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Partial Agreement on Youth Mobility through the Youth Card

43rd meeting of the Board of Co-ordination

Monday, 14 October 2019

REPORT

1. Welcome and opening of the meeting

The meeting was opened by the current Chair of the Board of Co-ordination Louise McDonald, President of EYCA and CEO of Young Scot. The list of participants appears in Appendix to the report.

2. Adoption of the agenda

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The Board of Co-ordination adopted the agenda of its 43rd meeting as it appears in document AP/Carte-J(2019)OJ43.

3. Election of the Chair (EYCA) and the Vice-Chair (CDEJ) for the year 2020

According to the Resolution ResAP(2003)1 instituting the Partial Agreement on Youth Mobility through the Youth Card, the position of the Chair in 2020 should be held by a governmental representative and the position of the Vice-Chair – by a representative of EYCA. This said, the Board had not proceeded with the elections for 2020 because as of January next year the governmental side would be almost entirely renewed (six members out of eight), thus it seemed fair to wait for the next Board's meeting in March 2020 to elect the Chair and the Vice-Chair. The item on the renewal of the Board of Co-ordination for 2020-2021 was scheduled on the 1363rd meeting of the Ministers' Deputies on 11 December 2019.

4. Adoption of the report of the 42nd meeting of the Board of Co-ordination

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The Board of Co-ordination adopted the report of its 42nd meeting as it appears in document AP/Carte-J(2019)PV42.

5. Implementation of the programme of activities 2019

AP/Carte-J (2018)1; AP/Carte-J (2019)1; Report of the Seminar “Youth Work and sustainable communities: the role of European Youth Card in delivering youth card services” (5-7 May 2019, Helsinki, Finland)

EYCA Director thanked the Finnish authorities and Allianssi for the excellent preparation, organisation and financial support of the seminar “Youth work and sustainable communities: the role of the EYC in delivering youth card services” held in Helsinki on 5-7 May 2019 as a follow up to the Finnish Chairmanship event, namely a seminar "Educational Pathways for Youth Workers" that took place in Helsinki on 20-22 February 2019. The excellent attendance, quality of presentations, best practices and knowledge sharing, as well as networking possibilities were all highly evaluated by the participants.

The second activity of the Partial Agreement programme 2019, the seminar “Exploring different models of democratic participation: fostering youth participation through the European Youth Card”, would take place immediately after the end of the statutory bodies, on 17-18 October 2019 in Strasbourg. The third event would take place on 12-13 November 2019 in Brussels, Belgium, and would be a promotional Seminar “Mainstreaming youth mobility in policies at all levels”. It would be organised as a response to the interest voiced by a number of states not yet party to the Partial Agreement to learn more about it, as well as about the youth card and its implementation.

All relevant details of the implementation of the programme of activities 2019 is set out in document *AP/Carte-J (2019)1*.

6. Preparation and adoption of the Programme of activities 2020

AP/Carte-J (2019)2

The representative of Greece confirmed the positive political agreement there existed in her Ministry for joining the Partial Agreement, particularly in the framework of the Greek Chairmanship of the Committee of Ministers and the relevant seminar “Artificial intelligence and youth services: the role of the European Youth Card in promoting quality mobility in an online era”, to be organised in Greece in September 2020.

The Advisory Council representative raised two points in the discussion. He encouraged the Partial Agreement’s programme to pay particular attention to social inclusion of young people and to the fact that mobility was an important part and stimulus of that.

As regards the question of the artificial intelligence (AI), he underlined that it was a very wide field and that, in his opinion, it was important to distinguish and address separately digital literacy and AI in youth services. If AI in youth service would be subject in 2020, then digital literacy could be tackled in 2021. The Chair found these comments very relevant and agreed to take them into account suggesting to include the Advisory Council representative into the preparation of the Greek Chairmanship event. As regards social inclusion, she pointed out that all actions undertaken by EYCA member organisations were aimed at social inclusion. Maybe that fact should be made more visible.

With these comments, the Partial Agreement's work programme 2020 was adopted as outlined in document [AP/Carte-J \(2019\)2](#).

7. Recent and forthcoming developments in EYCA – oral report

EYCA Director briefed the Board of Co-ordination on the EYCA regional meetings; on the results of the EYCA General Assembly held on 7-8 June 2019 in Ljubljana, Slovenia; on the fact that a new member organisation joined EYCA – from North Macedonia, thus the whole Balkan region was covered by the action of the European Youth Card. The Ministry responsible for Youth Affairs in North Macedonia was holding talks with the MFA to join the Partial Agreement. The Armenian authorities were finalising its procedure on the choice of a new organisation responsible for the youth card in their country. Italy, as Spain, was considering possibilities to return to the Partial Agreement. Belorussian authorities started thinking about creating a youth card which could be co-branded with the European Youth Card.

EYCA took part in the Platform for the Council of Europe Quality Label Youth Centres and thus increased the visibility of the European Youth Card among national authorities and their awareness of EYCA and the Partial Agreement.

Several meetings with the secretariat responsible for the Partial Agreement on Cultural Routes, including in the framework of the Board of Co-ordination (when the first contacts were made), resulted in a common project in which 10 EYCA members were taking part with the aim to include cultural routes into the offer of the youth card.

The Campaign for young people to take part in the European elections was over. A special edition of the European Card was produced to mark this event.

EYCA, ERYICA and Eurodesk continued to successfully co-operate and were organising a 3 networks training “Enhancing Youth Services’ promotion and outreach” on 25-29 November 2019 in Palma de Majorca.

8. Tour de table on national youth policy developments in the field of youth mobility and youth card schemes

The Board of Co-ordination proceeded with the tour de table on recent developments in the field of youth mobility as a governmental policy or as developments in the national youth card schemes.

9. Any other business

The Chair thanked the outgoing members of the Board for their active participation and contribution to the work of the Partial Agreement.

10. Date and place of the next meeting ¹

23 March 2020.

¹ In the framework of the youth sector's statutory bodies in Budapest in March 2020

List of participants

Governmental representatives

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MALTA / MALTE

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Civil Protection, Relations with the AASLP Company, Youth Policies

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General Secretariat for Vocational Education, Training and Lifelong Learning

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Department of Children and Youth Affairs

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Ministry of Health, Welfare and Sport

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Jose SOUSA, Director of the Commercial Department of Movijovem, Portugal
Vice president of EYCA

Monica SALA, Responsible for Carnet Jove Andorra
Vice president and Treasurer of EYCA

Octavio MARTÍNEZ RODRÍGUEZ
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