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Dear friends,

We present to you the **October** issue of monthly informative bulletin of Youth Resource Centre (YRC) Tuzla and Youth Network of Bosnia and Herzegovina, which, at this moment, gathers **183** 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 (YRC) 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:

Informative Bulletin (as well as the archive of our previous editions) on the BiH Youth Network's website:

www.omladina-bih.net



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ORC/HCA ACTIVITIES IN OCTOBER 2017



Anna Lindh Fondacija
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International Conference 'Educate for Dialogue' in Euro-Mediterranean region, Piran 9th to 10th October

The conference was held on October 9th and 10th in Piran, Slovenia organized by Anna Lindh Foundation in cooperation with the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, the Ministry of Education, Science and Sport of the Republic of Slovenia and the Euro-Mediterranean University (EMUNI).



Emil Balavac, representative of the Youth Club 'Under the same Sun' Jablanica, a member of the ALF BiH was invited to speak as an introductory speaker at the panel 'Global Trends in Intercultural Civic Education' and to present the good practice achieved through the 'Learning indeed' project supported by the Anna Lindh Foundation.

In his speech, he spoke about the importance of dialogue and education in the Euro-Mediterranean region with a focus on Bosnia and Herzegovina. Emil also talked about the importance of sharing information and knowledge, connecting via all fields throughout the region, but also about the importance

of young people's participation in all of these processes, as well as in solving the challenges we face in the region.

In addition to his introductory speech, Emil also presented the results of the 'Learning indeed' one-year project, which was aimed at contributing to the development of intercultural dialogue among marginalized young people from the Euro-Mediterranean region, educating them about others and the 'different' ones, introducing them to stereotypes, prejudices, discrimination and xenophobia, and ways to combat these negative trends.

This conference had a goal of opening a debate and advocating intercultural civic education as a

central tool for intercultural dialogue and to provide a set of recommendations for governments, schools, trainers and other relevant actors in the region. In addition, the conference has provided an



opportunity for networking and sharing of good practices and the creation of a common approach to the promotion of intercultural civic education.

The conference also presented the recently published Handbook for Intercultural Citizen Education in the Euro-Mediterranean Region of the Anna Lindh Foundation.

The conference hosted more than 100 participants from the countries of the Euro-Mediterranean region. Among others there were professors, co-publishers, representatives of the government institutions of the Republic of Slovenia, universities, international organizations, UN, Council of Europe, institutions of the European Union, as well as representatives of media and civil society organizations.

'Youth for a better future'



Within the project 'Youth for a Better Future', realized by the members of the Youth Resource Center in October, a video entitled 'Life in Tuzla, Year 2017' was filmed and broadcast. You can find the video on the following link:

<https://www.facebook.com/ORCTuzla/videos/1548994761815457/>

We invite all readers to share the video on their profiles and thus support our desire for a society of young people without discrimination.



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Social networks and the fight against terrorism

In the capital of the Republic of Austria, on October 11th and 12th, a training was held on the theme of hate speech and extremism on social networks which was organized by Facebook and the OSCE. Two-day training was attended by participants from all over Europe who had the opportunity to network and share their experiences. The work of Youth Resource Center on these activities in Bosnia and Herzegovina was commented by our representative Slobodan Blagovčanin.



RYCO info session

In the premises of the 'Network' Foundation in Sarajevo on October the 26th, an info session about the invitation for projects was published by the Regional Youth Office for Cooperation in the Western Balkans. During the three-hour presentation, the participants were able to get acquainted with the conditions for applying for the aforementioned funds.



Interested organizations can find more information on the site: www.RYCOWB.org

Youth group ORC Tuzla

Youth Summit (Re:Generation)

From September 29th to October 1st 2017, the Youth Summit was held in Sarajevo within the program 'Re: Generation'. The summit brought together 150 young people from 10 municipalities in BiH: (Jajce, Stolac, Drvar, Doboje, Brcko, Kotor Varos, Gornji Vakuf / Uskoplje, Zvornik, Sanski Most and Prijedor).

The goal of the Summit, which is being implemented with the support of USAID, is to provide participants with the opportunity to participate in a series of workshops, panels and plenary sessions on topics such as reconciliation, peace culture, problem solving in local communities through the implementation of projects that advocate reconciliation, as well as the role a film can have in the process. The Summit organizers are the International Republican Institute (IRI) and Magacin Kabare.



Representatives of the Youth Network's Youth Group were Alija Selimbasic and Emir Karamujic.

Conflict and the conflict of transformation

In Tuzla on 11th October, a workshop on the topic of conflict and transformation conflict was held. The workshop was held in the American Corner of the JU Library 'Dervis Susic'. The participants of this event were representatives of coalitions from Tuzla.

