

Newsletter of the SALTO Eastern Europe & Caucasus RC 1/2010

Dear Readers,

Welcome to the 1st/2010 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.

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

1.1 EECA Multipliers of Youth in Action Programme – Annual meeting, Belarus, 1-7 February

Network of EECA Multipliers of the Youth in Action Programme gathered for next Annual meeting in Minsk, Belarus, between 1-7 February 2010. Multipliers together with the SALTO EECA Resource Centre had opportunity to evaluate the work done in 2009 and plan multiplying activities for 2010. This year our reflection was quite global and focused on strategic reframing the Network's structure. The "appreciative inquiry" was very useful method in regards of such planning. We were also very happy to welcome 6 new multipliers, that empowered the group.

More about the Network: www.salto-youth.net/eecamultipliers

Read report: www.salto-eeeca.eu/forum/dload.php?action=download&id=160

1.2 SALTO EECA work statistics of 2009

Would you like to know how many subscribers SALTO EECA electronic Newsletter reached in 2009?

Or maybe how many youth workers from Europe and especially from EECA region our Resource Centre had supported last year?

For this and many other questions, please have look at this light report:

www.salto-eeeca.eu/forum/dload.php?action=download&id=158

2. UPCOMING activities in 2010

www.salto-youth.net/activitieseeeca

2.1 Call for participants: Study Visit "Youth work reality in Southern Ukraine", 10-15 April

Deadline for Participants applications: 3 March!

Ukraine was the first country visited by SALTO EECA in 2004. Since that time the number of international youth activities increased significantly. It's one of the most active country within the Youth in Action Programme in the region of Eastern Europe and Caucasus. Beside that, there are regions which are still not active in the field of international youth cooperation. Therefore SALTO EECA decided to organise the Study Visit which will explore the youth work reality in these regions... We invite you to visit Southern Ukraine! Let's discover this region together!

The Study Visit "Youth Work Reality in Southern Ukraine" will take place from 10th till 15th April 2010. Participants will visit youth policy makers and youth organisations in Southern Ukraine (Odessa, Kherson, Mykolayiv).

Organisers: SALTO Eastern Europe and Caucasus Resource Centre
 Working language: English
 Age limit: none
 Participant's fee: none
 Deadline: **3 March!**
 More details and Application form: www.salto-youth.net/svua

2.2 Call for participants: "RLB - Removing the Linguistic Barriers in English within Intercultural Communication" Training course, France, 19 – 25 April
Deadline for Participants applications: 1 March!

The RLB trainings aim to give participants enough confidence in using English to develop European projects under the Youth in Action programme - to improve their practice in English related to international youth work - to understand intercultural situations in international work

Programme elements:

- concrete exercises related to international youth work (for example: presentation of your organisation, elaboration of a Youth Exchange programme, phone calls with a partner, etc.)
- knowledge and vocabulary of the European Youth in Action programme
- basic grammar and general vocabulary to survive in an English-speaking environment
- exercises and simulation games on intercultural teamwork

Organisers: French National Agency of the Youth in Action Programme
 Working language: English
 Age limit: none
 Participant's fee: none
 Deadline: **1 March!**
 More details and Application form: www.salto-youth.net/find-a-training/1671.html

2.3 Call for participants: "Eastern Express" Training course, Russia, 4-10 May
Deadline for Participants applications: 5 March!

Annual training "Eastern Express" aims 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 countries.

Programme elements:

- Youth in Action Programme presentation with special focus on cooperation with EECA countries within Action 3.1 projects;
- How to find partners?
- How to organize successful Youth Exchange project with Programme and Neighbouring Partner Countries of Eastern Europe and Caucasus?
- Youth Exchange Project Management within Youth in Action Programme - focus on quality;
- Intercultural learning in youth projects;

- Partnership in youth projects;
- Youth participation in Youth Exchange projects;
- Support activities for Youth Exchanges in Youth in Action Programme;

Organisers: SALTO EECA with Polish and Lithuanian National Agencies of YiA Programme

Working language: English

Age limit: none

Participant's fee: none

Deadline: **5 March!**

More details and Application form: www.salto-youth.net/eetc2010

2.4 Call for participants: "European Citizenship" Training course, United Kingdom, 14-20 June

Deadline for Participants applications: 4 April!

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

Organisers: SALTO T&C with British National Agency of the Youth in Action Programme

Working language: English

Age limit: none

Participant's fee: none

Deadline: **4 April!**

More details and Application form: www.salto-youth.net/find-a-training/1513.html

2.5 Call for trainers: "EastWestEVS" Training course, Turkey, 19-25 October

Deadline for Trainers applications: 19 April!

We are looking for 2 trainers, who will be involved in preparation and carrying out of the „EastWestEVS" Training Course in 2010.

