

Newsletter of the SALTO Eastern Europe & Caucasus RC 05/2007

Dear Readers,

Welcome to the 5th/2007 issue of the Newsletter published by the SALTO Resource Centre for Eastern Europe and Caucasus.

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 in ACTION programme.

**We would like to wish you all the best for upcoming holidays
and a successful New Year 2008!!!**
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1. OUTLOOK on SALTO EECA activities

1.1 EVS trainings cycle in EECA Region, Web site development and ToT Report: Crimea - Ukraine, 15-23 September

We would like to remind you, that SALTO EECA supports the EVS Trainings cycle in the region and works with a group of professionally trained and competent EVS Trainers from the EECA countries. Our aim is to secure high quality of EVS trainings and to give the volunteers possibility to meet and share their experiences with each other at COMMON / JOINT EVS trainings.

More details, the process, our motivations, financial issues, upcoming trainings you may find at the NEW web-site: <http://www.salto-youth.net/EVStrainingsEECA>

Between 15 and 23 September 2007 the Training for EVS Trainers from EECA Region took place in Simeiz, Ukraine.

See photos here: https://www.salto.org.pl:443/forum/album_cat.php?cat_id=14

Download the Report: <https://www.salto.org.pl:443/forum/dload.php?action=file&id=60>

1.2 Training Course “Inter-Religious Dialogue”, Istanbul – Turkey, 6-14 October

The main aim of this training seminar was to prepare youth workers to deal with religious issues in their job and to promote dialogue among the different religions, spiritual and humanistic traditions mainly in the Mediterranean, Caucasian and European contexts where conflicts are increasingly associated with religious belonging.

It stressed the reciprocal interactions and influences between, on the one hand, religions, spiritual and humanistic traditions, and on the other, the need to promote understanding between them in order to challenge ignorance and prejudices and foster mutual respect.

See photos here: https://www.salto.org.pl:443/forum/album_cat.php?cat_id=15

Report will be available soon in a nice printed form of book!

1.3 Good practice event "TOOLFAIR", Antalya – Turkey, 12-16 December

Once again more than 100 people arrived!! Participants came from both Programme and Partner countries, all stakeholders of the Youth in Action programme: young people, youth workers, trainers, SALTO and NA officers etc.

In one place, for 5 days, the Fair was a "showroom" for the huge variety and richness of tools developed and used under 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 gave space for creation of the participants themselves and enabled their tools to be shared with others.

Visit SALTO ToolBox: www.salto-youth.net/toolbox

1.4 Brief outlook on SALTO EECA activities throughout 2008

DATE	VENUE	TITLE
12- 17 February	Ukraine	EECA Multipliers Meeting
7 – 14 April	Turkey	“LAB 3 active” Training Course on youth participation (call for participants: www.salto-youth.net/lab3active)
6-12 April	Lithuania	“Getting to the roots of Citizenship” Training Course
15 – 19 April	Ukraine	Youth Policy Workshops
12 – 18 May	Poland	“East&West Included” Partnership Building Activity with Study Visit elements on disabled youth work
2 – 8 June	Slovenia	“Let’s WORK with the Neighbours” Training Course (call for trainers: www.salto-youth.net/Neighbours-trainers)
9 – 15 June	Poland	“Changing locally – cooperating internationally” Training Course on active youth participation
5-12 July	Luxemburg	“Intercultural Competences” Training Course
13 – 20 September	Turkey	“Building Bridges in conflict areas” Training Course

2. Calls for participants and trainers for SALTO EECA and NAs events

2.1 Call for trainers: Training Course "Let’s WORK with our Neighbours", Slovenia, 1-7 June 2008

Deadline for applications: 27 December!

Regional SALTOs Eastern Europe & Caucasus, South East Europe and Euromed as well as Slovenian, French and Polish National Agencies launch a call for trainers for our "Let’s WORK with our Neighbours" Training Course that will take place in Slovenia 1-7 June 2008.

"Let’s WORK with our Neighbours" is a Training Course for youth workers, who are interested in cross-regional cooperation and aims to increase skills and competences of the youth workers in Priority Areas of the Youth in Action Programme: European Citizenship, Participation, Inclusion, Cultural Diversity.