The main goal of the workshop is to train the skills of constructive conflict resolution. Through the workshop, the participants had the opportunity to go through a short theoretical presentation and one example closer to finding out the ways to solve the problem with a mutual satisfaction ending.



Representatives of the Youth Network's Tuzla Youth Group were Amina Dzafic and Emir Karamujic.

Strengthening the mechanisms for combating discrimination and hate crimes in Tuzla



On October 19th, a roundtable was held in Tuzla on the topic 'Strengthening the Mechanisms for Combating Discrimination and Hate Crimes in Tuzla'. The aim was to establish the cooperation of non-governmental organizations with institutions responsible for dealing with cases of discrimination.

Representatives of the police, courts, the Commission for Human Rights and Freedoms of the City Council of Tuzla and non-governmental organizations gathered at the round table. Participants discussed strengthening the capacities of civil society representatives to effectively identify, report and respond in cases of discrimination, using relevant instruments and mechanisms.

The Round Table Organizer is the Coalition for Hate Fighting from Tuzla, with the support of the OSCE Mission in Bosnia and Herzegovina. The round table was also attended by the members from Youth Group of the Youth Resource Center Tuzla, Merita Sokoli and Amila Selimbasic.

United Nations Day



Center and YES Alumni Bosnia and Herzegovina.

The education was conducted by Emir Karamujic in front of OGORC and Pavle Lakic in front of YES Alumni BiH.

A workshop on the occasion of the United Nations Day was held in the American Corner of Tuzla on October 24th. The aim of the workshop is to inform people about the purpose, goals and achievements of the UN, informing about the UN in Bosnia and Herzegovina and discussing the goals of sustainable development and their implementation in BiH. After the workshop was finished, the participants were given certificates for the participation in the workshop. The workshop was organized by the Youth Group of the Youth Resource

REGULAR ORC/HCA TUZLA ACTIVITIES

In October we worked on sustain and development of coordination and communication within the BiH Youth Network (www.omladina-bih.net). Within the confines of this we distributed interesting information for the youth and the youth activism in BiH on a daily basis to the mailing list of the network (posta@omladina-bih.net), but also on other addresses across Bosnia & Herzegovina and the region. We corresponded with organizations and the individuals appealed by the network's work and responded to queries about specific activities, education and all the other information about the activism of the youth in BiH.

ORC/HCA PLANS FOR NOVEMBER 2017.

- Implementation of regular activities through the Youth Network in Bosnia & Herzegovina;
- Finalizing activities and reporting on 7 ALF (2015. – 2017. activities) Preparing a plan of ALF BiH Network's activities in the upcoming period
- Continue to work on winding up funds for the year 2017.
- Within the project 'YOUth 4 better future', we are planning to visit our partners and prepare for the training.

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Advertising Challenge Zenica 2017 competition held

An interesting competition was held in the full hall of the Youth Center INPUT. Young people between the age of 18 and 35 commented on and evaluated the advertisements of global companies and thus gave the representatives of BiH companies in the fields of food, furniture and services an insight into what should be focused on in forming their marketing plans. The benefits of this competition are mutual, the formation and presentation of the participants' position on certain advertisements and an assistance for the businessmen in creation of modern and innovative advertising solutions.



'Soon the competition of BH advertisements will follow', it was announced by the president of INPUT, Adi Salčinović.

The workshop 'Fake freedom' held in INPUT



In the **INPUT Center for Youth** in October, a workshop 'Fake Freedom' was held on the topic of alcohol presence in society, especially among young people who are the primary target group of the alcohol industry.

INPUT Youth Center from Zenica is a member of the 'Alcohol-free lifestyle' network aimed at protecting children and young people by affirming healthy

lifestyles and creating a healthy and safe environment within organizational programs, values and principles and the areas in which young people live.

This workshop was held by trainers from the **Center for youth education from Travnik**, where during a two-hour workshop they talked with young people about social myths and alcohol, the implications we inherited from the past generations, the relation of the individuals and the society towards alcohol, the adoption of behavior in relation to alcohol consumption through gender roles and also the role and importance of alcohol advertising in encouraging young people to consume it.



The participants were representatives of the councils of the students of the **First Gymnasium** and they said that these phenomena had not been seen in this light so far because they were so entrenched and ubiquitous that we all accepted them as an integral part of life. This is in keeping with the fact of how strong alcohol industry is and how it stops at nothing in order to achieve its goals.

These workshops are held within the project 'NEET Inclusion' which is financed by the network 'ACTIVE - Sobriety, Friendship and Peace', yhay aims to promote and affirm healthy lifestyles among young people, without alcohol and other drugs.

