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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.

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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.*

The Committee for Education for Democracy is in contact with the committee on the Rights of the Child, but also Health and Environment and Migration. Several of the committee members are also members of these other committees, creating synergies in this way between their work and ours, mainly by attending the meetings and providing input.

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:
  ➢ Support the organization of exchange among the different committees to foster synergies and better cooperation to work towards common goals
  ➢ Share 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
  ➢ Publish information about results achieved by other members during past events or projects

Towards other bodies of the CoE:
  ➢ Enhance the exchange between other bodies of the CoE and the Committee on Education for Democracy as education is at the base of all work of the Council.
  ➢ Inform committees about relevant events and encourage participation of members in these events

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	Second committee meeting held online in November to discuss the next steps to be taken after the collection of good practices.	- How to better involve participants from all sectors of education, formal, non-formal, informal? - How to engage with vulnerable groups and bring them into the discussion as well? - How to include all citizens and make sure that everyone values democratic procedures?	Expand our outreach to other groups and sectors. Encourage participation in the webinars.
2 Establishing a calendar for the webinars	Organizing the presentation of two practices per webinar to offer a more detailed insight	- Finding suitable dates for the presentations - Enable recording to allow reviewing also afterwards	Revise the practices after discussion and adapt and/or modify where necessary
3 Continue the collection of good practices	Inviting members but also other interested parties to submit inspiring practices	- Getting more practices in the depository to be able to conduct a more thorough analysis - Encourage people to come forward with their ideas and share their experiences	Try to further increase the number of good practices to enable a better analysis
4 Presenting, reviewing and discussing the good practices	Collecting feedback on the presented practices to get an overview of what is considered useful for the guidelines and recommendations	Discuss with members and other attendees the practices link presented, pros and cons, need for adaptation and modification	Decide together which practices are particularly apt to be included in the guidelines, adjust if necessary

5 Elaborating suggestions for member states	Continuing to create a depository of good practices including ways of adaptation to different contexts to suggest to member states and elaborate guidelines for their use	Dealing with a small number of however very inspiring practices and deducting conclusions from these experiences	Continue the efforts to gather more practices, but use the relevant initiatives to build upon documenting the need for more practices that can be shared and used

Is there anything else you would like to share with CINGO members and the CINGO Standing Committee?
No, thank you