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VALUES-BASED YOUTH WORK IN WAR CONTEXTS

Study visit and seminar for youth workers and representatives of
youth centers providing youth work during war time in Ukraine

4-11 December 2022, Strasbourg, France

Room 0.1

Youth work in war time UA

PROGRAMME

Sunday 4 December

Arrival to Strasbourg

19:00 Dinner at the European Youth Centre

20:30 Welcome activities. Getting to know the environment and the group

Monday 5 December

08:30 Breakfast

09:30 Opening

Expectations and needs of participants

Presentation of the programme and working methods

11:00 Break

11:30 Introduction to the Council of Europe and the Youth Department, RUI GOMES, Head of Division Education and Training

13:00 Lunch at the European Youth Centre

14:30 Meeting with the Permanent Representative of Ukraine to the Council of Europe, Ambassador BORYS TARASYUK, with an introduction by MATJAŽ GRUDEN, Director of Democratic Participation, Council of Europe

16:00 Break

16:30 The participants and the Council of Europe: relations and expectations

18:00 Debriefing of the day

Introduction of the next day

19:00 Dinner at the European Youth Centre

Tuesday 6 December

08:00 Breakfast

08:40 Visit to the headquarters of the Council of Europe

10:15 Visit to the European Court of Human Rights

10:45 The European Convention on Human Rights and the role of the Court, with MYKOLA GNATOVSKYY, ECtHR judge elected in respect of Ukraine

12:45 Lunch at the European Youth Centre

14:15 Introduction to the youth policy standards of the Council of Europe, by CLEMENTINA BARBARO, Head of the Youth Policy Division

14:30 The role of the European Youth Foundation (EYF) and the Quality Label of Youth Centres, with GORDANA BERJAN, Head of the EYF

15:00 Exercise on youth participation

16:00 Break

16:30 The role of co-management and intergovernmental cooperation in the Council of Europe youth policy, introduction by CLEMENTINA BARBARO, Secretary to Joint Council on Youth

- 17:15 The role of youth policy and youth work in supporting young people's autonomy and resilience, with ANTJE ROTHEMUND, Head of the Youth Department
- 18:15 Debriefing of the day
- 19:00 Dinner at the European Youth Centre

Wednesday 7 December

- 08:30 Breakfast
- 09:30 The Council of Europe Action Plan on Ukraine, with OLENA LYTVYNENKO, Directorate of Programme Co-Ordination
- 10:30 The role of the Ukrainian diaspora in assisting refugees and responding to the war, by LUDMYLA ILCHUK, President of the PromoUkraina association in Strasbourg
- 11:00 Break
- 11:30 Sharing realities of youth work in war time
(in parallel: meeting of the Steering Committee of the project Youth for Democracy in Ukraine)
- 13:00 Lunch at the European Youth Centre
- 14:30 Priorities and means of youth policy during war time in Ukraine, with MARYNA POPATENKO, Deputy Minister for Youth and Sports of Ukraine
- 15:30 Introduction to the findings of the project Youth for Democracy in Ukraine regarding the needs of youth workers and youth centres in Ukraine, with OLENA CHERNYKH, Senior Project Officer
- 16:00 Break
- 16:30 Activities with trainers
Debriefing of the day
- 19:00 Dinner at the European Youth Centre

Thursday 8 December

- 08:30 Breakfast
- 09:30 Actions of the Council of Europe youth sector in relation to Ukraine:
- European Youth Foundation and a special call to support young people from Ukraine with MARCIO BARCELOS
 - Working Group of the Joint Council on Youth
 - Quality Label of the Council of Europe: expectations and opportunities from the peer exchange and peer learning between youth centres and youth workers
- 11:00 Break
- 11:30 Working Groups on areas of interest of the participants
- 13:00 Lunch at the European Youth Centre
- 14:30 FREE AFTERNOON
- 19:00 Dinner in town

Friday 9 December

08:30 Breakfast

09:30 Introduction to Strasbourg and its youth policy at the European Youth Centre, with VÉRONIQUE BERTHOLLE, Deputy to the Mayor of Strasbourg

10:30 Visits and meetings in youth centres and with youth workers in Strasbourg

- Pierrette SCHMITT, Director of [Social and Cultural Center of Elsau](#)
- Nadia KECHID, Director of ARSEA - [Specialised Regional Association for Social Action, Education and Animation](#)
- Hakim El HADOUCHI, Co-Founder of [TessLab](#)
- Clementine PEREIRE, Representative of [Foyer Notre Dame](#)

13:00 Lunch in town

14:30 Debriefing the visits

15:15 Youth work experiences and cooperation perspectives with Quality Label youth centres, with:

- Berni SMYTH, CEO of [KDYS Killarney Youth Centre](#) (Ireland)
- Mihai Adrian VILCEA, President of [Timis County Youth Foundation](#) (Romania)
- Tessy BEMTGEN and Jang RICKAL, Team of [Centre Cinqfontaines](#)/Service national de la jeunesse (Luxembourg)
- Stefaan Meeussen, Coordinator of educational service of [De Hoge Rielen](#) (Belgium)

16:00 Break

16:30 Follow-up through the co-management system of the Council of Europe youth sector - with JUOZAS MELDŽIUKAS, member of the European Steering Committee for Youth and SPYRIDON PAPADATOS, Chair of the Advisory Council on Youth

17:15 Cooperation and follow-up initiatives

- Future Action Plan on Ukraine (Resilience, Recovery and Reconstruction)
- Exchange and cooperation with youth centres
- Networking within Ukraine

18:30 Debriefing of the day

19:00 Dinner at the European Youth Centre

Saturday 10 December

08:30 Breakfast

09:30 Cooperation and follow-up initiatives (cont.d)

11:00 Break

11:30 Preparing follow-up plans and projects (conclusions)

13:00 Lunch at the European Youth Centre

14:30 Farewell to Strasbourg (free time)

16:30 Evaluation of the seminar and study visit

19:00 Dinner at the European Youth Centre and Ukrainian cultural evening, opened to guests and participants in the meeting

Sunday 11 December

08:30 Breakfast

Departure of participants

Background

The Council of Europe and the Ministry of Youth and Sports of Ukraine signed in 2021 a five-year Framework Programme for Cooperation in the field of Youth Policy, hereafter referred to as the Framework Programme, to continue the systematic co-operation which in place since 2012.

The Framework Programme has supported youth policy reforms in Ukraine and the implementation of relevant strategy programmes, notably the National Youth Strategy 2030, the State Target Social Programme "Youth of Ukraine" 2021-2025, and new legislation in the field of youth policy and youth work in Ukraine. The priorities and modes of intervention reflect the orientations of the Council of Europe [Youth Sector Strategy 2030](#).

The Framework Programme foresees three main priorities of action:

- education for human rights and democratic citizenship (youth participation, democratic governance, human rights education, etc.)
- strengthening youth work policies and practices, supporting the recognition of youth worker as a profession (development of a qualification framework and a professional standard)
- improving the quality of youth work in youth centers, supporting the development of youth centers.

The Framework Programme correlates strongly with the [Council of Europe Action Plan for Ukraine 2018-2022](#), and its project [Youth for Democracy in Ukraine: Phase II](#).