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ABOUT EURODESK

Eurodesk unites a network of over 1600 youth experts in 36 countries under a mission to raise awareness among young people on learning mobility opportunities and to encourage them to become active citizens. As a support organisation to Erasmus+, Eurodesk makes information on learning mobility comprehensive and accessible to young people and those who work with them.

ABOUT THE EURODESK AWARDS

The Eurodesk Awards started out in 2011 with a mission to collect Eurodesk youth workers' (multipliers) most relevant, innovative, empowering and impactful projects from the local level and highlitght them as a source of inspiration for their peers, and towards decision-makers at national and European level. In 2021, the Eurodesk Awards collected 38 projects from 15 countries.

The projects competed for four awards:



The winners of the first three categories were decided by a jury panel:

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HONOURABLE MENTION

PHOTO-BIKE ORIENTEERING IN BALDONE



Creative Minds For Culture Latvia

The Association "Creative Minds for Culture" (CMC) is a youth non-governmental organisation founded in 2014 by young people. Its goal is to promote the active civic participation of young people and students in Latvian and international developments. Its main target group is youth from disadvantaged backgrounds.

Making use of non-formal education methods, the organisation prepares various activities on topics of interest to young people who gain valuable non-formal experience for themselves.

In 2017, CMC was approved by the Ministry of Education and Science as a Youth Organisation meaning that it is an organisation where two thirds of its members are children and young people, and where they are involved in the board of the association. "Photo-bike orienteering in Baldone" was organised as part of the Eurodesk "Time To Move" campaign by the regional coordinator of Eurodesk Latvia, the organisation Creative Minds For Culture, and two Eurodesk information centres.

The event was organised in three parts: finding 11 objects and places according to the pictures; solving questions and tasks about the 11 Youth Goals, and a final informal chat about youth awareness on EU opportunities which served as a moment to deliver the awards. The occasion was optimal to raise awareness of 11 Youth goals and informw young people about the opportunities offered by EU programs.

This project particularly targeted young people with fewer opportunities such as those living in rural areas, those with learning difficulties, or coming from a socio-economic disadvantaged background with no prior experience or knowledge of the opportunities of EU programmes. Thus, bicycles were provided free of charge to those who do not own a personal bicycle thanks to cooperating with the "Latvian Mountain Bike Association".

In total 52 young people participated and received fine information about EU opportunities in a safe environment which in turn helped the local community to further appreciate youth involvement.

MINDSFORCULTURE.COM



L'EUROPA IN CITTÀ

E35 Fondazione Italv



E35 Foundation was born in 2015 from a shared project of Reggio Emilia's local actors with the aim of promoting the international relations and projects of the territory. One of its main areas of work is youth, in particular regarding projects and initiatives about international mobility and European citizenship, which are promoted in close collaboration with local institutions, schools and youth associations.

In this frame, the Eurodesk Italy network participation is more relevant to the foundation and its engagement succeeded in the inauguration in February 2020 of the Reggio Emilia Eurodesk Agency, promoted by E35 Foundation and the Youth Department of the Municipality of Reggio Emilia.

The project "Europe in Reggio Emilia" was conceived as a virtual itinerary amongst the places of the city that are connected to the EU, through the realisation of a 6 episodes web series and a social media campaign. The main target of the project was young people and as such they were involved as co-creators of contents and main drivers of promotion of the European values. 20 young volunteers aged between 14 and 35 years old replied to the open call for participants and they were divided into three groups: social media, video-makers, and artists. This opportunity helped them to become more engaged as active citizens and increased their knowledge and skills.

The result was widely spread reaching 100.200 followers on social media and around 113.000 viewers on TV (TeleReggio) and helped the general public to increase their understanding of European opportunities.

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EURODESKWEB

Europe4Youth, Sempre a Frente, EBU, Zespół Szkół Budowlanych w Koninie Poland



Europe4Youth seeks to support young people in discovering and realising their full potential in personal, social and public life in the spirit of empowerment and partnership. Hence their activities can be identified in four key areas: youth information and support; training active young people, in particular through the "Youth Leadership School"; non-formal education projects and its introduction to youth workers, schools and teachers and support to decisionmakers in the field of youth.

The project "EurodeskWEB" provided new tools and skills that benefited the Network of Eurodesk multipliers in Poland. It helped them reinforce online visibility of youth information and at the same time the project was brought physically to rural areas in Poland to make information accessible to disadvantaged backgrounds. Thus, the project relied on two ways to spread information about European opportunities and mobilities. On the one hand, the digital info-campaign relied on social media through creative tools to attract young people's attention such as Facebook Streams, interactive Instagram Stories or a spinning wheel of fortune. On the other hand, the organisation hosted outdoor picnics in small villages which gathered around 276 young people in total and which served as opportunities to inform them about European opportunities and show them what positive impact the EU has in their daily lives and future.

The impact continued after physical events since many participants contacted the organisations afterwards to get involved in their projects and continue discovering the perks of the EU.

_____ EUROPE4YOUTH.EU/



SHARE THE SUMMER BINGO!



Jaunuoliu dienos centras Lithuania

Jaunuoliu dienos centras (JDC) is a social service institution that was established in 1996 by Panevezys Town Council in Lithuania. It provides day activities for disabled youngster's including severe and moderate physical and intellectual impairment over 18 years of age. These activities include small work tasks, drama, art, sport, IT and informal education. It seeks to foster the uniqueness of each person while working towards the integration of disabled people into society.

"Share the summer - Bingo!" was organised as an event to acquaint young people with mental disabilities about mobility opportunities at national level. Taking place during the pandemic, it was key to have the chance to host the activity in an open-air location and break the isolation pattern that had been imposed by the pandemic to alleviate its toll on youngsters' mental wellbeing. During the event, 40 participants accompanied by 17 social workers, enjoyed learning how to organise sustainable trips while taking part actively in the bingo game. Thanks to gathering participants in a safe environment, they could share experiences and discuss their views on mobility with peers.



