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### North-South Centre of the Council of Europe



# EUROPEAN CENTRE FOR GLOBAL INTERDEPENDENCE AND SOLIDARITY

Created on **16th November 1989**, the European Centre for Global Interdependence and Solidarity of the Council of Europe (more commonly known

as the "North-South Centre") was set up in Lisbon with the purpose to spread the universal values upheld by the Council of Europe – human rights, democracy and the rule of law – in Europe and beyond.



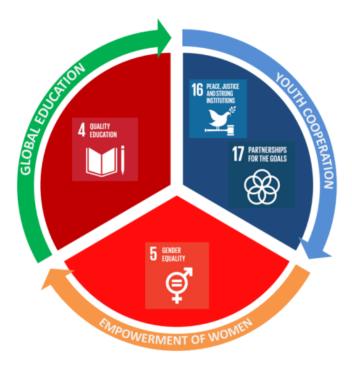


# MISSION

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The mission of the Centre is to empower **Civil society**, in particular youth and women, through **intercultural dialogue** and **global citizenship** education, to play an active role in **Council of Europe Member States** and **neighbouring regions**.

Through its **multilateral** activities the North-South Centre contributes to spread the Council of Europe's **Standards** and **conventions** and ultimately contributes to the achievement of the **2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development**.





# METHODOLOGY & PRINCIPLES

Principles:

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Dialogue Partnership Solidarity Global interdependence Quadrilogue:

Governments Parliaments Regional/local authorities Civil Society Organisations

#### Bottom-up approach:

#### **ADVOCACY**

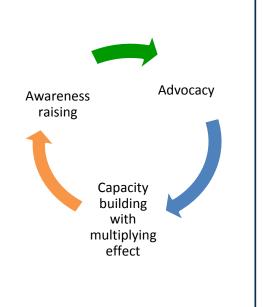
Push for implementation of recommendations

#### **CAPACITY BUILDING**

Transfer of knowledge through educators/peers (Multiplying effect)

#### **AWARENESS RAISING**

Understanding interdependence and solidarity





# **GEOGRAPHICAL SCOPE**

# **Priority regions**

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- COUNCIL OF EUROPE MEMBER STATES
- SOUTHERN AND EASTERN MEDITERRANEAN COUNTRIES

# 21 Member States





# STRUCTURE

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### **EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE**

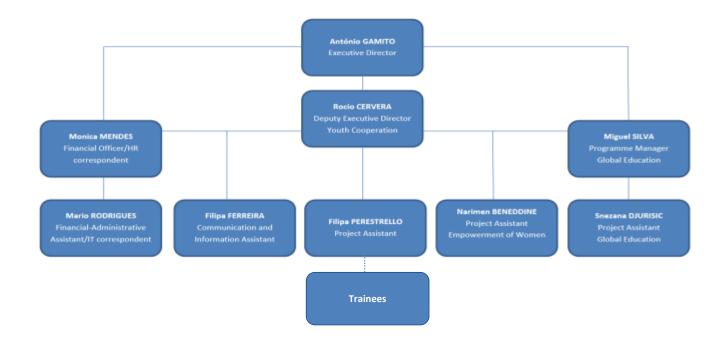
The decision-making statutory organ of the North-South Centre

### BUREAU

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Monitors the preparation and execution of programmes