Robotics and coding in INPUT

For many years, INPUT has been organizing various education and programming courses in programming and robotics. We are the only one in the City of Zenica who provide this kind of education for children and young people. During October, interactive classes were held for elementary school 'Edhem Mulabdic' 6th graders, where students had the opportunity to acquire new knowledge in the field of coding and robotics. Adi Salcinovic, the leader of the programming and robotics school, pointed out that the interest of children and young people in this field prevails. Children had the opportunity to meet and work with Lego Mindstroms robots, mBot robots as well as arduino, raspberry pi and scratch. In this way, children develop the desire to learn programming and robotics, because through practical work they have the opportunity to show their creativity and knowledge.



Bosnian – Turkish muhabet

In the Center for Youth INPUT, a gathering called 'Bosnian-Turkish muhabet' with Turkish tea and Bosnian coffee was held at the end of October. The goal of this social gathering was to bring together young people and exchange their experiences with young people from Turkey. Young people from BiH and Turkey enjoyed the pleasant atmosphere of the INPUT ambience center with tea and coffee, where they talked about the natural beauty of Turkey and Bosnia and Herzegovina, as well as customs in Bosnia and Turkey and how much Turkism is used in BiH. In the end they concluded that there is a lot of similarities between Bosnia and Turkey, and that many young people are going to study in Turkey. Youth from Turkey said they enjoy when they come to Bosnia and that Bosnians and Herzegovians are very kind and approachable people and that BiH has a lot of natural beauty and historical sites.



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Business forum 'Dissipating economy for new job openings' on November the 8th in Neum

Business forum 'Dissipating economy for new job openings', dedicated to the economy and the businessmen will be organized in the 'Grand' Hotel in Neum, on the 8th of November 2017.



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The Forum is intended for all businessmen, young entrepreneurs, representatives of the governmental, academic and non-governmental sector, students and all who want and think that they can improve the situation in BiH economy.

The forum will discuss the burdens restricting the growth and development of the economy in the Federation of BiH with a focus on the Herzegovina-Neretva Canton and Neum Municipality, the opportunities for their overcoming, initiatives and activities that are being undertaken for the purpose of economic reforms, programs and measures of incentives for employment and self-employment, especially of the young people and opportunities and obstacles to start a business.

Among other things, the results of the research on the allocation of budgetary incentives to the economy in the period 2012-2015 will be presented as well as the BH initiative for the businessman to pay VAT to the state at the charged instead of issued invoices.

The topics will be addressed by representatives of the relevant government institutions, prominent experts in the field of economy, business environment and employment, entrepreneurs of successful companies and young entrepreneurs.

Business forum is organized by the Institute for Youth Development KULT, under the auspices of the Chairman of the Presidency of BiH dr. Dragan Covic in cooperation with the Federal Ministry of Development, Entrepreneurship and Crafts and the Municipality of Neum.

Business forum is organized within the initiative called 'Business space BH', implemented by the Institute for Youth Development KULT since 2014 within the Civil Society Sustainability Project in Bosnia and Herzegovina (CSSP), implemented by the Center for Civil Initiatives (CCI) and the Center for Civil Initiatives Civil Society Promotion (CPCD) and supported by the United States Agency for International Development (USAID).

How to study, teach and approach adolescents?

In October, the first training module 'Learn, Think and Act! for adults' was held in Sarajevo, and work with pupils in the classroom and at school was only one of the topics of this module.

'This is a great refreshment in my hitherto professional experience. A lot of useful information. How to learn and teach, how to approach adolescents and other age groups, how to keep time, tolerance, compromise - all of the topics we are working on and which enhance my knowledge and will surely make me a better teacher' - said Nina Neimarlija, an English language professor.



'Learn, Think and Act! for Adults' is the training of non-formal education intended for adults who in formal education work directly with children and young people. This training program was created in response to the need to provide support for secondary school teachers in the development of competencies necessary for the successful planning and implementation of the learning and teaching process based on the principles of experiential learning, the usage of effective and relevant teaching methods and strategies and the creation of a safe and stimulating environment in which students will feel supported and motivated while at the same time be trained to study throughout their lives.

The Institute, with its partners, organizes training for three modules in duration of three working days. Using this training, the Institute aims to support people working with young people and to improve their skills and knowledge for the development of youth work and youth in BiH. In addition to training, participants will also have practical work in their community.

The training is attended by participants from fourteen local communities from all over Bosnia and Herzegovina, who work directly with adolescents through formal education.

The trainers within these modules are Radmila Rangelov-Jusovic and Nedim Krajisnik from the Center for Educational Initiatives Step by Step.