Annual Training Course "EastWestEVS" for youth workers and organisations interested in European Voluntary Service (EVS) projects within Youth in Action programme. This year special focus will be given to cooperation between non-EU Programme countries and Eastern Europe and Caucasus region. Training organised together with Turkish National Agency of Youth in Action Programme and SALTO Eastern Europe and Caucasus.

Organisers: SALTO EECA with Turkish National Agency of Youth in Action Programme

Working language: English

Age limit: none

Participant's fee: none

Deadline: **19 April!**

More details and Trainers' Application form: www.salto-youth.net/EastWestEVS2010-trainers

3. Info desk

3.1 SALTO Network 10th anniversary – get your piece of the Birthday Cake!

SALTO is celebrating its 10th Anniversary in 2010 and you are invited! Participate in any of our 2010 events and get a piece of SALTO birthday cake. Yummy Yummy! We'll post the different birthday pictures on our web-pages. Looking forward to share some cake with you!

Instruction how to prepare a good SALTO birthday cake and what to do next:

www.salto-youth.net/10

3.2 Call for participants: “Open Your Mind to Diverse World” Training course, Poland, 10-16 April

Deadline for Trainers applications: 10 March!

Have you lived/worked/volunteered abroad not too long time ago? Are you ready to look at your experiences in a different light? Are you interested to work on methods to improve your learning experience and also those of other people going abroad? Could you enjoy group work?

The training ‘Open Your Mind to the Diverse World’ is aimed to collect model approaches regarding living abroad and look for the possibilities to apply them on the local level while organizing short term projects.

During 6 days, a group of 25 international participants will focus on their experiences of intercultural learning while living abroad and work on new methods.

Organisers: One World Association - Service Civil International

Working language: English

Age limit: none

Participant's fee: 50% of the travel costs (reimbursement up to a maximum of 200 euro)

Deadline: **10 March!**

More details and Application form: www.salto-youth.net/find-a-training/1692.html

3.3 Call for participants: “GetGreen Campaigning” Training course, Austria, 20-25 April

Deadline for Trainers applications: 12 March!

During this training you can learn and develop environmental campaigning methods on how to adopt a more sustainable lifestyle for yourself and others. The international workgroups will set up a campaign that can be used back home!

Practically this training course means:

- a positive approach towards environmental issues
- getting to know Naturefriends and environmental workers from other countries and work with them on common projects
- learning new skills

This is first of environmental trainings organised by International Young Naturefriends.

Organisers: International Young Naturefriends

Working language: English

Age limit: none

Participant's fee: 17 to 125 euro depending on country of origin, 30% of travel costs.

Deadline: **12 March!**

More details and Application form: www.salto-youth.net/find-a-training/1739.html

3.4 Call for participants: “GreenGames” - environmental Training, Germany, 18-23 May

Deadline for Trainers applications: 12 April!

The GreenGames are to learn and develop non formal and experiential education methods connected with environmental themes. The participants will experience an ongoing process of discussion, sharing and experiencing the potential of these methods.

Practically this training course means:

- a positive approach towards environmental issues
- getting to know Naturefriends and environmental workers from other countries and work with them on common projects
- learning new skills

This is second of environmental trainings organised by International Young Naturefriends.

Organisers: International Young Naturefriends

Working language: English

Age limit: none

Participant's fee: 17 to 125 euro depending on country of origin, 30% of travel costs.

Deadline: **12 April!**

More details and Application form: www.salto-youth.net/find-a-training/1740.html

3.5 Call for partners: “Gender Balance... Mission (Im)possible?”, Poland, October

Deadline for Trainers applications: 12 March!

With this training we want to give opportunities to NGOs from Europe to share their experiences and gain knowledge about gender aspects of youth work and how to put gender issues in daily practice (working) life of the applicants. Empowerment of youth workers as well as establishment of new contacts and development of common project ideas in the field of the Programme Youth in Action are other training priorities.

International Youth Meeting House Mikuszewo, Poland

Please, don't hesitate to contact us if You have any questions or need additional information by e-mail: mikuszewoteam@gmail.com

Read more at the SALTO EECA Forum: www.salto-eeca.eu/forum/viewtopic.php?p=2572

3.6 EVS in Ukraine: positions available

Center for European Initiatives (www.eu.sumy.ua) is looking for EVS volunteers and partner organizations that have candidates to do one-year EVS project in Ukraine.

We can host up to 4 EVS volunteers. Project start dates: September, 1st - October, 1st 2010. EVS volunteers will work on a project to maintain and further develop our local Network of Youth Euro-clubs currently in city and regional educational establishments.

Contacts: info@eu.sumy.ua

Read more at the SALTO EECA Forum: www.salto-eeca.eu/forum/viewtopic.php?p=2573

4. 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: www.salto-youth.net/eecapublications

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