays - creative expression, making of various decorations. Wednesday is a day for music and learning the basics of piano, including music theory for beginners and reading notes. Every Thursday, older group is divided into two smaller groups and participants have the opportunity to try board games and teamwork, developing a sense of respect for others,

socialization and fair play. Fridays are for workshops of German, as well as for assistance in homework. Workshops are held in the Youth centre in Brčko District. Coordinator of the workshops in October was Slađana Bašić, with the assistance of local and Weltwaerts and EVS international volunteers Alexander Likic from Germany, Monica Reeves, Eleonora Pearson, Ben Owens and Catherine Rolley from Great Britain. Number of participants in the older group is between 15 and 20.

"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 October, the groups of all levels

have worked on texts, adjusted to their knowledge of German language. Project coordinator is an international volunteer from Germany, Alexander Likic. In November, workshops were attended by 10 participants (two 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. In November, participants had a chance to talk about "Halloween" and enrich their vocabulary, as well as introducing themselves to different customs of Halloween in the world. The coordinator of the project is an international volunteer from Great Britain, Monica Reeves. In November, workshops were attended by 10 participants.

"Freeletics" – sports workshops

Sports workshops are held on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 21 to 22 pm in the Youth Centre of Brčko district and are intended for young people who want to improve their motor skills, stamina and physical strength, and to gain new skills and friendships. Project coordinator is Miloš Popić.

Guitar workshops

Workshop participants continued with regular work by rehearsing various etudes and compositions by Rolanda Dyens, Carlo Domeniconi, Francisco Tarrrega, Fernando Sora, as well as duets by Francis Kleyjnans and John Dowland. New participants were introduced to basic note values and instruments.

Samba Workshops

Participants of this workshop practiced two new compositions (Hafla and Van Harte Pardon).

Halloween Party

Youth organization Svitac has organized this year also a Halloween party for children and youth from district Brčko in the premises of Youth Centre. First part was intended for age 4-6 from 11 am to 1 pm, and the youngsters had a chance to participate in various games and watch animated movie "Casper". After that, they had refreshments and competition for the best handmade costume with a reward.



Second part began at 6 pm for the age 8+. With the help of international volunteers, youth organization Svitac organized interesting program, and the participants had a chance to choose between three stations with games typical for Halloween, such as catching apples in water, cookies on a rope, candies in flour, finding hidden objects in decorative boxes and participating in musical chair and freezing statue games. In the final part of the party, the best handmade costume was awarded, and then children enjoyed in refreshments and typical Halloween sweets.

Day Against Fascism 2016.

In this November, youth organization Svitac marked the International Day against Fascism through three workshops in three age groups (participants 3-7 years, 8-15 and 16+). The first group of participants (3-7 years) was encouraged through the method of storytelling to take part in a brief discussion on the topic of 'anti-fascism'. Another group of participants (8-15 years) discussed the topic of fascism with international volunteers, especially the Second World War. With the third group of participants (16+ years) there was a discussion on "Anti-fascism in modern society". Participants had the opportunity to talk about this topic and about the definition of fascism, characteristics and examples of fascism in our modern society. During the discussion, they watched a video clip on "The theory of social influence", which shows a certain psychological patterns of behaviour in human beings, such as the desire to follow and be part of the group or to blindly follow authority.



Tolerance Week

November 10 to 16 - Members of "Promoviši pozitivno" (Promote positive) network against hatred Brčko, whose member is youth organization Svitac, marked the International Day for Tolerance through seven-day activities entitled "Week of Tolerance", with the support of the OSCE Mission to Bosnia and Herzegovina.

Some of the activities were: campaign - coffee for a book under the "Read the book offline, do not hate online" motto, conversation with students of Faculty of Economics in Brčko on notions of tolerance and diversity in their environment and field of work, football game (WFC "Lokomotiva" sent a message of tolerance from football match against WFC "Modriča" demonstrating that differences are also respected in football).

Svitac EVS volunteer, Monica Reeves, has prepared a short film with footages of activities that were held during the week. The film can be seen here:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=UQMnnT5kAcA&t=191s>

All regular activities of youth organization Svitac are planned for December.



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✂ Meeting with OSCE Banja Luka representative.



✂ Festival by coalition Tolerantno i pozitivno (Tolerant and positive) Doboje



✂ Festival by coalition "Tolerantno i pozitivno iz Doboja" held in the courtyard of the Foundation Centre for children and youth through writing and drawing messages of tolerance.



✂ November 16 - International Day for Tolerance marked.



✦ Distribution of humanitarian aid in Saturday and Sunday.



✦ Consultative meeting with CPDC about financing NGO's from the budget.



✦ Representatives of the US Embassy presented the announced public call for projects in the American Corner.



✦ Exhibition of works of women with disabilities, organized by the Association of Paraplegics from R.S.



Announcements/Information/Donors/Calls

Prevent Group: Support youth of Bosnia and Herzegovina program

Prevent Group promotes young and talented ambassadors of Bosnia and Herzegovina through their funds.

Corporate policy of Prevent Group includes the principle by which every successful company should participate in the development of society, the social environment and promotion of collective good of the community through their work. Taking all this into consideration, Prevent gives special attention to the development of local communities and young people in it. We affirm young and talented ambassadors of Bosnia and Herzegovina and help them on the road to achieving their dreams. Through the support of the Foundation Hastor, Prevent scholarships over 1,393 elementary, high school and college students from vulnerable categories.