Economy reforms have no alternative

The Institute for the Development of Youth KULT published in October the third edition of the Bulletin of the Network for creating a better business environment in Bosnia and Herzegovina under the title 'Reforms of the economy have no alternative'.

Through the Bulletin, the Initiative for Amending the VAT Law and the Budgetary Incentives for Economy in BiH in 2015 were presented, with proposals for measures to improve the allocation process.

A review was also made of the previous held Business Forums across BiH, but also the answer to the question of whether UOUIO has an analysis of what the effects on the filling of the budget would have had if a change in the law would happen according to which the VAT would be paid via charged receipt.

The newsletter was created within the initiative 'Business space BH' implemented by the Institute for Youth Development KULT, which started with the goal of contributing to resolving systemic problems in the employment sector involving a wider number of actors from the business, public and civil sectors, as well as the media joined in on an active, functional and regionally represented Network, the so-called Network for creating a better business environment in BiH. The intention is to create a more favorable business climate based on streamlined and focused legislative advocacy, through significantly improved and budgeted support programs for small and medium-sized entrepreneurship, arranging the distribution of various budget incentives to the economy, and introducing legal relief in the collection of taxes and payment of contributions for new employees.

The network is open to all stakeholders who believe they can contribute to creating a better business environment and job creation in BiH.

You can download the bulletin here: www.mladi.org





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PRONI Center for Youth Development presented its new project „Youth workers countering violent extremism“



Representatives of the PRONI Center for Youth Development presented a new project titled 'Youth Workers Countering the Violent Extremism' on Wednesday, October 25th in which 30 young people from northeast Bosnia, and according to the public call, will pass a one-year training on how to recognize violent forms of behavior on the Internet, in school and other institutions or in everyday life.

The invitation for participants is open until November 16th and is on the official website of PRONI.

PRONI participated in an info session in Sarajevo

PRONI Center in an info session [Foundation Networks](#) organized by [Regional Youth Cooperation Office - RYCO](#). More on RYCO on the following link: www.rycowb.org

PRONI participated in a Forum

PRONI Center participated in the forum 'Encouraging Social Entrepreneurship in BiH', which is organized by [CDP "Globus"](#). The project was supported by the Embassy of the Kingdom of Netherlands in Sarajevo.





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MEDICUS and UKC Tuzla fighting strokes

'World Stroke Day' is a global project that has traditionally been held in Bosnia and Herzegovina in several cities, where Tuzla occupies a central place with its project activities. The project was conducted by the Association of Students of the Medical Faculty of the University of Tuzla 'MEDICUS' in cooperation with the Clinic for Neurology of the University Clinical Center Tuzla.



Given the devastating results of the annual rate of stroke and lack of information, the central activity of the project was given to a public tribune entitled 'Stroke can be Prevented and Treated', which took place at the Faculty of Medicine in Tuzla on Friday, October 27th, 2017.



the project for the municipality of Gračanica.

At the beginning of the panel, all participants were addressed by Prof. dr. Dzevdet Smajlovic, as the head of the Clinic for Neurology UKC Tuzla, doc. dr. Zikrija Dostojic, head of the Unit for the treatment of stroke of the Clinic for Neurology UKC Tuzla, as well as the president of the student association 'MEDICUS', Sejfo Begic. In addition to the aforementioned, the lecture was held by the project coordinators Rabotic Ilvana and Mujanovic Adnan, with an overview of activities in previous years and the history of stroke. Considering that this year, besides the city of Tuzla, the project activity included other municipalities, the attendees were addressed by Edina Camdzic, the coordinator of

After the first part of the debate, the questions of all the participants followed. Participants in the public tribune were mostly members of the younger population, which indicates a high level of youth awareness when it comes to this disease and the desire for additional information. Unfortunately, the lack of participants in the elderly population is an indication of the lack of interest in this health promotion group, which is reflected in the devastating statistics of high rates of illness and mortality. Citizens of the Tuzla Canton, representatives of

numerous institutions and organizations, pupils and teachers of secondary schools and other interested parties took part in the public debate.

In addition to a public forum, on the World Stroke Day, on Sunday, 29th October two health promotion events took place in Bingo City Center and Merkator Center Tuzla where citizens could receive free information about stroke, blood pressure, lipid levels and others. Both promotions gathered a large number of citizens who received all the necessary information about the risk factors of stroke, thanks to our project partner KRKA pharmaceuticals project, who donated all the necessary equipment for these activities.





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'Capture a movie' successfully held



The movie festival 'Capture a movie' was held in Banja Luka on Friday, October 13th organized by the HO 'Partner' in the Music Pavilion 'Staklenac'. Thanks to the cooperation between HO 'Partner' and the Creative-affirmative organization Parnas from Novi Sad, the Movie Festival about People with Disabilities, which has been held in Banja Luka since 2011, has become a part of the regional festival that is still taking place in Novi Sad (Serbia) and Rijeka (Croatia).

