

# **Newsletter of the SALTO-YOUTH Eastern Europe & Caucasus RC and youthNET/CIS project 04/2006**

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**Dear Readers,**

**Welcome to the 4<sup>th</sup>/2006 issue of the Newsletter published by the SALTO-YOUTH Resource Centre for Eastern Europe and Caucasus in cooperation with the youthNET/CIS project.**

**In this Newsletter you will find information about activities aimed at the development of non-formal education and youth cooperation between Programme and Eastern European and Caucasian countries, within the framework of the European Union YOUTH programme.**

*Your SALTO-YOUTH EECA RC & youthNET/ CIS Teams*

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***We would like to wish all our subscribers  
a peaceful and pleasant Christmas and Happy New Year!!!***

***May all your projects and plans be SUCCESSFUL.***

***SALTO EECA Team.***

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## **1. INFORMATION on SALTO EECA and youthNET/CIS**

### 1.1 SALTO EECA RC

The SALTO EECA Resource Centre provides information and support for both the YOUTH programme beneficiaries and the National Agencies. In addition, it organises advanced training courses and partnership building activities. The training courses focus specifically on the development of the YOUTH programme Actions.

### 1.2 youthNET/CIS project

The youthNET/CIS project is focused on partnership building between organisations from Programme and Eastern European countries as well as on disseminating information on the YOUTH programme in Eastern Europe. These aims are implemented mainly through theme-focused contact-making activities, information days and dissemination of information materials.

You can find information on forthcoming events organized by SALTO EECA or the youthNET/CIS project through the NEWSLETTER or by checking regularly [www.iz.or.at](http://www.iz.or.at)

## **2. Youth in Action**

The YOUTH Programme expires at the end of December 2006. Starting from January 2007, we will have a **new Programme – "YOUTH in ACTION"**, with new rules for activities

and new opportunities for youth workers and NGOs. More detailed information on the Programme's actions targeting young people from the EECA Region will be available on the SALTO EECA website in the beginning of 2007 (<http://www.salto-youth.net/eeca>).

If you want to obtain information on all the new actions of the 'Youth in Action' Programme, you can search on the European Commission website and download the "Programme Guide": [http://ec.europa.eu/youth/yia/index\\_en.html](http://ec.europa.eu/youth/yia/index_en.html)

### **3. Latest developments in the SALTO EECA and youthNET activities**

#### **3.1 "youthNET CIS" Meeting, Moscow - Russian Federation, 24-30 October 2006**

"YouthNet CIS" Meeting was aimed at valorisation of results and further developments between NGOs from EU countries and Russia, Ukraine and Belarus. 30 participants from former youthNET CIS Contact Making Seminars presented their results and YOUTH projects realized after the events.

Venue: Korolev, Russian Federation

Organizers: New Eurasia Foundation (<http://www.eurasia.org>)

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#### **3.2 Good practice event "TOOLFAIR", Marly le Roi - France, 1-5 November 2006**

The "Tool Fair" was an activity **organized jointly by several National Agencies, SALTO Resource Centres and European Youth Forum**. It gathered 90 people coming from both Programme and Partner countries, all stakeholders of the YOUTH programme: young people, youth workers, trainers, etc.

In one place, during 3 days, the Fair was a "showroom" for the huge variety and richness of tools developed and used within the YOUTH programme, a place to experiment with methods and exercises used within the different actions (youth exchanges, EVS, youth initiatives, training) and based on different themes (cultural diversity, inclusion, cooperation with partner countries, etc...). The Fair became the creation of the participants themselves and enabled their tools to be used throughout the programme.

See photos here: [https://www.salto.org.pl/forum/album\\_cat.php?cat\\_id=8](https://www.salto.org.pl/forum/album_cat.php?cat_id=8)

#### **3.3 Training for the YOUTH Trainers on cooperation with EECA Region, Strasbourg – France, 11-17 November 2006**

This training course was organised by SALTO-YOUTH Eastern Europe and Caucasus Resource Centre in **cooperation with the Partnership between the European Commission and the Council of Europe**. It was split into two stages: the first training stage took place in Lviv (Ukraine) between 25-31 August 2006, and the second one was held in Strasbourg (France) from 11 to 17 November 2006. The main aim of this training course was to develop the competence and skills of **YOUTH Trainers** in the promotion of international

youth cooperation, through non-formal educational activities in the field of European youth work. The event involved 18 voluntary and professional youth workers, youth leaders and project coordinators who wanted to improve the quality of training activities devoted to International Youth Cooperation in EECA countries.

