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Preparatory seminar for the European On-line Youth Campaign Against Hate Speech

Strasbourg, 10-12 October

The on-line youth campaign is a central element of the project Young People Combating Hate Speech On-line. The campaign will be implemented in 2013 with the agency of young people and youth organisations and should be "demultiplied" in national campaigns and initiatives so as to be as close to young people as possible. By definition, most of the campaign actions will take place on-line, but they should be supported and complemented by off-line activities.

The seminar's main function is to involve and inform the partners and future actors of the campaign and to prepare the programme of activities of the campaign as well as support and communication structures. It is therefore primarily addressed to governmental and non-governmental representatives and youth leaders who seriously intend or expect to take a leading role in organising, mobilising young people or disseminating information in their countries, services or organisations.

The deadline for applications is short - **15 September**.

More information about the project Young People Combating Hate Speech On-line can be found here:

http://www.coe.int/t/dg4/youth/Source/News&Calls/2012_YPCHSO_presentation_en.pdf

NGOS NEWS



A Picture for Peace - Photo Competition

UNOY Peacebuilders invites you to take part in A Picture for Peace, an international photography contest open to all in honor of International Day of Peace on September 21. Participants are asked to submit a photograph to illustrate their answer to the question, "why are youth important in peacebuilding?" The contest will be run through an app on UNOY Peacebuilders' [Facebook page](#), and will run from August 14, 2012 (12:00 GMT) to September 13, 2012 (00:00 GMT).

The contest seeks to promote the role of youth as peacebuilders, raise awareness about youth initiatives around the world and encourage young people to participate in peace-building activities.



Prize of Schwarzkopf Foundation

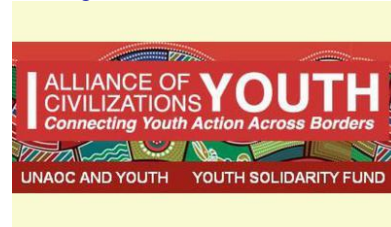
The Schwarzkopf Foundation is looking for young Europeans between the ages of 18 and 26, (in 2013 the prize winner should not be older than 26) who are imaginative and active in an honorary capacity, engaged for the European understanding and integration. Young people who are aware that a united Europe is of extraordinary importance for a successful future for European citizens and who are willing to advocate for the European idea.

Each year, the Schwarzkopf Foundation rewards a young European for his or her outstanding commitment to fostering international understanding and the union of Europe. At the same time we want to encourage and motivate these young people to continue to champion these ideals. If you know a young person who fits this description, please fill in the enclosed nomination form and send it with the requested documents to e-mail: i.keuper@schwarzkopf-stiftung.de

The Prize is endowed with € 5.000. This amount is intended to finance a six-month internship with a Member of the European Parliament or another European institution. It is also possible to use the sum to finance a project which promotes European integration.

Deadline for entries: **30 October 2012**

For further information: <http://www.schwarzkopf-stiftung.de/?l=en&area=11&areaS=739&id=>



5th Forum of the United Nations Alliance of Civilizations

Vienna, Austria, February 26 - 28, 2013

The Forum will explore on how responsible leadership can make a difference in the following three major issues:

- 1) Addressing the universal right to religious freedom and promoting a new religious pluralism through education
- 2) Media pluralism and diversity of media content and their contribution to fostering public debate and;
- 3) Shaping a new narrative for migration, integration and mobility in the global economy.

Up to 150 youth (between 18 and 35 years old) from diverse cultural and religious backgrounds with outstanding track records in intercultural dialogue and youth work will be selected as participants of the Youth Event (February 26) and the 5th UNAOC Forum (February 27 and 28) in Vienna.

Please see the [application guidelines](#) for more details and eligibility criteria. If you meet the eligibility criteria, please complete the [application form](#).

The application deadline is 11:59 PM, New York time, Thursday **November 1, 2012**. Send your application to viennayouth@unaoc.org