



AP/Carte-J (2015)PV34

## **Partial Agreement on Youth Mobility through the Youth Card**

**34th meeting of the Board of Co-ordination  
European Youth Centre, Budapest**

Monday, 13 April 2015  
20.00 – 22.00

### ***REPORT***

#### **1. Welcome and opening of the meeting**

The meeting was opened by the Co-ordination Board's Chairman, Mr Jarkko Lehikoinen, President of EYCA. The list of participants appears in Appendix II.

#### **2. Adoption of the agenda**

Agenda was adopted without changes as it appears in Appendix I.

#### **3. Adoption of the report of the 33<sup>rd</sup> meeting of the Board of Co-ordination (11 November 2014)**

The report of the 33th meeting of the Board of Co-ordination was adopted as it appears in AP/Carte-J (2014) PV33.

#### **4. Adoption of the opinion on the Parliamentary Assembly Recommendation 2066 (2015) on "Student mobility"**

The Standing Committee of the Parliamentary Assembly adopted, at its meeting on 6 March 2015 in Paris, a Recommendation 2066(2015) on "Student mobility" for the attention of the Committee of Ministers. The latter agreed to communicate it to the Steering Committee for Educational Policy and Practice (CDPPE), to the Joint Council on Youth (CMJ) and to the Partial Agreement on Youth Mobility through the Youth Card, for information and possible comments by 18 May 2015, at its 1223<sup>rd</sup> meeting (18 March 2015).

The AC representative made a proposal to the last paragraph of the draft opinion prepared by the Secretariat, the Board accepted it and adopted its opinion as it appears in Appendix III, for further transmission to the Committee of Ministers.

### **5. Developments in the Partial Agreement since the last meeting of the Board of Co-ordination – oral report by the Secretariat**

The Secretariat mentioned that one of the events of the 2015 programme of activities already took place – a European Symposium on “Mobility in the Mind: youth cards as a tool to promote employment and entrepreneurship actions”. The Symposium, which developed several national Plans of action, was expected to produce tangible results in the short- and long-term perspectives.

The Secretariat also stressed that it was positive that two Committee of Ministers Chairmanships – the Belgian and Bosnian ones – accepted to have a Partial Agreement’s events in its programme of activities – either as part of a major event (Belgium) or as a separate event (BiH).

The promotional Seminar for non-member states will take place on 30 April 2015 in Edinburgh and will be linked to the celebrations of the 10 Anniversary of the Young Scot Awards. The Board’s Chair stressed that he considered as positive and constructive not only participation of non-member states in the Awards event but also of PA member governments and EYCA members as such events provided insights into the true meaning of the youth card practice, set good examples and provided inspiration.

### **6. Developments in the European Youth Card Association since the last meeting of the Board of Co-ordination – oral report by EYCA Director and EYCA President**

Manel Sanchez, EYCA’s Director, informed the Board that the former EYCA’s Director Bob Forsyth passed away early February and invited the Board to respect a minute of silence in Bob’s memory and as a gesture to his colleagues, friends and family.

EYCA’s next General Assembly will take place mid-June in Göteborg, Sweden. The youth card in France is planned to be launched in Autumn 2015 with 1000 discounts. EYCA was currently doing an important IT work so that as from 2016 all cards from various countries are on the same data platform. The positive results of this work were hard to over-estimate.

### **7. Budget and Programme of Activities of the Partial Agreement in 2015 – up-date**

EYCA’s Director underlined that the 2015 programme is the most extensive PA’s programme of activities in the recent years. He particularly stressed that the PA together with EYCA were really doing more with less. The up-to-date programme of events for 2015 appears in Appendix IV.

The Vice-Chair wondered if, as regards the budget of the Partial Agreement, it was possible to establish a minimum contribution rate, and discuss this option with the Council of Europe’s Financial department officer, as well as the question of the creation of the PA’s special account.

## **8. Exchange of views on the priorities of the programme of activities for 2016 - 2017**

The Board agreed on the fact that the PA's programme of activities for the next biennium should follow the priorities of the youth sector as a whole.

AC representative proposed to get and analyse data on the marginalisation of young people in Europe from EYCA database and use it as a research element.

The Vice-Chair of the Board, the CDEJ representative of Portugal, mentioned that he saw a utility to try a pilot project (a holiday camp without borders) on social re-integration processes of marginalised young people with the help of youth workers.

One of EYCA member organisations represented at the Board proposed that the PA together with EYCA should explore more ways to create better mobility for disadvantaged young people.