👉 PJDC.LT

MAGIC BOXES

Association Alfa Albona Croatia



The Association Alfa Albona is a non-profit and non-political association of young people which aims to promote the interests and activities of youth. The main areas of work are youth information, youth mobility and social entrepreneurship. On top of that, the association participates actively in the field of youth work in general, nonformal education, human rights, culture and volunteering.

"Magic boxes" is a storytelling and visual activity designed by young people for young people. The activity dynamics linked artwork magic boxes with mobility items to inform and inspire participants about youth work and mobility opportunities. Building on non-formal methodologies, "Magic boxes" is stimulating and engaging for participants who discover opportunities at their reach embedded in wider topics such as human rights, diversity, or European citizenship to name a few.

As it was designed by 5 volunteers from 4 different countries to take place outdoors it complied with prevention measures to tackle the pandemic and was free and accessible to everyone. Thanks to the promotion of "Magic boxes" and general activities of the organisation, around 6,000 young people received quality youth information.



👉 ALFA-ALBONA.HR

#RESCUEEU

EIZ Rostock e.V. / Eurodesk Rostock Germany



The EIZ Rostock (European Integration Center) is an educational organisation in the heart of the Hanseatic and University City of Rostock. The organisation offers political and general education about Europe for everyone, using various formats: from panel discussions and workshops to YouTube videos and podcasts.

As an accredited supporting and sending organisation in the European Solidarity Corps and Eurodesk partner, international youth work and mobilities are at the core of the organisation's activities.

"#RescueEU" consisted of developing and creating a digital escape game about the European Union. Initially, it was conceived as an offline initiative to inform about the EU, but the pandemic boosted a transformation into a digital format. Hence playing the game took 60 minutes, participants had to turn off filter systems preventing "good news" about and from the EU. Those filters are protected by codes that need to be cracked. This could be achieved after decoding a QR code, solving puzzles and crosswords, filling in the blanks, finding pairs, or finding true or false statements. It was suitable for young people aged 14 years and over.

The game was tested in two schools, whose students participated actively in providing feedback for improving the game and once they had played, they could evaluate their experience in terms of enjoyment of the tool, new learnings about the EU or thepuzzles' level.

EIZ-ROSTOCK.DE



CAPACITY BUILDING WORKSHOPS: "I PROJECT AT HOME"



Malik Association Italy

Malik is a non-profit association founded in Sardegna in 2004 which aims to combine local activity in a global vision conducive to cultural, artistic, social and environmental development, particularly in promoting youth opportunities.

Furthermore, since 2008 it coordinates the project "Backpack Desk", aimed to connect to European young people having geographical barriers and to promote their active and European citizenship, facilitating their participation in transnational projects related to training, education, job, volunteering and mobility. It became a Eurodesk Office in 2015, and through a Moving desk, it brings information about European opportunities in rural areas where youth opportunities are more difficult to arrive.

The organisation had to change the message of encouragement for young people to go abroad by asking them to stay at home due to the pandemic. Yet the organisation came up with a plan to train youngsters on how to apply for solidarity projects under the European Solidarity Corps. Hence the six workshops hosted between April and May under the project "I project at home" were just the starting point for a greater involvement in volunteering. As a result of the participation of 30 young people, 3 concrete projects on active citizenship and tackling social exclusion in response to the needs of their local communities were created by participants.

More importantly, by using non-formal education methods, the 3 projects are set in motion: The "No distance" project has already run questionnaires and plans 2 info days on didactics and technology and 32 gamification meetings for children; the project "Ayo" has started an information campaign at local schools for a total of 10 meetings in which are involved 100 students, and the project "(A) social Networks" has collected 272 questionnaires, created a video challenge involving 20 local associations and prepares its involvement in volunteering fairs.

ASSOCIAZIONEMALIK.IT



#ONLINEFAMALEUGUALE/ ONLINE IT HURTS EQUALLY



Associazione Volontariato Torino - Vol.To Italy

Volontariato Torino (Vol.To) is the Volunteer Support Centre of Turin. It is an umbrella non-profit organisation with 158 member organisations and a network of more than 1,300 associations. It provides assistance to third sector entities by providing free services such as training, consultancy, and planning assistance. Vol. To has as mission to qualify and support volunteers in order to enable them to seize opportunities and take individual paths of development. To achieve that, it develops projects increasing interest in voluntary work and builds tailor-made learning paths on the needs of volunteers. Vol. To became the official Eurodesk local point of Turin in 2016.

The project "#OnlineFaMaleUguale" was created as a campaign to tackle one harsh reality identified among youth: over 50% of boys and girls between 11 and 17 years old report to have been bullied and, among those who use mobile phones, 22.2% report to have been victims of cyberbullying (according to the Italian Society of Preventive and Social Pediatrics).

So "#OnlineFaMaleUguale" was conceived as a new information campaign to study cyberbullying and to raise awareness about it. The project was carried out by 4 young women (Lorenza, Rebecca, Amal and Giulia) between 20 and 30 years old who were participating in the Italian National Civil Service program at Vol.To in 2020. They successfully merged the study of a phenomenon with the activation of young people in an issue essential for them. This active engagement of young people implied the creation of a short guide ("Do and Don't") including actions to carry out or to avoid when facing cyberbullying. The guide was accompanied by cyber defense "video pills", shared on our Eurodesk local point's social media.

The project was possible thanks to 153 respondents to the questionnaire who informed the guide and video pills to handle cyberbullying across Facebook, Instagram, Tik Tok, Twitter and Youtube. Additionally, 9 infographics "#SeLiConosciLiEviti" were published, with an average coverage of 100 people reached per post on Facebook and Instagram.