### **North-South Centre TEAM**

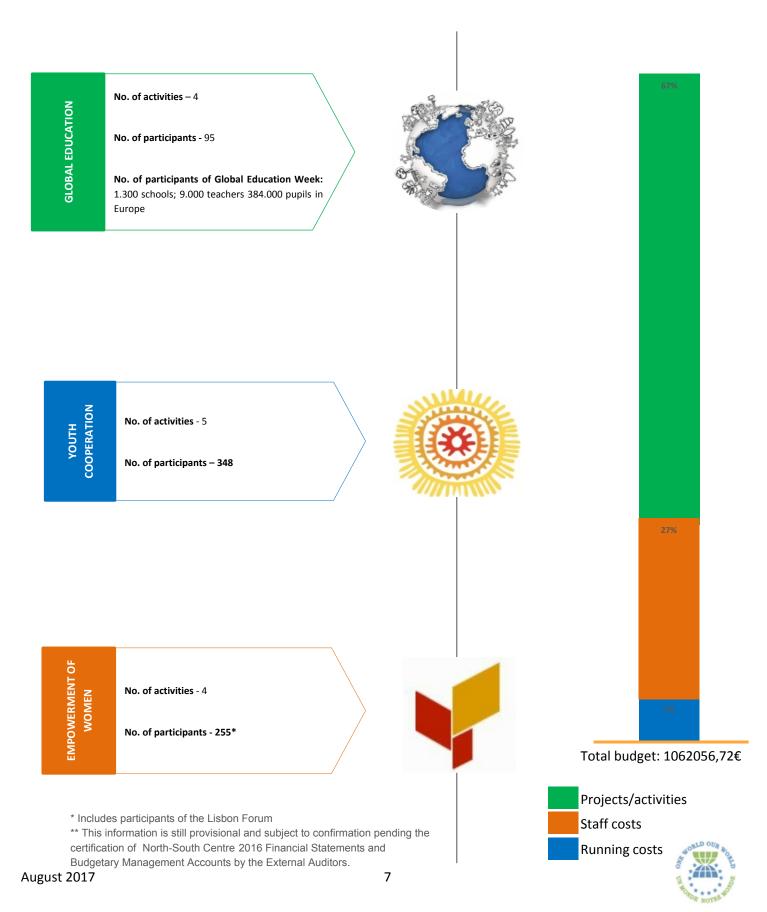






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# **2016 IN FIGURES**



# PROGRAMMES

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# YOUTH COOPERATION



# EMPOWERMENT OF WOMEN



# **GLOBAL EDUCATION**



# MIGRATION







#### This programme provides capacity-building for young people and youth organisations and facilitates their participation in decision and policy making.











# MEDITERRANEAN UNIVERSITY ON YOUTH AND GLOBAL CITIZENSHIP (MedUni) UNIVERSITY ON YOUTH AND DEVELOPMENT (UYD)

Open space for young people and youth organisations to meet, debate, build capacities and co-operate on youth policy related issues

Training courses on Structured Participation in Democratic Processes (SPDP)

Activity in the context of MedUni

Follow-up international cooperation projects









### **EMPOWERMENT OF WOMEN**

This programme aims at empowering and protecting women at all levels of society, through the promotion and dissemination of Council of Europe tools, in particular in the southern and eastern Mediterranean regions.



- I. PARTICIPATION OF WOMEN IN POLITICS
- II. PREVENTION AND COMBATING VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN
- III. COMBATING GENDER STEREOTYPES AND SEXISM







# MAIN ACTIVITIES

#### CAPACITY-BUILDING

**COUNCIL OF EUROPE** 

**Training course** in Rabat, 2016: 'The Istanbul Convention for the Mediterranean civil society'

#### **AWARENESS RAISING**

**Roundtable** during the Lisbon Forum 2016: 'Women Refugees, Migrants and Asylum seekers in Europe and the Southern Mediterranean: Meet the immediate emergency needs and find the longer term solutions'



Roundtable: Women Refugees, Migrants and Asylum seekers in Europe and the Southern Mediterranean

Training Course "The Istanbul Convention for the Mediterranean civil society"

#### THE EURO-MED WOMEN NETWORK

**Online website** for the exchange of good practices, the identification of common challenges and the sharing of experiences

2003 Members, 510 new Members only in 2016

#### Impact of EMWN Campaigns

More than 2000 likes , 130 shares, 30.000 people reached and 120 new

followers





# **GLOBAL EDUCATION**

This programme brings together different **Stakeholders** to strengthen **global development education** through **intercultural learning dialogue** and **networking** in Council of Europe member states and neighbouring regions.



