Framework Programme on co-operation between the Council of Europe and the Russian Federation in the field of youth policy

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Appendix to
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in order to implement the Framework Programme between the Ministry of Education and Science of the Russian Federation and the Council of Europe on Cooperation in the field of youth policy for 2014-2018

The Ministry of Education and Science of the Russian Federation and the Council of Europe, collectively referred to as the Parties,

acting in the interests of further development of mutually beneficial cooperation in the field of youth policy, agree on this Action Plan for 2016 and 2017 to implement their Framework Programme on co-operation in the field of youth policy.

1. Priorities

The Parties agree on the following priority areas of co-operation for 2016-2017:

1.1. Supporting youth policy and youth work development, and recognition of non-formal education
1.2. Promoting social inclusion of young people and their access to social rights
1.3. Learning human rights and democratic citizenship (good governance and youth participation)
1.4. Promoting cultural diversity, intercultural dialogue, solidarity and interreligious harmony.

2. Activities of the Action plan

The Parties in the framework of this Action Plan agree to carry out the following activities.

2.1. Supporting youth policy and youth work development, and recognition of non-formal education

2.1.1. Joint “50-50” training seminars for specialists from state authorities of the Russian Federation working with young people together with representatives of youth non-governmental organisations

Brief description: All-Russian training-seminar for participants from different federal districts of the Russian Federation (5 days, 30 participants: 15 state officials and 15 representatives of youth NGOs). The seminars aim at youth policy development with a particular focus on the co-operation between state institutions and non-governmental organisations dealing with young people and youth policy in the Russian Federation as well as at development and strengthening of youth NGOs

Dates: tbc; 2016, 2017
2.1.2. Conference on Youth Policy in the Russian Federation: history, experience, practice (title tbc) to mark the 20th anniversary of the Russian Federation membership in the Council of Europe

Brief description: The activity aims to present the Russian Federation and the Council of Europe experience in the youth field, to draw attention to relevant issues of the youth policy and education fields and to develop international youth cooperation and partnership between stakeholders of both areas.

Dates: 13-16 April 2016 (in framework of the Moscow`s exhibition “Education – 2016”) January

Venue: Moscow, Russian Federation

Responsible: Ministry of Education and Science of the Russian Federation, National Youth Council of Russia and Youth Department of the Council of Europe.

2.1.3. Seminar on youth policy and youth work in the Russian Federation and other states-party to the European Cultural Convention

Brief description: The seminar brings together 30 stakeholders of youth policy and youth work from the states-party to the European Cultural Convention for exchanging experience and good practices in the youth field and for better understanding by the European partners of youth policy principles implementation in the Russian Federation.

Dates: tbc, 2017

Venue: Russian Federation

Responsible: Ministry of Education and Science of the Russian Federation, Federal Agency on Youth Affairs, National Youth Council of Russia and Youth Department of the Council of Europe.

2.1.4. Meeting of the trainers from the Russian Federation on building the national trainers` pool and supporting recognition of non-formal education (within a regular meeting of the Council of Europe Youth Department trainers` pool)

Brief description: The meeting brings together up to 10 junior trainers from the Russian Federation who have passed the training-courses in human rights education and/or a long-term training-course in non-formal education organised for the Russian Federation participants. The aim of the meeting is to seek possible ways for building the national trainers` pool and supporting recognition of non-formal education in the Russian Federation, to exchange positive practices and discuss common challenges. After this activity the trainers will take part in the regular meeting of the Council of Europe Youth Department trainers` pool.

Dates: December 2016

Venue: European Youth Centre Strasbourg, France
2.1.5. **Translation into Russian and on-lining the Council of Europe Youth Work Portfolio**, which is a tool to help those doing youth work, primarily youth workers and youth leaders, but also managers and administrators, to assess and further develop their youth work competences and that of the people under their supervision.

*Dates*: 2016


2.2. Promoting social inclusion of young people and their access to social rights

2.2.1. **Long-term training course on access of young people to social rights and autonomy through youth work**

*Brief description*: The course brings together up to 25 non-governmental partners together with local or regional public authorities to develop their competences in designing and implementing responses, projects, partnerships in support of youth-led initiatives that promote access to social rights and overcome discrimination and violence, and to support their work in building inclusive societies. It includes two seminars, on-line learning and implementation by participants their pilot projects.

The course is a contribution to the implementation of the Council of Europe Recommendation to the member states on the access of young people from disadvantaged neighbourhoods to social rights, adopted by the Committee of Ministers in January 2015.

*Dates*: tbc, 2016-2017

*Venue*: the first seminar in Russian Federation, the second one at the European Youth Centre in Strasbourg or Budapest


2.2.2. **Translation into Russian of the educational game “Enter Dignityland!”** for learning about social rights with young people through human rights education (produced in 2012 by the Council of Europe Youth sector within its “Enter!” project aiming at the development of youth policy responses to exclusion, discrimination and violence affecting young people, particularly in multicultural disadvantaged neighbourhoods).