VOLONTARIATOTORINO.IT

EURODESK LUNAPARK

PRONI Center for social education

Croatia



PRONI Center for Social Education is a non-profit organisation founded in 1998 to improve the living conditions of young people, by opening choices and raising awareness on existing opportunities. Its vision is a society where young people are able to actively participate in making the decisions affecting them, thus taking responsibility in the process of social change.

"Eurodesk Lunapark" came up as a result of the cooperation between PRONI and Europe Direct Osijek. It was embedded in the "Time To Move" campaign 2020 to provide quality information about Erasmus+, Eurodesk Opportunities and theEuropean Solidarity Corps to young people.

Thus, the format of the "Eurodesk Lunapark" included fun games and conversations with representatives of the organisations which could provide more concrete information and guidance. Some of the games that were included as part of the activity were: a treasure hunt, the wheel of fortune, the "Looking at the future" questionnaire to find out what mobility suits them best, and "Reach your star game" which helped young people to discover which country they would visit first. These activities were developed with the help of volunteers and materials will be useful for upcoming activities promoting mobility opportunities for young people.

In total -and due to limitations on gatherings- 25 young people could enjoy and have fun at "Eurodesk Lunapark", but the initiative gained traction from local media and was reported on the radio and TV.

👉 PRONI.HR



EN BUSCA DE LA MONA LISA

Ayuntamiento de Alaquàs Spain



The Youth office of Alaquàs municipality works providing youth information in several areas from outdoor activities targeting young people to information at schools.

The project "En busca de la Mona Lisa" is an online escape room which takes participants on a tour of European cities and museums where they have to try to find Mona Lisa. The idea was born in the middle of the pandemic, when three European Solidarity Corps volunteers who were working in the municipality of Alaquàs had to stay at home due to the lockdown. Nonetheless they put their creativity to work and the escape room became a reality. "En busca de la Mona Lisa" employs an inclusive language and brings European cultural heritage closer to everyone thanks to the cooperation of volunteers from different nationalities. It stimulated interest and curiosity for European culture in a moment where it was not possible to travel, so it helped to distract young people from the imposed stillness.

After 14 days of hard work to develop the online escape room, it was made available for anyone with internet access, and so far more than 2,600 people have played this unique escape room online. It remains active and continuously updated so more and more people can enjoy the escape room.

👉 ALAQUAS.ORG



ADVENTURE GAME

Centre of Technical Culture Rijeka Croatia



CTC Rijeka is a non-profit non government registered organisation, founded in 1993, with the aim of encouraging and promoting technical education, computer science, and culture in general. To achieve that it organises activities in order to stimulate the interest of children, youth, workers and other citizens in areas of scientific, technical and IT culture with application in business and everyday life. It promotes scientific, technical, IT and cultural achievements. All activities of the association are carried out by a professional team which is supported by contractors and volunteers. "Adventure game" became a reality thanks to the involvement of 10 young volunteers who designed the project after participating in 5 preparatory workshops which were themed with the design of riddles, programming languages, Javascript and HTML, and QR creation.

The project was embedded in the "Time to Move 2020" campaign to create the opportunity to deliver information about mobilities offered in the Erasmus+ program while increasing their digital competencies. Thus the game started by scanning the QR code that opens a website where players can briefly read the history of the QR location and find out which famous person (Ernesto Guevara, Fiorello La Guardia, Carmen Svlve, etc.) is connected to that spot and learn about the way they got there. It was designed as an outdoor activity to allow everyone who wished to participate and comply with measures in place to tackle the pandemic.

"Adventure game" received broad press coverage: it was published in local media, and national television and 10,000 got to know the project through social media.

CTK-RIJEKA.HR/EN

C'ERANO UNA VOLTA IL MASCHILE E IL FEMMINILE

Servizio Politiche Giovanili, Sport e Associazionismo



Italy

Servizio Politiche Giovanili, Sport e Associazionismo brings together the different areas of work related to youth under the offices Agenzia Eurodesk, the Office for Young People and the Information Service. Their services target people between 11 and 29 years old. Among their activities are the promotion of European programmes for youth, information provision and guidance for those who aim to enter the labour market and pursue their passion. On top of that, Agenzia Eurodesk collaborates with student representatives from the region to inform them about the opportunities from which they can benefit.

Building on a long-lasting cooperation with Assessorato alle Pari Opportunità about gender equality, the project "C'erano una volta il maschile e il femminile" was born to encourage youngsters to pursue their dreams regardless gender stereotypes. The EU Gender Equality Strategy was put at the core of the idea which used storytelling and interviews to produce a video aimed to inform and inspire. The video was key to break stereotypes and put at the front positive examples of personal experiences. In turn, it also served to complement several activities (workshops, training, orientation courses) aimed to inform people and support them in looking for opportunities to follow their vocation.

Additionally, the use of social media to promote the video helped spread its message -in February 2021, the video had 956 views on the Facebook page. Thanks to on-site activities, more teachers and students got to know Eurodesk and its opportunities that they were not aware of before.

COMUNE.SAN-VITO-AL-TAGLIAMENTOPN.IT

NATIONAL TIME TO MOVE CAMPAIGN / ONLINE CHAT SERVICE

Dun Laoghaire Youth Information Service Crosscare

Ireland

Dun Laoghaire Youth Information Service provides a free and individualised information service to young people aged 15 to 25 years and to youth workers on a wide range of subjects including careers, education, employment matters, rights and entitlements, leisure, sport, travel and European opportunities.

As part of Time to Move Week, Eurodesk Multipliers in Ireland provided a national online support and advice service "YIChat" to young people interested in finding out more about European Opportunities. The service was available each evening from 4pm to 8pm and outside of those hours, young people could leave a message and receive a reply by email.

The aim was raising awareness among young people about the fantastic opportunities that are available to them (volunteering, education, employment) and offering reliable support to young people to access them. The campaign had a national approach and brought all Multipliers together under one project hence building on common knowledge and expertise. It could thus reach rural and urban areas thanks to the national outreach and direct engagement of local youth services.