See the report from stage 1: Lviv here: <https://www.salto.org.pl/forum/dload.php?action=file&id=22>

### **3.4 Training Course/Study Visit "TRAIN2EVS", Bonn - Germany, 13-20 November 2006**

Training Course/Study Visit "TRAIN2EVS" was organised in **cooperation with the German National Agency of the YOUTH programme**. 9 participants from Programme countries and 11 participants from Eastern Europe and Caucasus met on 13<sup>th</sup> of November in Bonn (Germany) to discuss issues connected with setting up new projects within the **European Voluntary Service**. Train2EVS was aimed at enhancing the cooperation between organisations from EECA and Programme countries and in addition to stimulate the creation of new project ideas within Action 2.

### **3.5 SALTO Resource Centres Annual Meeting, Budapest - Hungary, 10-12 December 2006**

Officers of SALTO RCs and representatives of the European Commission met in Budapest, to summarize the year's activities and plan their programme for 2007. Due to the introduction of new "Youth in Action" Programme discussions during the meeting were very intense but also fruitful. Various Resource Centres plan more than 40 events and 10 publications for next year. Moreover, the development of the SALTO web-page and the new "Partner Search Database" was discussed.

The outcomes of the meeting will be available soon!

### **3.6 SALTO EECA Multipliers Annual Meeting, Lviv - Ukraine, 14-17 December 2006**

The SALTO EECA Multipliers of the YOUTH Programme gathered in Lviv (Ukraine) to sum up the network's development during the year, to collect the experiences and good multiplying practices from past activities as well as to reflect on the future conversion of the network into the **SALTO EECA Youth in Action Multipliers**.

The meeting had a very practical approach. We defined a common understanding of the network's transformation. We set up concrete rules of cooperation, rights and responsibilities and criteria to be a multiplier.

Meet the network here: <http://www.salto-youth.net/eecamultipliers>

## **4. Calls for Trainers and Organizers of training courses in human rights education by Council of Europe**

### **4.1 Call for trainers for the Symposium on Participation, European Youth Centre Budapest - Hungary, 25-28 April 2007**

In the frame of the European Youth Campaign “All different – All equal” the Council of Europe is organising, in cooperation with the BeNeLux countries, a symposium for youth workers/leaders and governmental representatives on participation.

The symposium will focus on experiences already made within the campaign “All different – All equal” and on how young people can contribute to an increased participation of young people in society.

We are looking for 4 senior trainers to prepare, run and evaluate the workshops. Trainers from the Russian Federation, Caucasus region and SEE will be given priority. The selected trainers will be proposed a contract in the range of 1.540 Euros.

Organizer: Council of Europe - Directorate of Youth and Sport (<http://www.coe.int/youth>)

Working language: English and French

Age limit: none

Deadline: 8 January 2007

Contact: [tc-charter@coe.int](mailto:tc-charter@coe.int)

More info and application form:

<http://www.eycb.coe.int/eycbwwwroot/eng/Trainers'%20Pool/Call%20for%20Exp%20of%20interest%20by%20trainers.doc>

### **4.2 National and Regional training courses in human rights education 2007**

The Directorate of Youth and Sport of the Council of Europe runs a European youth programme on human rights education since the year 2000, aiming to bring human rights issues in the mainstream of youth work practice. This programme, coordinated by the European Youth Centre Budapest, is designed to achieve wide synergies in the Council of Europe member states and beyond. One of its outcomes is a guidebook for human rights education – Compass.

In order to make COMPASS available and accessible to users across Europe, the Directorate of Youth and Sports encourages the organisation of National and Regional Training Courses in Human Rights Education. These courses are means to introduce trainers, facilitators, youth workers and youth leaders as well as teachers to work with “COMPASS” and, consequently, mainstream human rights education in non-formal and formal education with young people. **The Directorate of Youth and Sport has resources to support a limited number of courses again in 2007.**

The organisation and running of such courses is possible only with the active support of national and regional institutions, organisations and public services interested in introducing and developing human rights education in non-formal and formal educational settings.

**The Council of Europe welcomes expressions of interest for further training courses in 2007 following the criteria and procedures outlined below.**

Support from: Council of Europe - Directorate of Youth and Sport (<http://www.coe.int/youth>)

Deadline: 15 January 2007

Contact: [compass@coe.int](mailto:compass@coe.int)

More info and application form:

<http://www.eyeb.coe.int/eyebwwwroot/HRE/eng/HREportal%20documents/NTC%20docs/NRTC%20Application%20form%20final2007.doc>

## **5. Invitations to UPCOMING events**

### **5.1 Active Youth Participation, European Youth Centre Strasbourg, France, 23 March – 1 April 2007**

“Active Youth Participation” is a training course for experienced and active youth leaders/workers and governmental representatives.

#### Aim

The main aim of this training course is to widen the perspective of experienced and active youth leaders/workers and governmental representatives of the definition of youth participation, related concepts and instruments and their implementation.