## **9. Any other business**

None.

## **10. Date and place of the next meetings**

Thursday 15 October 2015 in the framework of the meetings of the statutory bodies of the youth sector.

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APPENDIX II

**Board of Co-ordination (34<sup>th</sup> meeting) / Conseil de Coordination (34e reunion)**

Budapest (EYC), 13 April 2015 (20h-22h)

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## APPENDIX III

### **Board of Co-ordination's Opinion on the Parliamentary Assembly Recommendation 2066 (2015) on "Student mobility"**

"The Board of Co-ordination of the Partial Agreement on Youth Mobility through the Youth Card, meeting at its 34<sup>th</sup> meeting on 13 April 2015 in Budapest, adopted the following opinion on Parliamentary Assembly Recommendation 2066 (2015) on "Student Mobility":

The Partial Agreement on Youth Mobility through the Youth Card welcomes Parliamentary Assembly Recommendation 2066(2015) on "Student Mobility", particularly its suggestion to "develop guidelines and identify measures to remove obstacles to student mobility, including those regarding visa-s, social cover and residence and work permits".

It also considers that regional and national actors, in particular, should be encouraged to not only rely on European level funding, but to provide enough funding to give everyone a possibility of a mobility experience regardless of socio-economic background and any other inhibiting factors.

If the work mentioned in the Recommendation is entrusted to the Steering Committee for Educational Policy and Practice (CDPPE), the following structures in the Council of Europe Youth Sector should be involved: Partial Agreement on Youth Mobility through the Youth Card, the European Platform on Learning Mobility (EPLM) and the Advisory Council on Youth (AC), as well as the youth sector's major partner in the questions of mobility – the European Youth Card Association (EYCA)."



## APPENDIX IV

As of April 2015

### Partial Agreement on Youth Mobility 2015 Programme of Activities<sup>1</sup>

<b>18-20 March 2015, Lisbon, <u>Portugal</u>:</b>	A European PA/EYCA Symposium «Mobility in the Mind: Youth Cards as a tool to promote employment and entrepreneurship actions»
<b>13-15 April 2015, Budapest, <u>Hungary</u>:</b>	- PA's Co-ordination Board meeting; - Information Dinner for all CDEJ-PA members;
<b>27 April 2015, Brussels, Belgium:</b>	2 <sup>nd</sup> Youth Work Convention within the Belgian CM Chairmanship, PA Atelier "How youth cards can promote and support youth work"
<b>30 April 2015, Edinburgh, UK:</b>	Promotional seminar on youth card and the PA
<b>18-19 May 2015, Baku, <u>Azerbaijan</u>:</b>	3 <sup>rd</sup> World Forum on Intercultural Dialogue, PA Atelier "Youth cards as a tool to promote living together in a multi-cultural society"
<b>11-14 June 2015, Göteborg, Sweden:</b>	EYCA's General Assembly, participation
<b>End June/early July 2015, EYCS:</b>	Promotional PA Seminar for Permanent Representations (possibly within SG's Action Plan against Terrorism and Radicalisation)
<b>19 May–November 2015 :</b>	<b><u>Bosnia and Herzegovina</u></b> 's CM Chairmanship, PA/EYCA Seminar "Integration versus Alienation: youth card as a tool of young people's integration" (within SG's Action Plan against Terrorism and Radicalisation)
<b>Option: End Nov-Early December:</b>	CDEJ or PA Winter University on Youth Mobility + a "50-50" for PA members
<b>November 2015–May 2016:</b>	<b>Bulgarian</b> CM Chairmanship, PA/EYCA Seminar "Brain drain or brain gain: is youth mobility good? Or an Atelier within a big event
<b>November 2015:</b>	PA's Co-ordination Board meeting + possibly a PA Seminar for CDEJ-PA members

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<sup>1</sup> Countries which are members of the Partial Agreement are underlined.

**Per type of activity:**

**Statutory activities:** 2 meetings of the Board of Co-ordination

**Symposium/Seminars:** 2 or 3 or 4 (Portugal, BiH, maybe Bulgaria, Strasbourg in Nov.)

**Ateliers within big events:** 2/3 (Belgium, Azerbaijan or maybe Bulgaria)

**Promotion:** 2 (Edinburgh, Strasbourg)

**Big events:** 1 (Winter University and/or "50-50")

**CM Chairmanships 2016-2017**

**Bulgaria:** November 2015–May 2016

**Estonia:** May-November 2016

**Cyprus:** November 2016-May 2017

**Czech Republic:** May-November 2017