It relied on young people and during the preparation of the campaign, they were consulted about images and messages they saw best to promote it according to their needs. In particular, the most accessible opportunities in terms of funding and cost were highlighted to offer people from disadvantaged backgrounds more easiness to benefit from the campaign.

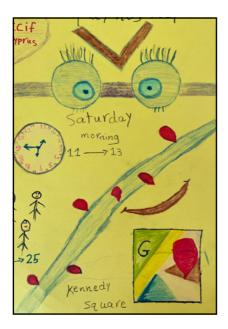
The project achieved results beyond clicks and visits to online resources (1,279 visitors to the spunout.ie/eurodesk and 199 people opened the YICHat from there) and it became a reality for 55 volunteers going abroad, 32 working and 8 studying.

YOUTHINFO.CROSSCARE.IE

CULTURAL TREASURES OF PAPHOS GAME

Cross Culture International Foundation Cyprus

Cross Culture International Foundation is an organisation using non-formal education to transform society and foster social inclusion. Its focus is on empowering youth regardless their gender, social, cultural, or educational background to boost an active citizenship. The organisation seeks to promote volunteering or employability opportunities underlying the values of tolerance, respect, mutual understanding, and sustainability.



"Cultural Treasures of Paphos" was designed as an interactive and educational game for participants between 12 and 25 years old. It took place during 3 Saturdays in October 2020.

At that point they started to look for the Cultural Points and when they found them, they had to take photos with their phones to discover and learn the story behind. This approach fostered their creativity since they had to explore the best perspective to demonstrate their artistic side. Winners were selected based on speed and matching of their photos with that shown on the map.

The project fostered their creativity and curiosity and helped them to learn about the local cultural heritage which they may have not known otherwise. Additionally, it helped the organisation to deliver quality information about youth opportunities and present their activities to strengthen their engagement.

On top of the direct participants in Paphos, social media posts reached more than 600 engagements and likes and so spreading the word about the activity, which will be resumed as soon as the pandemic situation improves.

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ONE RADIO ERASMUS

Asociación Cultural Ingalicia Spain

Asociación Cultural Ingalicia was founded in 2007 to promote a spirit of community integration while fostering European citizenship among the youth. It functions thus as a local tool to assist and support the implementation of non-formal education courses and to enhance awareness of European labour system practices.

The association works in a wide range of areas: from organising trainings, visits and meetings for youth to preparing events for public institutions on policies concerning youth, mobility, sports, local economic development, culture and cooperation with developing countries.

The project "One Radio Erasmus" was born as an innovative European web radio project set up by young people who address topics which are relevant to youth such as fake news, sexting or, EU opportunities. The team behind brought together people from 5 different countries (Spain, Italy, Iceland, Germany, and The Netherlands) in a period of time when mobility was highly restricted.

This circumstance helped promote strong bonds among participants. The project granted young participants complete command of the activity since the beginning, which contributed to developing their skills and capacity to self-organise. Using radio web helped spread the message and reached a diverse audience of participants. With many topics tackled during the episodes. As a result, more than 50 young people participated in creating around 40 podcasts accessed by 1540 people.

👉 INGALICIA.ORG

EUROVOLUNTEERISM

PlanBe Plan it Be it Cyprus

PlanBe is a non-governmental organisation based in Nicosia, Cyprus, which is run by a team of youth workers, project managers and volunteers. One of the main aims of "PlanBe" is to contribute to the positive societal changes by promoting effective communication between youngsters and to facilitate common understanding among people.Intercultural and intergenerational dialogue is favoured. Besides that, the organisation supports the use of non-formal education to foster entrepreneurship, boost creativity, raise awareness on environmental issues, foster democracy and human rights and reinforce solidarity and tolerance.

The "Eurovolunteerism" project consisted of the presentation of information about EU opportunities to young people before their graduated from high-school. Through non-formal education methodology, the organisation and its volunteers informed youngsters in a rural area of Nicosia, Lefkara. The active participation of the organisation's volunteers was key to illustrate the benefits of volunteering.

Focusing on solidarity and volunteering, the project opened up a world of possibilities to young people who had never heard of them.

After the presentation attended by 30 students at Lefkara's high school, "Eurovolunteerism" continued to inform youth through social media, whose posts reached around 1000 young people.

PLANBE-NGO.COM



TREASURE HUNT / ONE DAY THEMED "INTERNATIONAL YOUTH WORK"

Viljandi Open Youth Centre Estonia

Viljandi Open Youth Centre works for the development of youth's skills. To achieve that aim, it prepares different types of activities where youngsters can engage as participants or play their role in organising the activities. The main thematic focus are sustainability and youth mental wellbeing, for which the centre organised dedicated conferences.

Since the Covid-19 pandemic outbreak, the organisation has adapted to remote learning in both periods: spring (March-June) and autumn (from the end of November to January). Thus, the team was able to cope with providing youth information through social media.

The "Treasure Hunt" marathon took place during the winter school break and merged outdoors activities with online actions to further promote digital skills among young people. It ran for a week and had a specific day dedicated to international youth work. Using a smartphone, participants had to find clues that took them to the next task which could be a question or information to obtain- and they could involve their siblings or families to participate together.

This provided youth information in an interactive and fun way which could be adapted because some participants preferred to stay indoors since they could receive the same information and prizes (Eurodesk bag, Eurodesk reusable water bottle, notebook, book, and youth centre gifts) than those brave young people who dared to go outside at freezing temperatures of -11°C.

In total the activity gathered 6 outdoors participants and 160 respondents to the Treasure Hunt questions posted on the Instagram account. Even the local newspaper echoed their impact in the municipality!