724 films have arrived for the duration of the competition from all over the world: India,

Iran, America, Spain, Italy and Russia. The jury had a difficult task to choose the films that will be shown at the Festival.

This year's festival was prepared by a young but promising team led by the director of the Festival Dusica Lipovac, and they are ready to work on the fact that the Festival 'Capture a movie' will continue to improve year after year.

Since this year, we have a new team member, 'KAMERKO' - a mascot of the Festival which was created through the ideas of our team. It was painted by the skillful hands of Mile Micic pulling him out of his imagination, and it became tangible in the workshop 'Lukac' in Belgrade.

One of the main goals of the organizer is that in the years to come, 'Capture a movie' is found on the cultural map of Banja Luka, Republika Srpska and BiH.

The festival was officially opened by the actress of the National Theater RS, Sladjana Zrnica, stressing the importance of the 'Capture a movie' festival: 'By popularizing various events, projects, activities we promote art created by people with disabilities along with their own activism and work which contributes to improving their social position. This festival is of cultural significance not only for our city, but for the entire region,' Zrnica pointed out.

Special guests were children from the Service Center 'Give us a Chance-Stars', who illuminated the festival with their dance choreography.

The screening was opened by the film 'Inner me' by Antonia Span, who has taken part in many international film festivals while his popularity continues to grow. It is a documentary about courageous,



disabled women. He received the Best Documentary Film Award at the International Film Festival 'Capture this day with me! / Capture a movie' in Novi Sad, and he won the same prize in Cannes in 2016.

At this year's festival, films from different parts of the world are displayed that change the public's perspective towards people with disabilities. Many of the films were rewarded at the festival in Novi Sad as well as at international film festivals. All of these films send strong messages: if we tackle life with great strength and courage we can go through life and overcome all obstacles, prejudices, discrimination, dreams come true if you firmly believe in them, and disability is not an obstacle which should prevent us fulfill our life goals, the significance of the implementation of the UN Convention on the rights of people with disabilities, the importance of personal assistance to OSI...



During the festival there was an exhibition of photographs 'People with Quality', and awarded plaques and awards to the authors:

1. Armin Durgut from Sarajevo,
2. Milica Ijadic from Trebinje,
3. Borislav Zdrinja from Banjaluka.

During the festival day, the debate on the topic 'Persons with Quality' was held and the participants were successful personalities in the field of sports, art, film and journalism: Milica Ijadic, Adisa Kisic, Anja Kavic, Maja Isovica Dobrijevic, Igor Ignjatovic and Dajana Tadic.



As in the previous years, the festival was attended by the audience of Banja Luka, guests from Tuzla, Prijedor and Trebinje.



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H.O. 'Merhamet' Dobož's activities in September are plentiful. In addition to ongoing activities, which include: recording membership fees, printing applications, complaints, various letters, photocopies for Merhamet users, members' work, providing information, distribution of humanitarian assistance, project development and attendance at seminars, round tables and other sessions, HO 'Merhamet' Dobož did the following in October:

'Tolerant and Positive' Coalition meeting

Was held on 4th October, during the International Day of the Elderly. At the meeting, we agreed on the activities that follow. We also visited the library in Dobož, where information about Anna Frank is located. On this occasion, all who were present could find out much information about Anna Frank's life, about the suffering her and her family went through. The presentation was very interesting and instructive for everyone who was present.



On 11th October, a regional Merhamet Banja Luka meeting was held, where the results of previous work had been summed up and proposed activities for the future period.

'Merhamet' activists Dobož had an opportunity to attend a meeting in Maglaj, held on the occasion of the arrival of the representative of 'Medicament Solidaris'. At the meeting, there was a discussion about the situation in Dobož and the situation with Merhamets and financial status. The discussion related to activities for cooperation continuation due to the medicine donation, as their assistance is of great importance for socially vulnerable categories. In the previous donations, the above mentioned organizations were about to inform the donor about each drug that was issued and to take photographs when picking them up, and also feedback was sent. We hope that in the future we will have successful cooperation, as before.



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Action of testing blood sugar levels

On October the 24th, at the 'Stjepan Radic' Primary School in Stipanici, the Diabetes Association 'New Life' Tomislavgrad, carried out an action to measure blood sugar for the purpose of early detection and timely treatment of diabetes. This campaign was attended by a lot of pupils from the first to the fifth grade but also by the school staff. The action was carried out with the consent of the parents and in cooperation with the Tomislavgrad Health Center. All students received educational material in order to inform themselves better about this disease. We plan to continue our action in other schools in the rural areas of Tomsk.