#### Objectives

- To exchange concepts and principles of youth participation and to widen participants' understanding;
- To explore instruments, exchange experience and possibly develop new instruments for the promotion of youth participation among groups of young people, governmental structures and within organisations dealing with youth;
- To identify ways and instruments to foster trilateral participation processes between public authorities and youth workers/youth organisations and young people;
- To design, plan and/or explore innovative ways or projects for youth participation in the environment of the participants;
- To introduce the revised European Charter on the Participation of Young People in Local and Regional Life and to develop ways and competences in using it;
- To actively support the European youth campaign “All different-All equal”;
- To use the training course as a starting point for networking between the participants, but also with the participants from the TC Charter 2005 and other interested actors;
- To discuss related concepts such as citizenship, human rights, diversity, democracy and civil society and raise awareness of their importance;
- To present the approach of the Council of Europe's Youth Directorate to youth policy and to explore the direct links between youth policy and participation also on local and regional level;

Organizer: Council of Europe - Directorate of Youth and Sport (<http://www.coe.int/youth>)

Working language: English

Age limit: 18-30

Participant's cost: an enrolment fee of 55€; travel, visa, accommodation and food are covered.

Deadline: 8 January 2007

Contact Person: Gabriele Francescotto: [gabriele.francescotto@opencontent.it](mailto:gabriele.francescotto@opencontent.it)

More details here: [http://www.salto-youth.net/static/downloads/training\\_downloads.php/1280/Course%20description%20TC%20Charter%202007%20-%2001.04.2007.do](http://www.salto-youth.net/static/downloads/training_downloads.php/1280/Course%20description%20TC%20Charter%202007%20-%2001.04.2007.do)

For applying please visit website <http://act-hre.coe.int/participation/>

## 5.2 SIETAR Europa Congress 2007: East, West, North, South Culture's Impact on Economy, Religion, Ecology, and Politics, Sofia – Bulgaria, 25-29 April 2007

Experts, students, and professionals in the intercultural field will come together to share the latest research and best practices as well as to plan strategies for cultural exchange, understanding, and synergy.

The programme will include sessions attractive to people concerned with cultural diversity, global education, international business, domestic multicultural issues, and others, who conduct research into the culture of groups of people.

Organizer: SIETAR Europa (<http://www.sietar-europa.org/>)

Working language: English

Age limit: none

Participant's cost: 290 euro, reductions possible

Deadline: 15 April 2007

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More details here: [http://www.salto-youth.net/find-a-training/925.html?&search=&termin\\_von=2007-01-01&termin\\_bis=2008-11-31&suche\\_massn%5B%5D=2&suche\\_massn%5B%5D=5&suche\\_massn%5B%5D=3&suche\\_massn%5B%5D=1&suche\\_massn%5B%5D=4&pagerCurrentOffset=14](http://www.salto-youth.net/find-a-training/925.html?&search=&termin_von=2007-01-01&termin_bis=2008-11-31&suche_massn%5B%5D=2&suche_massn%5B%5D=5&suche_massn%5B%5D=3&suche_massn%5B%5D=1&suche_massn%5B%5D=4&pagerCurrentOffset=14)

And here: <http://www.sietar-europa.org/congress2007>

## 5.3 International Student Week in Ilmenau, Germany, 1-10 July 2007

ISWI 2007 - "time to think"

"Live as if you will die tomorrow, but learn as if you will live forever."

But what does "education" mean? Is it limited to school times or do we talk about lifelong learning? We often think of concepts like "society of knowledge", but is today's society really aware of the responsibility for education? The high rate of illiteracy is well known, but how can we make education accessible to everyone and how can we give people the same educational opportunities? Generally, what does a modern person have to know and does omniscience exist?

Together with the invited international participants, the students and professors of the Ilmenau Technical University, the lecturers, the fellow citizens of Ilmenau and with everyone else who wants to participate in ISWI 2007 we want to talk about these and many more questions.

Organizer: ISWI e.V. (<http://iswi.org>)

Working language: English

Age limit: none

Participant's cost: only travel to Ilmenau in Germany;

Accommodation, food and programme are covered.

Deadline: 31 January 2007

Contact: [info@iswi.org](mailto:info@iswi.org)

## **6. Short reports on PAST and ONGOING events**

### **6.1 International Youth Projects of Stepanavan Youth Center, Armenia**

Stepanavan Youth Centre continues to foster cooperation and exchange of information, skills and knowledge among youth from regions of Armenia and from various European countries through sending and hosting projects.

