

# **Newsletter of the SALTO Eastern Europe & Caucasus RC 5/2009**

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**Dear Readers,**

**Welcome to the 5<sup>th</sup>/2009 issue of the Newsletter published by the SALTO Eastern Europe and Caucasus Resource Centre.**

**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.**

*Your SALTO EECA RC Team*

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***All the best for upcoming holidays  
and a lot of successful projects in 2010!***

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## **1. OUTLOOK on previous activities co-organised by SALTO EECA**

### **1.1 Study Visit “Youth work reality in Azerbaijan”, Baku-Ganja, Azerbaijan, 19-25 October**

The Study Visit "Youth Work in Azerbaijan" took place from 19th till 25th October 2009. Seventeen youth workers from Programme Countries as well as Youth in Action Programme National Agencies officers visited youth policy makers and youth organisations in Baku and the second largest city - Ganja .

The Study Visit was co-organised by the Ministry of Youth and Sport of Republic of Azerbaijan and the SALTO Eastern Europe and Caucasus Resource Centre. We are happy to emphasize that the partnership between SALTO EECA and the Ministry has started in 2007, when the Study Visit "Youth work reality in Caucasus countries" took place. Afterwards the representative of the Ministry took part in the Study Visit "Youth work reality in Austria and Belgium". We hope that this cooperation will bring new quality projects in cooperation with Azeri partners

Find some photos at the SALTO EECA Album:

[www.salto-eeca.eu/forum/album\\_cat.php?cat\\_id=32](http://www.salto-eeca.eu/forum/album_cat.php?cat_id=32)

### **1.2 Training course “Eastern Express”, Istanbul, Turkey, 25-31 October**

"Eastern Express" Training course aimed at rising quality of Youth Exchanges within action 3.1 of Youth in Action programme, especially in cooperation between Programme and Eastern Europe and Caucasus regions.

Learn more about Youth Exchanges (action 3.1) here: [www.salto-youth.net/eecaYE](http://www.salto-youth.net/eecaYE)

The "Eastern Express" brought together 25 voluntary and professional youth workers from Programme and EECA countries: youth leaders and project coordinators working directly with youngsters, who are interested in setting up international youth exchanges.

Report from this training will be available soon!

### **1.3 Good practice event “ToolFair”, 10-15 November**

*Valorisation can be defined as the process of disseminating and exploiting the results of projects with a view to optimising their value, strengthening their impact and making the largest possible number of young people in Europe benefit from it. (DG-EAC)*

This event was co-organised by the Portuguese National Agency for the Youth in Action programme, and all Salto Resource Centres network. Over 80 youth workers and trainers from all Europe and Neighbouring Partner countries had opportunity to meet, exchange and experiment with tools for youth work. Moreover, the event received a high recognition hosting over 30 officers of National Agencies, SALTO and local authorities.

Find audiovisual materials from the event here: [www.toolfair4.org/livestream.html](http://www.toolfair4.org/livestream.html)

## 1.4 Advanced meeting of those experienced in EVS in EECA region, Tbilisi, Georgia, 16-22 November

Eighteen experienced EVS trainers, project coordinators and mentors from Eastern Europe and Caucasus meet together in November in Georgia further shape the EVS trainings in EECA region.

Objectives of the meeting:

- To reflect and evaluate our so far experiences in EVS trainings;
- To present, discuss and shape frames of cooperation for 2010 between actors involved in EVS Trainings;
- To integrate groups of trainers and prepare for closer cooperation;
- To work on harmonisation (similarities and differences) of EVS training in the region;

Learn more about EVS training cycle in EECA region:

[www.salto-youth.net/EVStrainingsEECA](http://www.salto-youth.net/EVStrainingsEECA)

## 1.5 EECA participants supported for trainings at European level

During last 3 months our SALTO EECA has supported in various forms 15 youth workers from Eastern Europe and Caucasus for European level trainings:

- Youthpass, yes we train (with Polish NA)
- SOHO - Training Course for EVS Coordinators and Mentors (with French NA)
- Tic-Tac -Training Course to Support Quality in Training & Networking activities (with Swedish NA)
- European Citizenship Training Course (with Slovenian NA)
- RLB TC - Removing the Linguistic Barriers in English within Intercultural Communication (with French NA)
- Wind of Change - the Creativity and Innovation in Youth Projects (with Polish NA)

As our Resource Centre is able to support only limited number of EECA applicants to such trainings, we struggle to support dissemination of the training results through publishing participants' short reports at our SALTO EECA Forum:

[www.salto.org.pl/forum/dload.php?action=category&id=27](http://www.salto.org.pl/forum/dload.php?action=category&id=27)

## **2. UPCOMING activities in 2010**

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### 2.1 European Citizenship Training Course, Czech Republic, 22-28 March 2010

**Deadline for Participants applications: 12 January!**

The training course on European Citizenship aims to support the professional development of youth workers and youth leaders by extending their critical understanding of European Citizenship, exploring and experiencing its potential and by enabling them to recognise and integrate European Citizenship in their youth work.

Further information on the content of the European Citizenship training courses can be found on the European Citizenship website at [www.european-citizenship.org/courses](http://www.european-citizenship.org/courses)

Organisers: SALTO Training & Cooperation and Czech National Agency of YiA Programme  
Working language: English

Age limit: none

Participant's fee: none

Deadline: 12 January!