The action was conducted in the Elementary school 'Mokronoge' as well.





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Within the project *Comprehensive approaches to involving young men and the media in the prevention of violence against women and domestic violence in Bosnia and Herzegovina - Youth Initiative*, in Travnik on the European square a campaign called *'Maybe you hear me'* was held. The campaign was realized by the members of *'Be a man club'* Travnik, who were gathered by a youth association *'New Vision'*, whose headquarters are in Novi Travnik.



The campaign was also attended by members of the partner organization Perpetuum Mobile (Banja Luka), a representative of UN Women's Office in BiH, representatives of the Center for Social Assistance Novi Travnik. The members of the Travnik police station also gave tremendous support, who sent the words of support to the young people, but also recognized the importance of such actions.



The members of the association performed a performance, the topic of which was violence against women, after which they walked through the city with the banners and talked with the citizens about this global problem. This was an opportunity for Travnik citizens to get to know the work of 'Be a man club,' campaigns conducted by young people, but also to give their contribution in the fight against this negative phenomenon which is unfortunately present in our society. With a multisectoral approach and a genuine struggle, we can all change this society together and work to reduce violence while educating young people is recognized as the best model. The Youth Program which is used in the methodology of the work 'Be a male' club Travnik is internationally recognized and implemented in several other cities in our country, as well as in the countries of the region. Part of the program relates to direct cooperation with schools, the implementation of peer workshops, peer education trainings, performance and community actions. This is an opportunity for young people to learn through the developed methodology on combating violence, working on the promotion of healthy lifestyles, and socializing with peers who want a safer society. Young people want to give their contribution in the fight against violence against women and our task is to support their efforts. 'The New Vision', in cooperation with partner organizations and institutions will continue with similar activities in the upcoming period.



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Daily workshops



In October, the Svitac Youth Organization continued its day-to-day activities. Participants were divided into two groups, those aged 4-7 years each day from 11:00h to 13:00h and those aged 8+ from 14:00h to 15:30h. The coordinator of the morning workshops had prepared a plan of activities for informal learning through play, imagination and creativity. In the course of the month for the children aged 4-7, creative workshops were organized, where the participants made paper books, apples, rabbits and frogs. They had also learned new words from English related to the seasons, months and animals and began to learn the text of the song and

continued with the alphabet in our native language. One day in the week had been planned for a joint viewing of cartoons and competitive games. The materials used for the realization of these workshops were glue, cardboard, collage paper, drawing blocks, wax paints, markers, wooden and water colors. The goal of these activities is for children to develop their imagination and use their endless creativity to express their creativity, but also to develop motoring skills and respect for others and to adapt good behavior. This month, up to 20 participants attended morning day workshops.

The afternoon group follows the schedule that is different every day, trying to cover as many different topics and activities as possible. (age 8+) Mondays are scheduled for creative workshops and creative expression. This month, the participants expressed their creativity through creating bags of old T-shirts, making a pencil box and learning origami - the paper bending technique. Tuesdays are for English language lessons, communication, exclamation, and various games that promote the learning of a foreign language in a group. This month, besides grammar, the group also trained in English on the subject of domestic life, seasons and weather conditions. On Wednesday, Turkish workshops were held where participants had the opportunity to adapt the basics of the Turkish language, vocabulary concerning seasons and weather conditions. Every Thursday, a group of participants is divided into two smaller ones and the attendees have the opportunity to choose one of the sporting activities: tennis, badminton or volleyball, or even some of the stations with mini-games. Participants have the opportunity to try out social games and team work developing a sense of respect for each other, socializing and fair play.



The German language workshop is scheduled for Friday where the participants through games and team work have the opportunity to do their homework, improve communication and vocabulary, and by playing games learn additional words related to animals, seasons and weather.

The workshops are held in the Brcko District Youth Center.

'Let's speak German' – communicational workshops in German language with native speakers

German language workshops are held every Thursday in the premises of the Youth Center Brcko District from 17:30 - 19:30h. At the beginning of the workshop, the coordinator asks a few questions from the general knowledge in German and by doing this introduces the group into their tasks. This month the group worked on communication and continued to work on texts adapted to their level of German language. The group also worked on listening exercises, writing and reading. German language communication workshops are designed for those who want to learn the basics of grammar, but also to improve existing knowledge and acquire new experiences and acquaintances.

'I love English' – communicational workshops in English language with native speakers



English language workshops are held every Wednesday in the premises of the Brcko District Youth Center from 19:00 to 20:00h. English language communication workshops are intended for anyone who wants to learn the basics of grammar, the usage of everyday phrases and other elements but also to improve the existing knowledge and acquire new experiences and acquaintances.

