



Invitation

The Art of Developing Global Perspectives Together

Education for Sustainable Development in non-formal education and international youth work

International conference

November 7-8, 2012 in Frankfurt, Germany

Climate change, sustainable development and globalisation are issues that are a concern for young people as well. They are deeply engaged in debating what the world will look like in future. Instead of an infinitely positive outlook on the future, many young people today have adopted a sceptical and realistic attitude to the personal and professional prospects that await them. Others propose taking radical steps in order to protect the planet against the consequences of environmental destruction. In addition, young people's lives are becoming more and more international. The world in which they live has expanded beyond their local environment, just as the challenges of sustainable development can no longer be addressed by each country individually.

With all of these issues moving higher up on the social and educational agenda, a number of questions are being thrown up for non-formal education, too.

How can awareness of these aspects be raised among young people, especially among those who feel pessimistic about their own future and are fairly indifferent to social issues?

What is the appropriate approach for multipliers to help young people to develop new attitudes concerning sustainable development? How can multipliers provide young people with the knowledge that we live in a world that requires us to change the way we live? How can they address especially those young people who come from disadvantaged backgrounds, as it will be difficult for them to understand that they have to limit consumption when they had so far no chance at all to participate in prosperity?

How are international educational programmes responding to the fact that while global problems have been identified, the consequences that countries are willing to take vary widely and to some extent even contradict each other?

Objective

The conference will pay particular attention to international cooperation. It is an opportunity for organisations to exchange information on the various approaches and concepts of education for sustainable development in non-formal education in other countries and to jointly develop concrete ideas for implementation. In particular, the discussion will deal with the financial sector, energy turnaround and lifestyle and consumption choices. Emphasis will be laid on the following questions:

- How can sustainable development issues be portrayed and discussed appropriately to different target groups, e.g., disadvantaged young people?
- How do experts and team leaders see their own roles in this context? How can the teaching process be shaped in order to successfully pass on certain values?
- How can these issues be dealt with by youth organisations in international cooperation? How promising is it to have an international debate on the subject and what are the challenges?

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Target group

The conference is aimed at experts and team leaders working in youth services and youth work in Germany and abroad who deal with sustainable development and have already gained experience or have a strong interest in international youth work.

Agenda

Wednesday, 7 November 2012

1:00 pm Arrival, snack lunch
2:00 pm Welcome, introductions
2:45 pm Keynote address:

ESD in non-formal education

*N.N., Wuppertal Institute for Climate,
Environment and Energy (tbc)*

4:00 pm Workshops with project presentations

1 The financial sector

2 Energy turnaround

Jugendbündnis Zukunftsenergie (tbc)

3 Lifestyle/consumption choices

*WELTbewusst, Jochen Dallmer,
BUNDjugend*

7:00 pm Dinner

8:00 pm WELTbewusst - a guided tour of
sustainable consumption and
globalization

Thursday, November 8, 2012

9:00 am Summary of Day 1:

Reports from the workshops

10:00 am Workshops (contd.)

12:00 Presentation of results

1:00 pm Snack lunch

2:00 pm Summary of results and outlook

3:00 pm End of conference

Conference language

English

Venue

Haus der Jugend Frankfurt
Deutschherrnufer 12
60594 Frankfurt/M., Germany

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Terms, conditions and fees

The charge for participants is € 50 per person, which covers the conference fee, accommodation in a single room and food. Travel costs shall not be reimbursed.

There is no charge for participants from abroad. In justified cases and only by prior arrangement with the organisers, a grant may be paid towards travel costs for participants coming from abroad.

The fee is payable upon receipt of confirmation. Confirmed participants who cancel in the two-week period prior to the conference must organise a substitute. If no substitute is found, 50% of the charge shall be retained as a cancellation fee. Cancellations received up to one day before the beginning of the conference shall incur a 100% cancellation fee.

Registration

The deadline for registration is **October 5, 2012**. Please use the attached form to register. Note that the number of places is limited. Confirmations will be sent out after the deadline.

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