Through a policy of corporate social responsibility, Prevent gives special attention to fostering relations with the local community and building common values as a basis for the development of the whole society. In order to maintain the above relationships, Prevent Group has been a sponsor of various cultural events, sports clubs and other activities of wider social significance for several years.

Download the form for donations and sponsorships [here](#).

Source: <http://www.hocu.ba/index.php/hocu.priliku/prevent-group-program-podrske-mladima-bosne-i-hercegovine/>

Oxford University will offer free online courses

The highest ranked university in the world will soon join prestigious institutions like Berkeley, Harvard and MIT in offering free massive open online courses.

Starting in February 2017, Oxford University will partner with non-profit online learning platform edX to teach a freely available economics class titled, "From Poverty to Prosperity: Understanding Economic Development."

Main lecturer of the course will be Oxford Economics and Public Policy professor Sir Paul Collier, and he will examine "the vital role that governments play in boosting economic development."

"The School's mission is to improve government around the world through research and education, and this requires better educated public officials, teachers, entrepreneurs, journalists and citizens," Professor Ngaire Woods, the Dean and professor at Oxford.

Enrolment is open now [through edX's platform](#), and you can expect to spend about two to three hours per week on the six-week course. The materials will also be available to view after the course closes.

Maybe Oxford was inspired by preparation for Black Friday offers where [thousands of online courses were offered for 10 dollars.](#)

Source: <http://www.hocu.ba/index.php/hocu.priliku/oxford-univerzitet-krece-sa-besplatnim-online-kursevima/>

Grants for Grass Roots projects (GAGP)

The Grant Assistance for Grassroots Projects (GAGP) was introduced by the Government of Japan in 1989, to supplement the General Grant Aid scheme. Since 1996, over 180 projects with a total sum of approx 10 million EUR or 19 million KM have been implemented in Bosnia and Herzegovina under the GAGP scheme.

While the two schemes share the goal of helping developing countries meet basic human needs as well as various socio-economic development challenges, the GAGP focuses on supporting local communities and people more directly.

Under the GAGP, grants are awarded to public institutions (Municipalities and municipal public companies), primary schools, health care centres or NGOs which carry out relatively small scale projects.

2. Priorities

Japan supports a wide range of projects which deal with basic human needs as well as human security issues. In Bosnia and Herzegovina, the majority of projects which are implemented with the GAGP fall within the following categories:

- Humanitarian mine action
- Public health
- Education
- Social protection
- Rural development

3. Applicants:

Eligible applicants include: Local authorities (Municipalities and municipal public companies), Primary Schools, Primary healthcare institutions (Dom Zdravlja) and local and international non-governmental organisations.

Ineligible applicants include: individuals, central governmental organisations (eligible in exceptional cases), kindergartens, research institutions, higher educational institutions, hospitals (bolnica), political organisations, religious institutions.

4. Grant

The GAGP finances the construction or the purchase of facilities, equipment and/or materials. All requested materials, equipment and services should generally be procured from domestic suppliers. Grants only cover the cost of procurement of goods / services without VAT.

Administrative and operational costs are not eligible.

The maximum available fund per project is 10 million JPY (approx 80,000EUR or 156,000KM). For humanitarian mine action projects, however, maximum grant per project can be exceeded 10 million JPY.

The GAGP will not extend funds to projects such as cultural and sports events, business-oriented activities, and religious activities.

5. Submission of Application and Procedure to Follow

1. Application Submission

Application should be written in local or English language and delivered by mail to the Embassy: Bistrik 9, 71000 Sarajevo. Application are accepted all throughout the year.

2. Examination and approval

The Japanese Embassy in Bosnia and Herzegovina examines the goal, cost and expected socio-economic impact of each project. From all the projects under consideration, the Embassy makes a pre-selection of those that best correspond to the GAGP goals, and the Embassy staff shall pay a visit to those potential projects sites. The Embassy then recommends them to the Japanese Foreign Ministry, which finally approves the application.

3. Grant Contract (G/C)

After the final approval, the Embassy and the recipient organisation conclude a grant contract (G/C). G/C includes the title, goal, and the content of the project as well as the maximum amount of GAGP fund to be provided, and a “proper use clause”.

4. Disbursement of Funds

The recipient organisation, then, has to conclude a procurement contract (P/C) for goods and/or services with each supplier. If that is not possible, the recipient organisation must obtain a confirmation of the delivery of goods and/or services with the original costs from the supplier. The Embassy reviews the P/C (or the confirmation), and will disburse the fund when it has confirmed that the costs are appropriate. In general, the duration of a project (the time necessary for the procurement of goods and/or services) should be up to 1 year.

5. Reporting

GAGP recipients are requested to report on the project after completion (in the case of larger projects, recipients will be asked to report more than once). The Embassy staff may also visit project sites to see whether the funds have been spent on the purposes agreed upon.

For more information, visit: <http://www.bosnia.emb-japan.go.jp/BHS/EconomicGAGP.html>



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, around 25.000 euros.

For more information, visit:

<http://www.bosch-stiftung.de/content/language2/html/61514.asp>



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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