More details and Application form: [www.salto-youth.net/find-a-training/1511.html](http://www.salto-youth.net/find-a-training/1511.html)

## 2.2 "TicTac - Training Course to Support Quality in Training & Networking activities", France, 22-28 March 2010

**Deadline for Participants applications: 12 January!**

The TICTAC training course supports mainly youth workers and leaders to develop Training and Networking activities within the context of Youth in Action (action 3.1 or 4.3)

The overall aim of the TicTac TC is to promote the development of Training and Networking activities quality in order to support the needs of the organisation and its international partners.

Read more here: [www.salto-youth.net/tictac](http://www.salto-youth.net/tictac)

Organisers: SALTO Training & Cooperation and French National Agency of YiA Programme  
Working language: English

Age limit: none

Participant's fee: none

Deadline: 12 January!

More details and Application form: [www.salto-youth.net/find-a-training/1481.html](http://www.salto-youth.net/find-a-training/1481.html)

## 2.3 European Citizenship Training Course, France, 12-18 April 2010

**Deadline for Participants applications: 2 February!**

Similarly to training in Czech Republic in March 2010, this European Citizenship Training Course aims to support the professional development of youth workers and youth leaders by extending their critical understanding of European Citizenship, exploring and experiencing its potential and by enabling them to recognise and integrate European Citizenship in their youth work.

Read more here: [www.european-citizenship.org/courses](http://www.european-citizenship.org/courses)

Organisers: SALTO Training & Cooperation and French National Agency of YiA Programme  
Working language: English

Age limit: none

Participant's fee: none

Deadline: 2 February!

More details and Application form: [www.salto-youth.net/find-a-training/1512.html](http://www.salto-youth.net/find-a-training/1512.html)

## 2.4 SOHO - Training Course for EVS Coordinators and Mentors, Turkey, 21-25 April 2010

**Deadline for Participants applications: 11 February!**

The SOHO training supports voluntary as well as full-time youth workers dealing directly with young volunteers in Sending and Host Organisations as coordinator or mentor and having little or no experience in long-term volunteering but being at least in the process of starting an EVS project (Action 2, Youth in Action Programme).

This training will go deeper into subjects that are closely linked to EVS. It intends to contribute to an increase in quality of EVS projects.

The main subjects of the training are:

- The role of a coordinator and mentor in an EVS project.
- The intercultural dimension of an EVS project.
- Partnerships in EVS.

Organisers: SALTO Training & Cooperation and Turkish National Agency of YiA Programme  
Working language: English

Age limit: none

Participant's fee: none

Deadline: 11 February!

More details and Application form: [www.salto-youth.net/find-a-training/1507.html](http://www.salto-youth.net/find-a-training/1507.html)

### **3. Info desk**

#### **3.1 European Neighbourhood Policy – web portals with information**

Are you interested in the European Union policy towards its Neighbours? You want to know how the Youth in Action cooperation with Eastern Europe and Caucasus is backed up. Please go through this official web-site: [http://ec.europa.eu/world/enp/index\\_en.htm](http://ec.europa.eu/world/enp/index_en.htm)

You will find there many practical information that clarifies many questions of your projects' young participants and other stakeholders you work with (local authorities, educational institutions, etc.)

The practical implementation of the European Neighbourhood Policy is provided by the European Neighbourhood and Partnership Instrument, learn more here:

[www.enpi-info.eu/indexeast.php](http://www.enpi-info.eu/indexeast.php)

Moreover, you can find many interesting films, tackling different issues of cooperation with the East, at the ENP Instrument YouTube portal:

[www.youtube.com/user/ENPIvideo](http://www.youtube.com/user/ENPIvideo)

### 3.2 The Eastern Partnership accelerates

The Eastern Partnership is a project which was initiated by the European Union. It was presented by the foreign minister of Poland with assistance from Sweden at a the EU's General Affairs and External Relations Council in Brussels on 26 May 2008. The Eastern Partnership was inaugurated in Prague on 7 May 2009.

The Eastern Partnership is aimed at improving the political and economic relationships between European Union and six post-Soviet states: Ukraine, Belarus, Moldova, Azerbaijan, Armenia and Georgia. It should be based on mutual commitments to common European values such as the rule of law, good governance, respect for human rights.

The youth issue is included in the social area of cooperation in the context of people-to-people contacts. A new Eastern Partnership Window should be opened to promote youth mobility and exchanges to enhance intercultural dialogue and mutual understanding. It will support the role of youth NGOs which are active within Youth in Action Programme to strengthen civil society in the partner countries.

Learn more here: [http://ec.europa.eu/external\\_relations/eastern/index\\_en.htm](http://ec.europa.eu/external_relations/eastern/index_en.htm)

### 3.3 Training Course “Dissemination and Exploitation of Project Results by Social Media”, Netherlands

In the last 10 years, social media through the internet has grown from a minor tool of interpersonal communication to one of the leading players in mass communication. Advertising in social networks like MSN, Facebook, Hyves etc., has become very effective because of the possibility to precisely measure and reach the necessary audience. Social media is perfect for low-cost marketing! We want to improve non-profit organization's usage of this tool in dissemination and exploitation of Youth in Action project results.

If you want to learn more about this training course, become its partner or participant, please read more at the SALTO EECA Forum:

[www.salto-eeeca.eu/forum/viewtopic.php?p=2564](http://www.salto-eeeca.eu/forum/viewtopic.php?p=2564)

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#### **4. INFORMATION on SALTO EECA RC**

**SALTO Resource Centre for Eastern Europe and Caucasus (EECA)** was established in Poland on October 1<sup>st</sup>, 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.

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

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