👉 VILJANDINOORTEINFO.EE



INTERVIEWS WITH (NON) YOUTH

Open Youth Center of Šilalė "Pulsas" Lithuania

Open Youth Center of Šilalė "Pulsas" is focused on sports and active initiatives targeting young people such as in the organisation of youth running initiatives, table tennis tournaments or, basketball matches in Šilalė. Many young people from 14 to 29 years old take part in the activities proposed by the Open Youth Center of Šilalė "Pulse". Thanks to this, they have an opportunity to share experiences and meet other peers, play board games, and enjoy events organised in the Centre like game tournaments, movie nights and other events promoting youth initiatives.

During the events "interviews with (non) youth", the organisation had the chance to interview the photographer and public figure Ovidijus Pamedytis and, the professional dancer Justas Bareišis, former member of the dance ensemble "Žuvėdra". Interviews became also an opportunity to spread information about the Eurodesk network to reach those who were not aware of it before the event. Among the audience were representatives of nongovernmental youth organisations and residents from areas nearby Silale which helped reach a wider public beyond the 400 young people that took part in the activities in 2020.

SILALESKC.LT/ATVIRAS-JAUNIMO CENTRAS-PULSAS



EURODESK OUTDOOR COMFORT ZONE

Fundacja Centrum Aktywności Twórczej Poland

The Foundation was set up by three young people from Leszno who were eager to bring positive change and activation of the local community. It promotes European values such as tolerance, diversity and equal access to opportunities. Through workshops, training, conferences and several events, the organisation aims to strengthen youth engagement in civil life, to foster volunteering opportunities and spread the advantages of non-formal education.

"Eurodesk Outdoor Comfort Zone" consisted of a series of events -both online and offline- aimed at supporting young people in planning their future mobility experiences abroad. Outdoors spaces were favoured as much as possible to allow young people to connect with each other in nature and in a safe space for everyone.



Picnic activities to inform young people and introduce them to non-formal education were promoted throughout the region. To allow the inclusion of participants from rural areas the organisation provided free buses to reach the meeting-point areas so people from less-favoured places could benefit from the activities and obtain the same information. Three brunch events and one Eurodesk Picnic gathered 120 participants each, whereas 35 people attended outdoor mobility games.

Regarding the online side of the project, the organisation hosted 5 webinars that included informative sessions on Erasmus+ for teachers but it also provided fun games, discussions and language exchanges in a more relaxed atmosphere for youngsters.

👉 FUNDACJA-CAT.PL

TIME TO MOVE / SUPPORTING YOU TO WORK, STUDY AND VOLUNTEER IN EUROPE

Clondalkin Youth Information Service

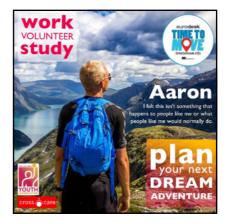
Ireland

The organisation is a regional office of Crosscare the Dublin Diocesan Youth and Social Care agency. It provides professional advice and guidance to young people in a wide range of issues in education, training and employment; helps them to fill in jobs, studies or scholarships applications and informs them about mobility opportunities.

The project was the result of a joint effort between Crosscare Youth Information Service (Clondalkin and Dun Laoghaire). The lead was taken by Clondalkin YIS in conjunction with Voluntary Service International, who came up with the idea of producing an interactive youth-friendly document introducing the various mobility themes. It included links to supporting services in each of the mobility areas presented.

As a resource, it acquired relevance, in as much, it was linked to the "Time To Move" week and promotion of different mobility opportunities. On top of it, thanks to a visually appealing design, it gathers different platforms to reach relevant information for young people: podcasts, webpages, platforms and blog posts.

The document has become a key element for young people to see at a glance different resources which prove truly useful for preparing their mobility experience.



FUTURO ES EUROPA

Asociación Ser Joven Spain

Asociación Ser Joven is a non-profit association working on the promotion of education through non-formal methods and providing youth information thanks to a multidisciplinary professional team. Through their activities, they promote an integral development of young people based on an active engagement, volunteering and tolerance.

The project "Future is Europe" aimed at promoting and informing young people in the region of Cantabria about existing mobility opportunities for them. It focused on the European Solidarity Corps (ESC) and emphasised the side of personal development as well as its roots in European values (solidarity, interculturality, tolerance, inclusion). It combined face-toface and online informative activities. However, the star activity of the campaign was theatre-based and consisted of an information table-stand where magicians cast tarot cards to young people who were brave enough to want to discover what their future was going to look like. The cards revealed that their future was to volunteer through the European Solidarity Corps, and afterwards they could ask the team about their doubts on volunteering and receive individual advice. Around 150 young people passed by the stand in Santander (city where it was located).

Other activities in the frame of the campaign were a photo-contest and online posts on Instagram and Facebook providing youth information about their opportunities. Thanks to this combination the project could reach out to young people living in rural areas of the region and spread further the information.

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EUROPEAN INTELLIGENCE IN TUKUMS

Tukums county Multifunctional Youth Initiative Center

Latvia

Tukums county Multifunctional Youth Initiative center is embedded in the municipalities' authority in Tukums and works in the field of youth information for the region.

"European Intelligence in Tukums" was organised as an orienteering game to inform young people and their families in a fun way outdoors. It was designed in a manner that could fit participants from 13 to 30 years old. Focused on promoting European citizenship, the game included 33 tasks which needed to be completed in a timed period. The combination of results and time required to complete the tasks was key to announce the winners. Tasks covered a wide spectrum of topics from Tukums' history and culture, European questions, Eurodesk information and mobility opportunities. This helped encourage motivation in the activity thanks to the combination of subjects. Participants could choose whether to engage in the activity individually or in teams so a total number of 63 was achieved who formed 12 teams.

As a result of the orientation event, young people's knowledge about Tukums, the history of Tukums, sightseeing objects, as well as about Europe, Eurodesk and the opportunities available to young people in Europe was promoted.

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EUROPEAN CULINARY COMPETITION

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The event "European Culinary Competition" took place during an entire month (27 October to 27 November) and it served to promote young people's knowledge of different European countries by discovering and preparing their typical cuisine.