We are looking for 2 trainers coming from Programme Countries experienced in international youth work and cooperation with neighbouring partner countries.

Please find more details and application form here:

<http://www.salto-youth.net/Neighbours-trainers/>

Deadline for on-line trainers’ applications is December 27th!

2.2 Call for participants: Training Course "LAB 3 active", Trabzon – Turkey, 7-13 April 2008

Deadline for applications: 13 January!

Training for experienced youth workers, that aims at exploring non-formal education methods for increasing the youth participation within Youth in Action Programme in cooperation with EECA neighbouring partner countries.

- LAB because it will be laboratory, as we are working on methods;
- 3 as we want to be innovative, there are three possible activities for cooperation with neighbouring partner countries (evs, youth exchange, training&networking) and action 3 is associated with this cooperation;
- active, because we focus on the youth participation!

Organizer: SALTO EECA and Turkish NA

Working language: English

Age limit: none

Participant's cost: none

Deadline: 13 January 2008

More details and Application form: www.salto-youth.net/lab3active

2.3 Call for participants: Training Course "Developing Peer Training", Brighton, United Kingdom, 4-8 March 2008

Deadline for applications: 25 January!

This course aims to enable youth workers to develop peer training skills. During the Training there will be space to work in partnership with young people with similar experience, to gain practical experience of designing & delivering a training session, to try out different training methods, to receive feedback from trainers, to be provided with training resources and tips and finally to develop skills in delivering projects under Action 1 and 3.1

Organizer: United Kingdom NA

Working language: English

Age limit: 18-25

Participant's cost: none

Deadline: 25 January 2008

More details and Application form: www.salto-youth.net/find-a-training/1153.html

2.4 Call for participants: Training course "Getting to the Roots of Citizenship", Lithuania, 6-12 April 2008

Deadline for applications: 15 January!

The main aim of this training course is to develop attitudes and skills of youth workers for improving citizenship education in youth work.

Organizer: Lithuanian NA

Working language: English

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Age limit: none

Participant's cost: none

Deadline: 15 January 2008

More details and Application form: www.salto-youth.net/find-a-training/1125.html

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3.1 Call for participants: Training Course “Youth Project Management - a Tool for Social Integration”, Minsk – Belarus, 31 May – 7 June 2008

Deadline for applications: 7 January!

With this training we want to give an opportunities to NGO from Europe and from the former Soviet republics to share their experiences and gain knowledge about youth projects management as well as to establish new contacts and develop common project ideas in the field of the new programme Youth in Action.

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You can find more details here: <https://www.salto.org.pl:443/forum/viewtopic.php?t=158>

3.2 Call for participants: Study Visit “Mediating with Comics in Environmental Education”, Angouleme – France, November 2008

Deadline for applications: 15 February!

TERA-Maison de l'Europe de la Charente in partnership with the Regional District of the French Ministry "Youth and Sports" Poitou-Charentes, the National Center of Comic Strip and the Discovery Center of Aubeterre would like to invite youth workers dealing with Environmental Education and/or Comic Strip activities (drawing) (also from Neighbouring Partner Countries) for a Study Visit entitled "Mediating with Comics in Environmental Education".

Claire Faucher, Tera International

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You can find more details here: <https://www.salto.org.pl:443/forum/viewtopic.php?t=174>

3.3 Mostar Friedensprojekt e.V. is looking for Partners for TC “Ensuring EVS quality standards in cooperation with EECA” to take place in Georgia, summer 2008

This training focuses on tools, methods & best practice in ensuring quality standards for European Voluntary Service activities in cooperation with EECA region and the development

of the cooperation between programme countries and neighbouring partner countries from EECA within YOUTH in ACTION.

