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Anti-discrimination media training workshop

Media professionals and trainers from journalism institutes representing 16 countries gathered at the European Youth Center in Strasbourg between 26-28 August. They discussed media coverage as it relates to intercultural issues and discrimination.

"Fighting discrimination and promoting intercultural dialogue is a collective responsibility but it is also down to individuals. That is the message of the Council of Europe's "Speak out against discrimination" campaign.

The campaign supports the media sector's own efforts to play a constructive role in an increasingly multicultural environment. While fully respecting the independence and autonomy of media professionals and media organisations, the campaign pursues three interrelated objectives:

- To encourage the media to communicate information on discrimination and on anti-discrimination mechanisms to the general public and (potential) discrimination victims;
- To better prepare media professionals for working in a multicultural Europe;
- To facilitate the access of professionals with a minority background to all sectors of the media industry.

The key focus of the campaign will be on various aspects of discrimination arising out of racist attitudes and prejudices, in particular those with an Islamophobic, anti-Semitic and anti-Gypsy background.

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Handbook for life-world oriented social and pedagogical work with endangered young people published

The handbook is one of the results of the German-Romanian "Child offenders" Twinning Project, the first EU Twinning project ever realized in the youth field. The Twinning Project was finished in July 2009.

This Handbook is intended as accompanying literature for training organized by the German-Romanian "Child offenders" Twinning Project, the first EU Twinning project ever realised in the youth field.

It is the general aim of the handbook, and of the guidelines, legal frameworks and practical socio-pedagogic methods presented in it,

to ensure the quality of new specialized services working with criminally non liable child offenders that are being build up in Romania today. Moreover, this handbook aims at contributing to innovative social practice with child offenders from the theoretical and political perspective of promoting the rights and competencies of children, including those who have become offenders, and empowering them and their families.

You can download the handbook here:

http://youth-partnership.coe.int/youth-partnership/news/attachments/Handbook_Work_With_Endangered_Young_People_Romania_Germany.pdf

A Call for proposals 'Partnerships' has been published by the European Commission

The Directorate General Education and Culture of the European Commission has launched a call for proposals 'Partnerships' within the framework of sub-action 4.6 of the Youth in Action programme.

The main purpose of the call for proposals is to support partnership projects with regional or local public bodies (i.e. regions, municipalities, etc.) or with organisations active in the youth sector at European level, which intend to develop or reinforce their long-term actions, strategies and programmes in the field of non-formal learning and youth.

Deadline for submission of applications: **01 December 2009**

Projects must start between 01 April 2010 and 01 September 2010
Maximum duration of the programme of activities: 24 months

More information you can find here:

http://eacea.ec.europa.eu/youth/funding/2009/call_action_4_6_en.php

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60 movies for the 60th Anniversary of the Council of Europe competition

The Directorate of Youth and Sport of the Council of Europe is organising the Forum on Human Rights Education with Young People that will be held in the European Youth centre in Budapest from 14 to 18 October 2009.

Young people and youth organisations can have the chance to have their say and send their 1 minute video message to the participants in the Forum. The video messages should be relevant to the audience, celebrate the 60th anniversary of the Council of Europe, bring a "youth spirit", express the personal experience with the Council of Europe and give a message for the future work of the organisation in the area of human rights and human rights education.

Deadline for receiving movies is **27 September 2009**.

More details on how to send the video are available on:

http://www.coe.int/t/dg4/youth/default_en.asp