Double educational approach to global problems:

#### UNDERSTANDING WORLD ISSUES

Forming active global citizens capable of thinking critically and understanding global problems

#### LEARNERS EMPOWERMENT

Providing World citizens with knowledge, skills, values, attitudes to face global problems





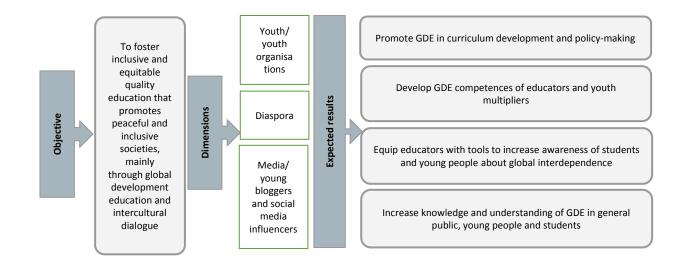


# JOINT PROGRAMME EU-COE

### ilegend

Joint Programme between the European Union and the Council of Europe

Intercultural Learning Exchange through Global Education, Networking and Dialogue









August 2017





# MAIN ACTIVITIES

### **GLOBAL EDUCATION WEEK**

Awareness-raising event aimed at encouraging educators and learners to explore educational activities for global citizenship

Kick-off for a year-round process on global education awareness-raising actions



Under the theme "acting together for a world of peace"



1 300 schools



9 000 teachers

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384 000 pupils

### **REGIONAL SEMINARS**

Seminars bringing together Global Education stakeholders from European Union new and candidate countries

Discussions about the local implementation of **global education recommendations** from the Global Education Congresses







The North-South Centre works with different actors from origin, transit and destination countries, in particular their **diasporas**, in order to contribute to a **collective response** and successful **integration** of migrants and **refugees**.



#### PACE resolution 2073 (2015), 13

'The Assembly calls on the Executive Committee of the North-South Centre, which already has a co-operation agreement with the European Commission, to consider the feasibility of further developing its role in enhancing capacities for dialogue between countries of origin, transit and destination'







# MAIN ACTIVITIES



#### **LISBON FORUM 2017**

"INTERCONNECTING PEOPLE - Managing migration, avoiding populism, building inclusive societies and reinforcing North-South dialogue".



#### **LISBON FORUM 2016**

Main Theme of the Lisbon Forum 2016: 'Migration and human rights. How to structure effective collective action?'

Roundtable: 'Women Refugees, Migrants and Asylum seekers in Europe and the Southern Mediterranean'.



#### FOCUS GROUP ON DIASPORA

Diasporas act as a bridge between their countries of residence/origin, contributing positively to both countries. They are not only a cultural, economic and political bridge but they are prominent actors in development too.



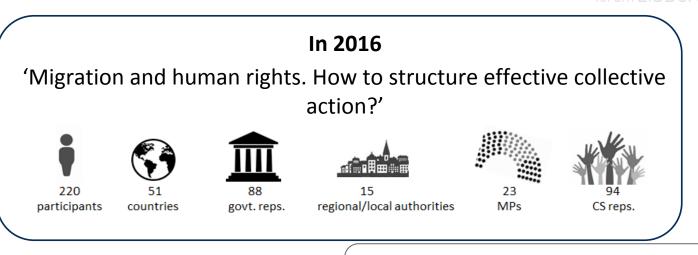




# FLAGSHIP EVENTS

# LISBON FORUM

**High level conference** with stakeholders from Europe, neighbouring regions and int. orgs.



**Outcomes**: Operational Recommendations for quadrilogue representatives calling to improve coordination between actors

### **NORTH-SOUTH PRIZE**

**Annual prize** for 2 personalities committed in human rights, democracy, global interdependence and solidarity

2016 Laureates



Giusi Nicolini (Mayor of Lampedusa)



Mbarka Brahmi (Tunisian MP)





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