CINGO Committee Report – common format

Committee name: Education for Democracy

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To encourage members to read all the committee reports and to share information effectively, please keep your free text sections short and focused on priorities activities and actions.

1. **Committee Chair name and contact email:**
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2. **Which INGOs are represented on the committee?**
   AEGEE
   DARE
   EAEA
   Education International
   EFIL
   EPA
   ESN
   ESU
   ETUCE
   Euroart
   Euroclio
   Eurodoc
   European Centre Robert Schuman
   FICEMEA
   LLLP
   Volonteurope
   WOSM
   OIDEL
   UNAEC- Europe
   Association Comenius

3. **Which Council of Europe committees and other activities is this committee mainly involved in?** *Please provide a list and a brief description of how your committee is involved.*
   Education for Democracy is the basis for a sound and healthy democratic development in all countries and regions. The committee's work should therefore be considered a fundamental element for all other committees, especially for the committee on the Rights of the Child, but also Health and Environment, Social Rights and others.

4. **How has this committee linked with other CINGO committees in the last year?**
   Given the rather large number of committee members, several of them are also part of other committees and have participated in their sessions contributing in this way to the mutual exchange between different committees.

5. **How can new members join the committee (please provide email address for expression of interest)?**
   New members can send an email to arja.krauchenberg@lllplatform.eu but they can also contact the LLLP secretariat at info@lllplatform.eu to express their interest in becoming part of the committee.

6. **What else could CINGO Standing Committee and Secretariat do to support the work of the committee and the communications between your committee, other members of CINGO and other parts of CoE?**

Among the members of the CINGO:

- Enable frequent exchange among the different committees to help the creation of synergies and allowing for better cooperation and work towards common goals
- Publish information about upcoming members' events to make it easier for members to mutually attend conferences and webinars and promote them in their own networks when the topic is relevant
- Share information about results achieved by other members during past events/projects

Towards other bodies of the CoE:

- Foster the exchange between relevant parts of the CoE and the Committee on Education for Democracy as this touches upon the core task of the Council.
- Inform committees about relevant events and encourage participation of members
- Coordinate the participation and statements in the World Forum for Democracy in November

Please continue to pages 2 and 3 to provide a report on key activities and objectives.

Activity and Outcomes Report – please choose up to 6 main topics/activity areas

Key topic/activity	**Summary of progress/impact in last 6 months**	**Current key issues**	**Plans for next 6 months**
1 Discussing education for democracy in various sectors	First committee meeting held online in May to get to know each other and present and discuss the different visions for the work of the committee and the various expectations regarding the results.	➢ How to include all sectors of education, formal, non-formal, informal? ➢ How to reach out to marginalized groups and bring them into the discussion as well? ➢ How to take all citizens on board and make sure that everyone values democratic procedures?	Engage with members and experts from the different sectors. Get their opinions and suggestions on how to best reach out to all citizens.
2 Collecting good practices	Creation of a common depository in google drive to collect examples of good practice from different members in all the sectors of education: formal, non-formal, informal	Finding a significant number of examples from all different sectors and fields of education are welcome and can be inserted at the following link	Continue the collection of good practices, reach out beyond the members of the committee to get a more significant number of initiatives.
3 Discussing the scalability of the collected practices	Scrutinizing the practices to see what could be adapted to different contexts and how. How to make successful actions mainstream and accessible for everyone?	Lack of examples to create a valid and reliable body of practices that can be upscaled and adapted to different contexts.	Increase the number of good practices to enable an appropriate analysis

4 Elaborating suggestions for member states	Creating a pool of good practices including ways of adaptation to different contexts to suggest to member states and elaborate guidelines for their use	The body of evidence is too small for the time being to be able to draw conclusions and establish valid recommendations and guidelines	Continue the efforts to gather more initiatives and practices. In case of failure we'll document that lack and develop recommendations on how to change the situation.

Is there anything else you would like to share with CINGO members and the CINGO Standing Committee?