'Let's learn Turkish' – communicational workshops in Turkish language with native speakers

Turkish language workshops are held on Tuesdays in the premises of the Brcko District Youth Center from 18:00h to 19:00h. Turkish language communication workshops are intended for those who want to learn the basics of grammar, the usage of everyday phrases and other elements but also to improve the existing knowledge and acquire new experiences and acquaintances. Participants practiced everyday, simple dialogues this month.

Sports Workshops

Sports workshops are held on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 4:00 pm to 5:00 pm in the premises of the Brcko District Youth Center and are intended for young people who want to improve their motor skills, fitness and physical strength and acquire new skills and acquaintances.

Guitar Workshops

The participants of the guitar workshop continued with their regular work.

Samba Workshops

The participants practiced the compositions they played in the previous months.

European day of Language

The Youth Organization Svitac, on September 26th, 2017 in the Brcko Youth Center in cooperation with Glossa - the center for the German language Brcko, marked the European Day of Languages. From 14h to 16h the doors of the Youth Center were open to all interested in the creative-lingual workshops

(English, German and Turkish), the cartoon – 'Die Ratatouille Maus' - at 17:30h and the film – 'Fackju Göhte' - at 19:30h for those aged 16+.

Through games and entertainment, the youngest had the opportunity to learn the basic vocabulary of German and Turkish on the subject of autumn and domestic animals, while in English they tackled puzzles and crossword puzzles. Over 40 participants took part in the workshops.



International Day of Non-Violence



Youth organization 'Svitac', on 2nd October, 2017 together with young and awesome buddies celebrated the International Day of Non-Violence. The youngest participants (4-7 years old) through games and activities became 'Knights of Peace and Friendship' of the Youth Organization Svitac. A discussion was held adapted to their age on the topic of violence and they learned that there is a distinctive difference between verbal and physical violence. After that, they mentioned what, being knights and all should do in order not to cause violence and they concluded that they should be good friends, to take care of and respect each other, of others and the environment and to assist whenever they can. If they noticed someone doing anything bad, most of the participants in the workshop said they would notify an adult of this or ignore it.

At the end of the worksheet, they all painted a knight in the shining armor and instead of the sword in his arms he beared a bouquet of flowers as a symbol of love and devotion.

Participants from the older group had a small game that encouraged them to find solutions to problems through non-violent means. Then they had a discussion on non-violence, also adapted to their age. They answered the questions asked, if they were to be involved in such a situation, they could resolve the problem in a peaceful way, not using violence or hate messages.

In the second part of the workshop participants made a poster bearing messages of peace and love in Serbian / Bosnian / Croatian, English, Macedonian, Turkish, Chinese and German.



November is planned for continuation of regular activities.



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Sports is the best communication

Within the project 'Sport is the best communication', young peacekeepers from Jajce and Donji Vakuf searched for treasures in Banja Luka. Within the planned activities of the Youth Club 'Dijamant' and ŽOK 'Jajce-Nansen' the young people from youth organizations DVOC from Donji Vakuf stayed in Banja Luka, with the goal being to discover the treasures of Banja Luka at three locations. All significant sites were visited and discovered. The participants additionally enriched their knowledge of tradition, culture, customs, historical and natural beauty of Banja Luka through the workshop 'Beauty in Diversity'.



Participants' opinions suggest that precisely in this diversity is the wealth and beauty of Bosnia and Herzegovina hidden and that this diversity should not separate us, but it should be nurtured and glorified.

All participants were involved in planned project activities. They had the task of discovering three locations in the city and they had the right to help the citizens and young people of Banja Luka. In this way, the young people directly participated in the invention of goods and strengthened the interaction between citizens and young people while also being able to recognize prejudices and stereotypes during contacts with citizens.

Young people from Jajce visit the youth of Sipovo

Members of the Youth Club 'Dijamant' and members of the ZOK 'Jajce-Nasen' within the project 'Sport is the best communication' were visiting young people in Sipovo who received them warmly. All participants were socializing, playing various sports games while the most interesting was female volleyball.

As part of our activities we organized a workshop for all participants on the topic: 'I love diversity and I do not have prejudices.' The participants had the opportunity to learn how to understand tolerance, how to combat prejudice and strengthen the interactive dialogue.

Today we have been socializing, learning from each other and the host has provided refreshing drinks for all participants. The organizers, led by Ranko, deserves a great deal of respect. Also, we agreed to organize our meeting in Jajce in the near future - said Sekib Makic, President of OK 'Diamond'.

More than 100 young people took part in various activities, 35 from Jajce and around 70 from Sipovo. The school hall was too small for everyone to take part because there were also informal groups who were willing to engage in the event.