In order to increase the competition's level, participants had to include 10 interesting facts about the country of their choice along with their recipe and pictures of their preparation. This format allowed everyone to boost their knowledge about an EU country in an active and dynamic way. Since it was a home-based activity with a high degree of autonomy, everyone could participate at their own pace.

At the end, the competition received 20 recipes -from participants between 13 and 25 years old- and 3 winners were selected among them.

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BREAK COVID(ANCE)

Bodrum Dance Youth Culture and Sports Club Association Turkey

Bodrum Youth Culture and Art Center (BDK) was established with the aim of increasing social and civic participation of young people and young professionals living in Bodrum. The Center organises local, national and international activities focusing on youth, culture and art.

It provides a space for young people to organise volunteering activities where they can discover opportunities beneficial for their personal and professional development.

"Break Covid(ance)" aimed to inform young people about the necessary measures that need to be taken during the pandemic to avoid further spreading of the virus. It was important to think about a collaborative action given the isolation that youth had suffered youth since the pandemic outbreak. Additionally, lockdown measures made it difficult to reach out to young people and establish a good flow of communication. However, the project succeeded in aetting voungsters involved at each stage: from the film script, choreography including figures to recall Covid-19 measures, recording and promotion in social media.

Using dance to inform young people

and involving them at all stages boosted their creativity and helped them to receive information and play an active role in society in a different manner. The organisation included the video as part of the promotion of the "Time to Move" campaign and so it reached 350 young people in 30 days. It proved to attract youngsters' attention since 65% of people who watched and shared the video became new followers.

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TRADITIONS AND CRAFTS OF CALENDAR HOLIDAYS

Palanga Students Club Lithuania

Palanga Students Club is an educational institution that implements non-formal education programs. The aim of the student club is to develop independent and creative personalities and active citizens. Within it, there are lots of different clubs

covering a great variety of activities such as DJ studio, painting, contemporary dance, sport dances, theatre, folk dance and songs, guitar studio, robotics...etc, where youngsters can take part for free.

The project "Traditions and crafts of calendar holidays", which attracted around 200 people, introduced different traditions across Europe to celebrate different festivities along the year. It helped increase bonds between participants using creative activities. Thanks to the involvement of youngsters and teachers, information about Eurodesk opportunities was also shared and discussed during the activities. Creativity was also taken outdoors during the project with activities such as decoration in the woods or going for a hike together. To boost their motivation, at the end of each activity, they held a contest of which participants had been informed beforehand.

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KDYS YOUTH INFORMATION AMBASSADORS

Kerry Diocesan Youth Service EurÓg KDYS Youth Information

Ireland

KDYS is a voluntary Youth Service Organisation, a charity supporting young people since 1971. It provides a wide range of activities for all young people. They benefit from professional guidance and training and can choose to engage in the topics they are most interested in. The activities developed by the organisation include fun and recreational activities but also support and services to assist young people and their families to face different challenges.

The project "Kdys Youth Information Ambassadors" attracted 22 young people (between 12-25 years old) devoted to represent Kdys in a positive manner, foster good relationships with others and promote Youth Information within their school, college or places of work.

The organisation ensured that they received training about the programme before they actively engaged in preparing activities themselves. "Kdys Youth Information Ambassadors" ran workshops about dancing, craft and mediation; provided information on volunteering and Eurodesk and attended a Human Rights Youth Summit in December 2020 with international participations.

In addition to attendees to workshops, social media posts on mental health and wellbeing, Time To Move campaign and rights received 24,594; 3,366; and 3,667 views respectively.

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ONE FOR ALL, ALL FOR ONE

Eurodesk Auch France

Since its establishment, the Youth Information Centre in the city of Auch has always encouraged young people to open up to other countries and cultures.

The center is head of the Youth Information network in Gers, and it was awarded the Eurodesk label in 1999, as well as the Europe Direct label. Thus it offers young people relevant counselling for all mobility projects in the EU and beyond. It is also a departmental resource centre for French as a foreign language/integration language (FLE/FLI).

The organisation identified a lack of information of local youngsters who had been on a mobility experience and who could encourage others to go on an experience abroad. With the project "One for all, all for one" they aimed to help overcome obstacles that young people face when they decide to go on a mobility experience for the first time and provide the necessary support for them. They came up with the idea of creating an exhibition of local young people who had been abroad and could become a reference for others in a format of peer sharing experience. It was showcased in schools, youth centres, as well as during the Europe Day celebrations organised by the City of Auch.

The "One for all, all for one" exhibition displaying a panel 7,20m in length, received 3,980 visitors between 2019 and 2020 in 9 events through a 20 minutes experience of discovery of local young mobility experiences. This adds 1,064 views on the Facebook page and social media channels.

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ANKARA SOCIAL INNOVATION YOUTH CENTER ASIGM

System and Generation

Turkey

System and Generation aims to foster economic growth, social and sustainable development while promoting Intercultural Citizenship Education. Based on the values of tolerance and harmonious co-existence. It works on migration and refugee related issues, encouraging social entrepreneurship initiatives, social inclusion of people with disabilities and fewer opportunities.

The project "Ankara Social Innovation Youth Center" is carried out by the Ankara Development Agency and implemented in partnership with the Social Innovation Application and Research Center (Ankara Social Sciences University).

The objective is to increase social entrepreneurship and innovation practices in Ankara by guiding young people who want to bring social innovation to the city. ASİGM, which will provide educational services as well as guidance, will be effective in increasing the qualified human resources of Ankara. Initially conceived as a presential/face-toface project it was adapted to go online so a webinar was hosted providing training and the projects continues to take steps towards more digitalisation. Increasing the online presence of the project was accompanied with measures in place to ensure accessibility for everyone: physical adaptation to access the centre, braille keyboard, subtitles in materials and reinforced support to train and assist disadvantaged groups.

By the end of the project, planned for January 2022, the organisation aims to have formed at least 50 young people entrepreneurs in the city.