Contact: [SYC\\_ngo@yahoo.com](mailto:SYC_ngo@yahoo.com)

See a full report here: <https://www.salto.org.pl/forum/viewtopic.php?p=37#37>

### **6.2 Job shadowing in Estonia "Practise Exchange Transnistria - Possibilities and Challenges"**

"The aim of my job shadowing was to learn more about development of the NGO sector, Estonian experience in different aspects of youth policy on the country and EU level, how they work with youngsters and manage with youth information, as well about experience of the cooperation with Government and local authorities."

Job shadowing of Olga Conop, Moldova took place in European Movement Estonia from 27 November till 8 December 2006 in Tallinn.

Contact: [orangeline@yandex.ru](mailto:orangeline@yandex.ru)

See a full report here: <https://www.salto.org.pl/forum/viewtopic.php?t=28>

**You are also very welcome to upload reports and photos from your activities with / in EECA region. SALTO Forum is the best way to disseminate them:**  
<https://salto.org.pl/forum>

## **7. Info desk**

### **7.1 EVS services from NoBorders available also for EECA!**

#### **EVS Blogs**

MyEvs is a Blog for EVS volunteers. Through this Blog EVS volunteers can stay in touch with their friends and family abroad. They can write messages, post pictures and share their experiences with people at home, new friends and also with future EVS volunteers. Please have a look at [www.myevs.net](http://www.myevs.net)

#### **EVSWorks**

EVSWorks is a new network for all EVS organizations. EVSWorks offers you a professional network with over 500 partners with many EVS vacancies.

Within this network you are able to:

- create and update your own EVS projects and vacancies.
- search for EVS vacancies for your youngsters
- register your youngsters that want to become an EVS volunteer
- search for youngsters for your EVS project
- and many more features

To create your EVSWorks account just visit the website [www.evsworks.net](http://www.evsworks.net) and click on registration link on the homepage.

### **7.2 Charitable fund “Pryyateli Ditey” Ukraine, and CTC Georgia are looking for partner organization from Programme Countries**

Charitable fund “Pryyateli Ditey” Ukraine, and CTC (Center for Training and Consultancy) Georgia are looking for applicant organization for the youth exchange project, organized in the frames of “Youth in Action” Programme Action 3; International Cooperation with EECA (Eastern Europe and Caucasus region countries).

The project “Breaking Stereotypes via Art” is aiming at helping young people to make steps for discovering all those stereotypes banning the development of their region and to train them on the best ways of breaking these stereotypes, one of the best ways being art and cultural activities.

#### **Content**

- Definitive program of exchange will be developing during preparation stage with active participation of youngsters. We are going to use following types of activities:
- Presentation and workshops on the project.
- Trainings on handling conflicts.
- Trainings on the means of expressing ideas freely.
- Cultural presentations.
- Street performances.
- Dancing performances.
- Simulation games.
- Taking pictures or making short-films about stereotypes.

If:

- your organization is from YOUTH program country,
- you like the idea and the content of the project
- want to act as an applicant for the project,
- can recommend some positive changes

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We are looking forward to your answers...

Best regards

Dima, Pavle, Natia and Irina

More info and project description here:

<https://salto.org.pl/forum/viewtopic.php?p=34&sid=879815f6799b272fbf83a589957a3042#34>

### **7.3 International Union ERTOBA looks for participants for Contact Making Seminar- “See the ability”, Georgia, 17-22 February 2007**

With organizing this Contact making seminar we want to give opportunities to youth workers and leaders to meet each other, to share their experiences and gain knowledge about gender issues, participate in intercultural dialogue, share experiences and challenges of developing human rights education in formal and non-formal education settings;

Date: 17-22 February 2007

Venue: Georgia

Working language: English

Board and lodging: Board and lodging are covered during the activity.

Travel costs Information:

Your Travel expenses will be reimbursed in 70 %, but maximum reimbursable amount applies according to the following list:

Belgium, Spain, Germany, France, Italy, The Netherlands - euro 300

Azerbaijan, Armenia - euro 25

Russia, Ukraine, Belarus, Latvia - euro 150

Turkey - euro 70

Contact: [internationalu@yahoo.com](mailto:internationalu@yahoo.com)

More info and application form here:

<https://salto.org.pl/forum/viewtopic.php?p=35&sid=879815f6799b272fbf83a589957a3042#35>

## 7.4 Gender Issue topic in Youth Exchange/Study Visit to Armenia. Request for partners

Anna Pluzyan – representative of an Armenian Youth NGO is looking for partners who would be interested in taking part in two projects connected with Youth Exchange/Study Visit and gender issues. They want to prepare these projects for the next deadline on 1 February. More information: [anna\\_pluzyan@yahoo.com](mailto:anna_pluzyan@yahoo.com)

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You can find this SALTO EECA Newsletter as well as previous issues in PDF version in here: <https://www.salto.org.pl/forum/dload.php?action=category&id=7>

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Please, forward this NEWSLETTER to anyone who might be interested!

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