We need these types of occasions more often because we have the opportunity to strengthen interaction, establish new relationships, tolerance, exchange experiences, arrange new activities, get to know each other, exchange phone numbers and arrange communication through social sites, said Amina Mrkonja, one of the participants.

Sporting events in Jajce

In Jajce on October 20th, a sporting event was successfully completed on the occasion of the implementation of the project 'Sport is the Best Communication' put into motion by the Youth Club 'Dijamant' Jajce.

The first place was won by the elementary school 'Braca Jezercic' Divicani in the 2004 generation while in the 2006 generation the 'AS' Volleyball Club from Donji Vakuf prevailed. Third place was ZOK. 'Jajce-Nansen' 2007 Third Place 'Makljen Prozor / Rama' – Class of 2006.



14 teams aged 9-13 took part in the sporting events.

The youth from Donji Vakuf had two teams, overall 16 participants.

The youth from Prozor/Rama had two teams, overall 18 participants.

Female volleyball club 'Jajce-Nasen' had two teams, overall 20 participants.

Elementary School 'Jajce', Krusica took part with two teams, overall 50 participants.

Elementary School 'Berta Kucera' Jajce, had two teams, overall 60 participants.

Elementary School '13. rujan' Jajce had one team, overall 42 participants.

Elementary school 'Braca Jezercic' Jajce took part with one team, overall 9 participants.



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Donor Directory of the Peace Building Network

The directory of donors in BiH is a guide to funding sources for civil society organizations in Bosnia and Herzegovina, as well as the region, i.e. post-Yugoslav countries.

In the Directory you can find information about 574 donors and invitations to projects with donor offices in BiH and/or the world which finance activities in BiH and/or the region. What is significant for this directory is that civil society organizations can find information on a variety of programs, activities and geographical areas financed by certain donors, application deadlines, eligibility criteria, how to apply, and how to get in touch.

After a two-year break, we have published this eleventh edition, and the plan is to update the Directory in the forthcoming period with information on new donors, deadlines for applying and information on funding criteria.

The donor's directory has been prepared by the Peace Building Network, a coalition that gathers 105 organizations and 15 schools operating throughout the territory of Bosnia and Herzegovina. If you are interested in getting involved, write to Aleksandar Zolja (sekretarijat@hcabl.org) or Goran Bubalo (goran.bubalo@mreza-mira.net).

The idea is that the Peace Building Network in cooperation with its members, aims all the activities at restoring the quality of social and economic life in BiH, acting long term to increase the capacity of whole BiH societies in dealing with differences and conflicts in a constructive and non-violent way, thus creating the preconditions and framework for a joint, coordinated action of a number of non-governmental organizations, local governments and self-governments, the business sector, the media and state institutions.

In our work, we influence concrete initiatives related to the areas of public policies that are recognized as crucial for the long-term peace building in BiH, such as education, security, regional development, protection and promotion of human and the rights of minorities, facing the past and transitional justice, Gender Equality, Culture of Public Dialogue and Democracy, Strengthening the capacity of civil society to build peace, restoring trust in BiH and also more constructive actions on the ruling political structures in BiH and the improvement of coexistence in BiH.

The Directory of donors is downloadable in the following link (The document has 11 Mb): [The Directory of Donors, April 2017, Peace Building Network](#)

National Endowment for Democracy

The NED supports projects that promote political and economic liberation, a strong civil society, independent media, human rights and the rule of law. NED's flexible and efficient donation program has the ability to support activists in different situations, such as countries in transition with the goal of democratic consolidation and authoritarian countries where the goal is liberalization and protection of human rights.

NED is interested in supporting projects of local, independent organizations with non-party programs that want to:

- Promote and defend human rights and the rule of law,
- to support freedom of information and independent media,
- Strengthen democratic ideas and values,

- Promote responsibility and transparency,
- Strengthen civil society organizations,
- strengthen democratic political processes and institutions,
- Promote civic education,
- support democratic conflict resolution,
- promote freedom of association, and
- Strengthen the broad-based market economy.

All proposed projects must be in the accordance with NED's general purpose as stated in [NED STATEMENT OF PRINCIPLES AND OBJECTIVES](#).

The amount of the donation depends on the size and the extent of the project, but the average grant is 50.000\$ for projects that last 12 months.

Financing decisions are made quarterly based on the decision of the NED Foundation Board. Apart from evaluating how the program fits into the general objectives of the NED, the Committee also considers factors such as the urgency of the program, its relevance in relation to the specific needs and conditions in each country and the democratic commitment and experience of the applicant.

The final deadline for project applications in 2017 is December 22nd.

Please review <http://www.ned.org/apply-for-grant/en/> for more info.



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