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MY MOST SCARIEST AND FUNNIEST MOBILITY

Youth and Civil Initiatives in the Rose Valley NGO Bulgaria

Youth and Civil Initiatives in the Rose Valley is an organisation which aims to foster active youth citizenship, volunteering, intercultural dialogue, environmental awareness, gender equality and social inclusion for all. The local Youth Information Centre - Eurodesk Info pointis also embedded in the organisation. Through local, national and international initiatives, the organisation informs young people about educational mobilities, personal and professional development.

To deliver Eurodesk's campaign "Time to Move" the organisation took a two-fold approach. On the one hand, they aimed at promoting mobility opportunities for young people, and on the other, they gave voice to young people to share their experiences in mobilities and present their funniest and scariest moments to motivate others and boost their interest. Among the activities organised, the info event "Night in the Youth Centre" outdoors stood out for its originality and innovation. This was the occasion to brief youngsters about mobility opportunities and introduce the Eurodesk network. As it was outdoors and free everyone was invited to participate and those who did receive a goodie to take with them to their future mobility.

The week before the event, young people had been sharing on the social media pages of the organisation their personal stories about mobilities, which helped in reaching thousands of people (estimates of 5,000 indirect beneficiaries through social media posts) beyond the 30 participants to the "Night in the Youth Centre".



CLOTHING UPCYCLING WORKSHOP AND T-SHIRT DESIGN CONTEST

Alūksne Children and Youth Centre (ACYC) Latvia

ACYC aims to promote children and youth initiatives, participation in public decision making and social life and development of knowledge, skills and positive attitudes according to their age, needs and interests. The organisation is also in charge of coordinating youth policy in Alūksne municipality. To achieve these aims, non-formal education activities are promoted along with implementation and participation in local and European projects and facilitation of leisure time activities.

"Clothing UPCYCLING workshop" was made to gather local youngsters and help them to discover different ways of reusing clothes, be ecologically active, get to know EU programme opportunities and take part in Time To move T-shirt design competition. Everyone could join the activity and a car pick-up was organised to bring people to the activity from nearby villages. The workshop succeeded in embedding sustainability topics under the "Time To Move T-shirt contest" because participants had the chance to get to know mobility opportunities in a fun and creative environment.

In total, 20 young people could attend the workshop in person but the activity had a greater impact through social media with 1,019 viewers on Facebook and 80 likes on Instagram posts.

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ONLINE EUROGASTRO

Európa Ifjúsága Egyesület Hungary

Youth of Europe Association was founded in 2008 and it aims to promote the autonomy and personality of young people and their active social engagement. It is particularly engaged in supporting disadvantaged young people (including from rural areas) and promoting the integration of minorities and people with disabilities in society.

Among their activities, which are based in non-formal education, are international youth exchanges, training, children and family programmes, exhibitions, camps, quizzes, courses, concerts, performances, and coordination of European Solidarity Corps. "Online Eurogastro" was embedded in the series of events promoting the "Time to Move" campaign. It consisted of a livestreamed event where three European Solidarity Corps volunteers took the leading role and informed the audience about mobility opportunities in a creative manner that allowed them to show recipes from their home country.

Participants showed a great interest and active engagement through many messages received during and after the event to discover more about the information on European opportunities that was shared during the event.

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EUROPE IN YOUR LIVING ROOM

D2 Youth Center Hungary

D2 Youth Center is a youth information office and community space in the heart of Szeged, providing after school activities to young people. However, it is not limited to extracurricular activities and it offers all kinds of services to young people between 13 and 29 years old such as provision of a youth office, a radio studio and a community space. Thus, the main activities of the centre consist of providing information about national and international events, assisting in setting up community spaces for young people and involvement in dissemination of youth information in events or schools.

"Europe in your living room" became a series of information-providing webinars organised in cooperation with European information networks: Eurodesk, Euroguidance, EURES, Europass, and EPALE. The aim of the online events was to emphasise the importance of preparation for future mobility - despite the pandemic restrictions. Each occasion (organised monthly) had a specific focus: general information about European networks and mobility options; Erasmus+ mobilities in details; and country-specific opportunities. Participants could access the meeting without prior registration, and it was up to them whether stay as listeners or engage more actively. After the meeting, contacts from the organisations were distributed and offered further support to those interested in starting to plan their future mobility.

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EURODESKNEWS

OpenCom i.s.s.c. Italv

OpenCom was founded in 2011 in Arezzo as a social enterprise dealing with training, communication, sustainability, project management and ICT at international level. Additionally, OpenCom became a Eurodesk Centre for the Province of Arezzo in 2018. It seeks to involve students and young people in youth information and improve their knowledge and skills. Some of the activities in this field are related to hosting students from European countries, developing IT tools and collaborating with high schools, Institutions and Universities for social innovation and the development of innovative curricula.

"Eurodesk News" came up as an idea developed by the Eurodesk Center of Arezzo (ECA) to keep information alive and training activities addressed to schools and students in a difficult moment such as the COVID-19 pandemic. Hence "Eurodesk News" is a weekly video news, as a newscast format, informing on European opportunities for young people which was initially disseminated through social media but eventually got a space on local TV.

The content was prepared by students and their source was Eurodesk networks to make sure that the information provided was reliable and of quality. Anyone could get involved because recordings took place at home using their own devices. "Eurodesk News" was published every Friday on ECA and the Council social media channels, on a regional television station and sent out on a weekly newsletter. The episodes were recorded in Italian since this is an initiative mainly aimed at local and national youngsters.

The project as it had been initially conceived came to an end in September 2020, but it was transformed from "local" to national, with the involvement of the Eurodesk Italy network. Thus, sharing the initiative to bring youth information to a wider audience. This qualitative jump marks how successful the project was which in its first stage had 33,843 viewers through social channels and 375 newsletter recipients.