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You can find more details here: <https://www.salto.org.pl:443/forum/viewtopic.php?t=165>

3.4 Azerbaijan Volunteers Public Union seeks for partners for 3 different Training Courses

Azerbaijan Volunteers Public Union (publicunion@yahoo.com) would like to invite partners from Programme and EECA countries for 3 Training Courses in 2008:

“The Role of Human Rights in Intercultural Learning”, Quba - Azerbaijan, June 2008

“Youth Diversity via Intercultural Dialogue”, Baku - Azerbaijan, July 2008

“Intercultural dialogue through Education in youth field”, Istanbul – Turkey, July 2008

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3.5 “Meeting around camp fire” Youth Exchange in Turkey needs German and Russian partner

My name is Seval. I'm writing you from Antalya. As you know there are lots of Germans, Russians and Ukrainians that they live in Antalya and their children continue their education at local schools. Our school also has such students. Therefore, we live together and we would like to organize a cultural youth project with Germany, Russia and Ukraine

Sival Lika, likaseval@yahoo.com

You can find more details here: <https://www.salto.org.pl:443/forum/viewtopic.php?t=170>

3.6 HOST placements for EVS in Latvia, Sweden, Romania, North Ireland as well as Azerbaijan, Georgia, Armenia and Moldova

Organisations from Programme Countries, Latvia, Sweden, Romania and North Ireland are looking for EVS volunteers for projects starting in the first half of 2008.

You can find more details here: <https://www.salto.org.pl:443/forum/viewforum.php?f=6>

Organisations from Eastern Europe and Caucasus also seek for young people interested in the voluntary service in following countries: Azerbaijan, Georgia, Armenia and Moldova.

You can find more details here: <https://www.salto.org.pl:443/forum/viewforum.php?f=2>

3.7 Bukovyna Youth Portal, Ukraine

Youth Portal of Bukovyna it's the space of information for the active youth, youth non-governmental organizations, and for those organizations which support youth initiatives. It's the resource of opportunities for the Ukrainian youth: education, training, volunteering, cooperation, intercultural integration, etc. It's a window to the non-governmental youth sector of Bukovyna for potential partners from European non-governmental organizations. There's lots of useful information, links for the youth who aspires to participate in the civic life and the European youth movement.

And much more... www.en.bukngo.org.ua

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4. Multipliers at work

4.1 Recent multiplying activities of our SALTO EECA Multipliers

Presentation of the Youth in Action Programme and SALTO EECA for rural territories representatives of Nizhniy Novgorod in Russia was organised by Natalia Nikitina, there is already some project ideas!

Youth in Action in Armenian TV thanks to Haykuhi and Tatevik Margaryan! There are already two programmes. One film about 3 EVS volunteers and second more general about the Youth in Action Programme.

On December 15 2007 European Voluntary Service (EVS) volunteers currently coordinated by ADVIT/ICYE Moldova, Natalia Alexandrov, participated in charity Christmas Bazaar 2007 organized by the International Women Club in Moldova. This year charity bazaar has brought together 47 national and international organizations.

More here details: <https://www.salto.org.pl:443/forum/viewforum.php?f=9>

Would you like to contact our Multipliers???

Check out here: www.salto-youth.net/eecamultipliers

4.2 How are the EVS volunteers in Irkutsk, Siberia, far east Russia doing???

Two fascinating stories along with photos from the EVS projects taking place in far east Russia at the Baikal lake, Irkutsk. Take a cup of hot tea and have a nice reading!

<https://www.salto.org.pl:443/forum/viewforum.php?f=7>

4.3 Youth Exchanges in Armenia, why not??? See reports!

In the SALTO EECA Forum's Reports Corner we have two more stories from the Youth Exchanges that took place in Lusakert, Armenia. Very interesting country, attractive programme and happy participants, check it out here: <https://www.salto.org.pl:443/forum/viewforum.php?f=8>

5. INFORMATION on SALTO EECA RC

SALTO Resource Centre for Eastern Europe and Caucasus (EECA) was established in Poland on October 1st, 2003. The aims of the RC are to raise visibility and awareness of the **YOUTH in ACTION Programme** opportunities in Eastern Europe and Caucasus, to promote cooperation with EECA neighbouring countries (**Armenia, Azerbaijan, Belarus, Georgia, Moldova, Russian Federation, Ukraine**) and to give support to NAs and youth organizations in the development of contacts, partnerships and expertise in cooperation with EECA region.

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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