*Dates*: 2016-2017


2.3. Learning human rights and democratic citizenship (good governance and youth participation)
2.3.1. **Seminars on democratic youth participation through youth parliamentarism**

*Brief description:* Seminars for the members of youth parliaments and representatives of youth organisations during the sessions of the Parliamentary Assembly of the Council of Europe (PACE), with up to 30 participants per seminar. Participants learn how the PACE sessions are conducted, discussed best practices as regards youth participation in the legislative process, youth policy development under the Agenda 2020 and the way to improve the work of youth parliaments. The seminars have a thematic focus reflecting the priorities of the Youth Department of the Council of Europe and Russian partners.

*Dates:* 17-13 April and 9-15 October 2016, 2017 (during spring and autumn PACE’s sessions)

*Venue:* European Youth Centre Strasbourg, France


2.3.2. **Seminar in the Council of Europe “Remembrance and learning from World War II”, dedicated to the end of World War II**

*Brief description:* Seminars for 50 participants – representatives of youth NGOs from Council of Europe member-states and CIS member-states aimed at a deeper common understanding of the values and role of the Council of Europe in promoting peace in the continent and exploring the role of remembrance in human rights education and peace-building.

The programme includes discussions on the role of the civil society (including youth organisations) promoting remembrance of historical events in the context of peace and human rights education and resulting in common actions amongst the participants for commemorating the end of World War II, at international and national levels, taking into account the values, standards and educational resources of the Council of Europe.

*Dates:* TBC; 2016, 2017

*Venue:* Russian Federation; European Youth centre in Strasbourg or Budapest


2.4. Promoting cultural diversity, intercultural dialogue, solidarity and interreligious harmony

2.4.1. **Training for activists of the campaign “No Hate Speech Movement” on using Bookmarks and human rights education**

*Brief description:* 4-day training course for 30 participants (20 Russian and 10 CIS countries participants) in the framework of the campaign “No Hate Speech Movement”, for youth leaders and activists of youth NGOs involved in the national campaign’s implementation in the regions of the Russian Federation and CIS-countries with a special focus on combating radicalism and extremism among young people.

*Dates:* TBC, 2016; 2017 (TBC)
2.4.2. **VIII and IX International Youth Camp “Dialogue”**

*Brief description:* The camp fosters appreciation of cultural diversity among participants and to empower young people to play an active role in the development of intercultural dialogue in their communities. The camp brings together 100 representatives of youth and ethno-cultural organisations from the Council of Europe member states and beyond, including Commonwealth of Independent States countries and different regions of the Russian Federation, who are actively involved in the implementation of international and interethnic youth projects.

*Dates:* July 2016; 2017

*Venue:* Kaluga region, Russian Federation


2.4.3. **Course on Intercultural dialogue and learning of Russian language for youth leaders of Council of Europe member states**

*Brief description:* two weeks intercultural dialogue and Russian language course for 30 representatives of youth NGOs from the Council of Europe countries. Participants will also learn about the youth policy’s implementation in the Russian Federation and the Council of Europe.

*Dates:* tbc, 2017

*Venue:* Russian University of Peoples’ Friendship

*Responsible:* Ministry of Education and Science of the Russian Federation, Youth Department of the Council of Europe, Russian University of Peoples’ Friendship.

2.4.4. **Publication dedicated to the 20 years of youth co-operation between the Council of Europe and the Russian Federation**

*Dates:* 2016


2.5. **Organisational arrangements for cooperation**

2.5.1. **Meeting of the Management Committee of the Framework Programme on Co-operation between the Council of Europe and the Russian Federation in the youth field**

*Brief description:* Evaluation of the current year activities and planning of the next action plan

*Dates:* 12-13 December 2016, 2017

*Venue:* Sochi (Russian Federation), Strasbourg (France)
In addition to these activities, the partners are encouraged, and committed to, taking part in other relevant activities, notably those organised in the European Youth Centres and those organised by the Russian partners.

3. Funding of the activities

The funding required for the implementation of the activities is will be determined by each of the Parties in the respect of each other budgetary and administrative procedures and safeguarding the role of the co-management bodies of the Council of Europe youth sector. Co-funding of specific activities by third parties may be agreed by both Parties.

4. Responsibility for the organisation of the activities

For the purposes of implementation of this Action Plan, the Ministry of Education and Science of the Russian Federation may delegate the organisation of activities to specific partners in coordination with, and with the agreement of, the Youth Department of the Council of Europe.

Signed in ______________, on «___» ______________2016 in two copies, each in Russian and English.

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