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PLE-Y - AGORADIO

Associazione Link APS / Parco Nazionale dell'Alta Murgia Italy

Since 2003 Link Association has acquired a long experience in the field of youth and , in particular, in their mobility in Europe and volunteering (Erasmus + project and European Solidarity Corps). Thanks to this experience, it became a Eurodesk Local point of the "High Murgia National Park" in Altamura (Ba). This meant a qualitative development in the way young people are informed in the Murgian area about various opportunities offered to them by the European Union. In addition to providing youth information, the organisation prepares numerous initiatives such as youth exchanges, info days, youth worker mobilities and volunteering in the nonformal education sector.

"PLE-Y (Punto Locale Eurodesk - Youth) – Agoradio" consisted of a podcast series by young people addressed to young people. They were the main engineers behind the project: from the content to the technical side of it. This opportunity gave them a fresh European-wide experience from home thanks to the contents discussed and debates despite mobility restrictions in place at that time. Participants were able to share their experience in European mobilities and had the chance to approach a radiophonic working environment. The project had a remarkable success: it was shared amongst 99 radios members of ANGinRadio (the antennas of the Italian National Youth Agency), obtained good ratings in social media platforms and was included in online streaming platforms such as Spotify and Streamer.

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THE WORLD AT OUR FINGERTIPS

PIJ de Moulins (managed by VILTAIS) France

Point Information Jeunesse de Moulins or PIJ de Moulins (Youth Information Centre) is responsible for hosting, informing, guiding and putting the youth in contact with local organisations for different topics: job search, internships, accommodation.

Thus, it aims to support young people in different steps of those endeavours. On top of the information services covering a broad range of topics (studies, job, lifelong learning, leisure activities or mobility), there are different services made available for free to young people in Moulins inside the centre such as an administrative area or computer workstation.

"The World at our Fingertips'' started in 2019 to allow young people from the area to meet and discuss their respective cultures over a drink or even traditional food. This initiative was set to fill the increasing need of reliable international information for young people in a globalised context. As actual opportunities of going abroad and travelling are not at the hand of everyone, regular meetings, gathering people from different backgrounds helped to promote mobility programmes and strengthened tolerance and diversity.

Gatherings under the project "The World at our Fingertips" had a total of 300 participants who were able to discover mobility opportunities and discuss with peers several issues in a diverse and enriching atmosphere.

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LA MERIENDA ESPAÑOLA

Comune Di Sarezzo Italy

Informagiovani di Sarezzo became a Eurodesk member in 1996, and has helped inform more than 1,500 youngsters per year on opportunities offered by the European Union. In order to provide relevant vouth information Informagiovani di Sarezzo organises numerous initiatives such as youth exchanges, training and information campaigns and events both on a national and international scale. It is thus recognised as a sending organisation in the European Solidarity Corps programme. Additionally, in 2015 the Youth Information was entrusted with the task of promoting active citizenship of young people at the local level.

"La merienda española" came to light when Sara, one of the young girls from Sarezzo who was volunteering in Spain at the time the lockdown was imposed in the country, was unable to return home to Italy. The organisation had to think of a way to keep Sara connected to her home and try to make her European Solidarity Corps an enriching experience despite mobility restrictions. Inspired by a long-standing initiative "English breakfast" run by the organisation, Sara and the organisation came up with the idea of hosting online meetings to chat and learn Spanish. Twice a week -Tuesday and Thursday- during an hour, people gathered with the aim to learn Spanish but friendly bonds among participants were created and maintained until today.

The project was truly a success and despite limiting participation to 15 people to make the most of the experience and make sure that everyone had their chance to speak in a comfortable atmosphere, approximately 100 requests of participation were received. After the experience, the group reported the experience on the local newspaper to share their feelings and views on the project.

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#EUROQUIZ

Youth Information Centre of Paphos Cyprus

The Youth Information Centre of Paphos acts as the Youth Board of Cyprus in the city and as the contact point of the European Information Network Eurodesk.

Hence the YIC of Paphos seeks to provide information to young people on any subject of their interest in order to empower them, foster their active citizenship, and to support them in dealing with potential future challenges. Thus the organisation covers a wide range of topics relevant to youth: education and studies, volunteering, personal and professional development, co-funding programmes, mobility programmes and many more. Moreover, the Youth Information Centre of Paphos operates as a contact point of the European Information Network Eurodesk.

"#EUroQUIZ" became an online quiz consisting of 14 questions testing young people's knowledge about European topics. It helped them to learn more about European- related topics such as geography, history, sports and culture but also inform them about European mobility opportunities. Hence they received quality information about Erasmus+, European Solidarity Corps, DiscoverEU, or the European Youth Card in an entertaining and fun manner. The project was also included in the series of activities celebrating the 30th anniversary of Eurodesk "#EUroQUIZ" run for three weeks (announcing a weekly winner) during which more than 600 young people enjoyed the game and the local press reported on the initiative in more than 10 publications.

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PARTIRE...PERCHÉ? - LEAVE ... WHY?

Agenzia Eurodesk dei Comuni del Distretto

Sanitario di Ozieri (Italy)

Eurodesk Agency of the Municipalities of the Ozieri District, born within the Youth APP service of the Lares Family Center in Ozieri. The Youth APP service aims to promote the relevance of young people aged 13 to 35 years, residing in the municipalities of the district. This is done through various educational, cultural and aggregative projects and interventions, with the knowledge of their proposals and in line with their interests, passions and personal predispositions. With the creation of the Eurodesk Agency within the Youth APP Service, youth leadership continues to be promoted by expanding the range of proposals and activities aimed at young people and extending the range of action beyond the district and regional borders.



The project "Leave ... Why?" gave voice to young people who had been on a mobility experience to encourage others to find their opportunities. Thus in a series of videos young people relate their personal stories and views on mobilities so that others can find their motivation to go abroad.

Using familiar, clear and direct language helped increase the videos outreach and with 7 publications, a total of 570, 500 views were achieved on the YouTube channel!

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