

# **PEN's Profile**

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Rrjeti i Edukatorëve Bashkëmoshatar/ Peer Educators Network (PEN)

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#### 5. REGISTER NUMBER:

5112039-6

## 6. REGISTER PLACE:

Ministry of Public Services in Prishtina

### 7. REGISTER DATE:

October 9, 2008

## 8. ESTABLISHMENT DATE:

August 4, 2004

#### 9. GEOGRAPHICAL AREA:

Kosovo and region wide

#### 11. MEMORANDUMS OF UNDERSTANDING:

A Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with Ministry of Education, Science and Technology has been signed for implementing activities in schools.

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#### 12. BACKGROUND OF THE ORGANIZATION:

Peer Educator Network (PEN) is a non-governmental and non-profitable youth organization that aims to promote youth active citizenship as a tool of fulfilling community needs.

PEN has the status of an NGO working all over Kosovo, with headquarters in Prishtina. PEN has a hierarchical structure with 15 workers and its board of directors. PEN is active in 29 municipalities in Kosovo and has more than 1500 volunteers/peer educators, which are represented by Municipal Coordinators at PEN Council. Purpose of PEN volunteers is promotion of peer educational concept as access of youth education and information with a special focus in informing youth about causes, consequences and prevention of: HIV/AIDS, STD and unplanned pregnancy, promotion of life skills and health education, tobacco, drugs abuse, prevention of trafficking Human beings, stopping violence, promotion of European integration process and regional cooperation, promotion of cultural diversity and environmental protection.

PEN's volunteers also are involved in Media Campaigns, researches on the fieldwork, in actions and project services inside schools, cities; they are part of youth activism campaigns, different kind of art, music, drama events.

# 13. VISION/MISSION

#### **VISION**

Our vision is being the leading NGO that promotes youth empowerment social inclusion and healthy lifestyle practices as a way to make positive changes within the society.

#### **MISSION**

Our Mission is to promote youth empowerment, social inclusion, and healthy lifestyle practices within the society.

#### **OBJECTIVES**

**Empowering Youth** - through capacity building, promotion of gender equality, volunteerism, and peer to peer education

**Healthy Lifestyles** - By raising awareness on the effects of drug and alcohol abuse, HIV Aids and SSTs and human trafficking. As well as promoting anti-violence, family planning and environmental protection.

**Social Inclusion** - by encouraging social innovations, European citizenship, regional cooperation, intercultural and multi ethnic dialogue at the same time promoting human rights through inclusion of people with disabilities and LGBT community.

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#### **ACTIONS**

#### **Youth Empowerment**

# 1.1 Capacity Building

Organizing Trainings on how to write good project proposals
Building youth skills on project implementation, reporting and monitoring
Providing non formal education practices and seminars/workshops

# 1.2 Gender Equality

Promoting activities on gender equality
Empowering women and girls
Working with young men towards gender equality

## 1.3 Peer- to-Peer

Strengthening Peer clubs (activities)
Expanding PEN's Youth network
Conducting peer to peer trainings and events
Promoting Voluntary work - Initiatives promoting voluntary actions, campaigns

# 1.4 Networking

Exchanging experiences (nation-regional level)

Cooperation with other NGOs as well as involving social media

Organizing Outreaches, social events and enforcing youth peer networking

#### 1.5 Resource Center

Providing space on youth initiatives (Events, seminars, trainings) Assets (Innovations Lab Spaces & Men Center)

#### **Healthy Lifestyle**

## 2.1 Environmental protection:

Environment related projects Initiatives (friendly environmental)

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#### 2.2 Anti -violence

Campaigns & Trainings Materials Studies and research

# 2.3 Drugs & Alcohol abuse

Prevention activities
Workshops with regard to Drugs & Alcohol abuse
Campaigns and other advocacy initiatives
Re socializing activities

#### Social Inclusion

# 3.1 European citizenship:

Presentations about EU institutions/Initiatives
Promoting and enhancing integration processes
Cooperating with EU NGOs - exchanging experiences

# 3.2 Enhancing regional cooperation

Visit s conferences Regional trainings - joint projects Regional networking - concrete initiatives

## 3.3 Intercultural & multi ethnic dialogue

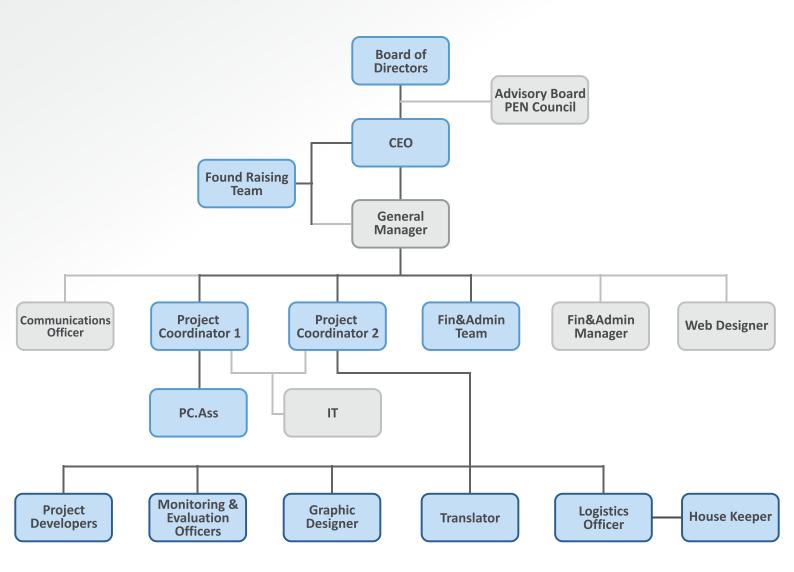
Involvement of NGO-s and committees working on similar programs Multicultural events/gatherings International events

#### 3.4 Social Innovation

Supporting innovative projects Promoting Youth participation on decision making processes http://www.edukatoret.org/



# 14. ORGANISATION CHART<sup>1</sup>



# 15. SUBSTANTIVE AREAS OF WORK:

PEN mainly has been working on youth related matters with a special focus on education, health, human rights, gender equality, environment, and social inclusion.

With a considerable number of projects that we have been implementing we aim to change the attitude of people with regard to the above mentioned areas of intervention

 $<sup>^1</sup>$  The blue boxes on the PEN's chart represent the existing positions within the PEN – NGO whereas the gray ones represent our expansion plans.

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## 16. COLLABORATION:

NGOs: UNDP, UNKT, Norwegian Embassy, Office of Luxembourg in Pristina, CHWB, UNFPA, UNICEF, CARE International, YMCA -YWCA, Center E8 Beograd, Status M Croatia, Association XY- Bosnia, CESES Coperazione- Italy, Youth participation association- Turkey-Ankara, Promundo-Rio de Janeiro, Y-Peer (representative in the Y-PEER network), Balkan Sunflowers, Lets do it

Institutions: Ministry of Culture, Youth and Sports, Municipal Directorates of Culture, Youth and Sports, Municipal Directorates of Health and Social Welfare, Youth Centers, University of Prishtina, High Schools and Elementary schools