





EUCIS-LLL Annual Conference 2011 on Volunteering within Education & Training Written by The European Civil Society Platform on Lifelong Learning - EUCIS-LLL



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The European Civil Society Platform on Lifelong Learning (EUCIS-LLL) gathers 25 European networks working in education and training. Together, these organisations cover all sectors of education and training including networks for higher education, vocational education and training, adult education and popular education; networks for students, school heads, parents, HRD professionals, teachers and trainers. Through its members, EUCIS-LLL embodies lifelong learning.

Volunteers play an essential role within education and training organisations in the formal and non-formal systems. For instance, it is crucial to look at the role of volunteering to develop skills and competencies for personal, social and civic development as well as to look at ways of recognizing or validating them. Educational providers have also a specific role to play regarding volunteering in terms of guidance and training. The conference tackled these issues notably during its four thematic workshops. It took place during the European Year 2011 on Volunteering and aimed to contribute to the debates by providing a specific insight on lifelong learning. Experts from the various sectors and levels of education and training participated to share their experiences and worked on policy recommendations.

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EYV2011 Alliance Working Group Meeting 2 Written by EYV 2011 Alliance



The 6 working groups met in Brussels on 20th and 21st May 2011. These working groups established by the EYV 2011 Alliance involved more than 100 experts, many of them volunteers themselves. The plenary session of the WG Meeting 2 included a presentation about the



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process towards, and structure for, the approval and publication of the Policy Agenda on Volunteering in Europe P.AV.E that all the workings groups are actively contributing to. http://www.eyv2011.eu/images/stories/pdf/eyv2011alliance_wg_maymeeting_finalreport.pdf

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Report: Eurodiaconia and DW der EKD Round Table on the legal aspects of volunteering Written by Eurodiaconia



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ENGSO Youth Volunteer Award 2011

Written by European Non-Governmental Sports Organisation Youth- ENGSO Youth

In order to promote and encourage volunteering within the youth sport sector in Europe and put on display what is already taking place, ENGSO Youth established Volunteer Award in 2010. This award rewards one young volunteer in recognition of their exceptional involvement in sport in Europe. The award is not an incentive for becoming more active in volunteering, but a recognition of an outstanding achievement of volunteering. Every year Volunteer Award is presented to young volunteers aged between 18 and 35.



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This year ENGSO Youth Volunteer Award has been given to Heidi Tamminen, a 27 years old volunteer in youth sport from Finland. Heidi received 2011 Volunteer Award during ENGSO Youth General Assembly in Tallin, 19th-22nd of May, and explained why she chose to become volunteer: "The reason why I started to volunteer and why I am still involved in it is because by doing volunteer work I have an opportunity to have an influence on the field of sports, it's empowering on a personal level and it's motivating. Volunteer work can give you so much, it offers you opportunities for experience that you couldn't get anywhere else".

ENGSO Youth is the non-profit youth organization of ENGSO (European Non-Governmental Sport Organization) with 40 members, which are national umbrella organizations for sport from across Europe. ENGSO Youth focuses on the European youth sport for all sectors. Because we give priority to the fun and enjoyment of sport our responsibilities reach far beyond the pure sport side. We stand up for youth sport activities outside the formal framework of training and competition. In these activities we use sport as a mean to work with young people. With the help of sport, communication, participation, prevention and integration becomes possible.

To find out more about ENGSO Youth activities, visit our website http://www.youth-sport.net







A Picture of Volunteering in Diaconia. A publication by Eurodiaconia, May 2011. Written by Eurodiaconia

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Description: This publication is one of Eurodiaconia's activities carried out on the occasion of the European Year of Volunteering 2011 as a means to celebrate volunteering in diaconia and to promote the sharing of best practice in volunteering among Eurodiaconia's members. This publication is aimed at volunteer managers in diaconal organisations and churches and volunteering policy makers in diaconia. It is also targeted at anyone who would like to learn more about diaconia and in particular what volunteers do in diaconal organisations. The publication is also available on Eurodiaconia's website: http://www.eurodiaconia.org/publications-and-resources

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Apresentação CNE Voluntariado

Written by The World Organization of the Scout Movement – WOSM



Corpo Nacional de Escutas, Portugal, issued a new video promoting volunteering in the Association. If you think you may like the idea and produce one yourself, please have a look at



http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=n5pffCcb8KY&feature=player_embedded.

World Red Cross Red Crescent Day: 8 May 2011

Written by Red Cross - EU Office



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To mark this year's World Red Cross Red Crescent Day, 8 May 2011, the International Red Cross and Red Crescent Movement is calling for greater recognition of the sizable contribution volunteers make in a world increasingly confronted by challenges linked to such adversities as natural disasters, disease, war and other armed violence, poverty, hunger and climate change. http://www.redcross-eu.net/en/







The future of volunteering: concepts, trends, visions - Tallinn, Estonia 4th-6th May 2011 Written by CEV - European Volunteer Center



What do we hope for and want to see happen to the future of the voluntary sector? Do we share a vision on how to continue empowering European citizens to feel ownership of their communities and engage in voluntary activities? How does social media influence the range of opportunities to get involved? How is benefit and scepticism weighted against when thinking of cyber-volunteering, voluntourism or employee volunteering? What are our recommendations in order to make the best use of the momentum gained throughout the European Year of Volunteering 2011?

More than 160 participants shared their experience and views during the two-day CEV Symposium in Tallinn, Estonia, on May 4th-6th 2011. 'The future of volunteering: concepts, trends, visions' was discussed gathering reflections from representatives of CEV member organisations, researchers, civil society agents, businesses, the Polish EU presidency as well as national and local governments. The symposium was organised in partnership with CEV member organisation Volunteer Development Estonia (VDE) and it was supported by the European Commission.

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European Volunteer Measurement Project (EVMP) Kick off training session with Johns Hopkins University (Tallinn, Friday 6th May 2011)

Written by CEV - European Volunteer Center



In view of the launch of the European Volunteer Measurement Project, the European Volunteer Centre (CEV), Centro di Servizio per il Voluntario del Lazio (SPES), and the authors of the ILO Manual on the Measurement of Volunteer Work, the Johns Hopkins Center for Civil Society Studies (CCSS), organised a kick-off training session in correlation with the CEV Symposium in Tallinn, on Friday 6th May 2011, from 09.00 to 13.00:The European Year of Volunteering 2011 offered the opportunity, for the first time, to know for sure how many European volunteers there are in every country, who they are, what they do, and what they contribute to the economy.

We now have all we need to make it happen: The ILO approved a Manual to produce globally



comparable statistics on volunteer work, preparatory funding from the Italian banking foundations has been provided, and there is interest from the European institutions in seeing the Manual implemented in Europe. In Tallinn, during the opening panel session of the CEV Symposium, and in a kick-off training session that took place on Friday 6th May, Lester Salamon from Johns Hopkins University explained in detail how the new ILO Manual works and what we can expect to get by seeing it implemented. JHU, CEV and SPES engaged in a major 2011 collaborative effort to convince the EU governments that comparable statistics on volunteering is an essential foundation of good policy for volunteering.

Read more: http://evmp.eu/

http://ccss.jhu.edu/wp-content/uploads/downloads/2012/01/ILO Manual FINAL English 1.4.2012.pdf

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