



### COUNCIL OF EUROPE NEWS



#### "All different All Equal" campaign features on Euronews

An event to bring together young immigrants, organised by the Council of Europe's "All different All Equal" campaign has featured on the Euronews Europeans programme.

The eight minute programme highlights the plight of immigrant workers and focuses on the Campaign event in Monopoli, Italy, with interviews on the campaign by Director of Youth and Sport Rene Weingartner and Campaign Manager Michael Raphael.



#### Trafficking in human beings: Seminar in Yerevan

An international seminar in Yerevan, Armenia, on 5 and 6 September, examines the problems caused by trafficking in human beings and will try to identify solutions. The seminar brings together national and local politicians and representatives of non-governmental organisations from Armenia, Belgium, Bulgaria, Croatia, Georgia, Romania, and the Russian Federation. This is the eighth information and awareness-raising seminar which aims to promote the widest possible ratification of the Organisation's Convention on Action against Trafficking in Human Beings.

### BALTIC SEA SECRETARIAT FOR YOUTH AFFAIRS NEWS



#### Youth Conference "Under the Surface" Pärnu, Estonia, September 27 – 29

The UBC (Union of the Baltic Cities) Commission on Youth Issues is planning for the third youth conference "Under the Surface" which will be held in interaction with the IX UBC General Conference. This conference will take place from the 27th until the 29th of September 2007 in Pärnu, Estonia.

#### Themes / topics of the conference

- Young today
- Youth info society
- Youth and NGO's
- Tolerance & intercultural
- EVS
- Keeping the door open

#### Participation in the conference

Participation in the conference will be open to youths and civil servants from all UBC member cities. Look for more information on our web site [www.ubc-youth.org](http://www.ubc-youth.org).

The UBC Commission on Youth Issues has also created its own Skype account: [ubc-coyi](https://www.skype.com/join/ubc-coyi).

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### COMPETITIONS

#### Photo competition for young photographers: „...Where the Baltic Sea and People Meet...”

Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Latvia within the framework of Latvian presidency of the Council of the Baltic Sea States in cooperation with the Latvian Centre for Contemporary Art announces a photo competition „...Where the Baltic Sea and People Meet...”, where young photographs between 18 – 30 years old from all of the 11 Baltic Sea Region countries (Denmark, Estonia, Finland, Germany, Iceland, Latvia, Lithuania, Norway, Poland, Russia, Sweden) are invited to participate.

Selected works will be included in the traveling photo exhibition visiting 11 metropolises of all the Baltic Sea Region countries during the next year.

The photo exhibition is organized within the framework of the project "Balkiness", which will be a year long series of public events taking place in the metropolises of all 11 Baltic Sea Region countries to promote public awareness of regional cooperation in the context of common regional values, goals and challenges, to develop region's competitive identity and to highlight the Baltic Sea as a life artery for the people living around it.

#### Deadline for competition - September 5, 2007

The rules of competition and participant's application form are available on the Latvian CBSS presidency web page

<http://www.am.gov.lv/en/cbss/Balticness/Photo-exhibition/>



#### BMW Group Award for Intercultural Learning

BMW group invites send applications for the BMW Group Award for Intercultural Learning 2007

The BMW Group Award for Intercultural Learning is divided into two categories, Theory and Practice. It is a principle of the Award that entries be closely aligned to the basic philosophy of the LIFE concept.

In the Theory category, prizes are awarded for degree work and other academic research projects that address the issue of intercultural learning. In all disciplines, a work should demonstrate new ideas and an innovative approach to the issue of "Intercultural Learning" that can be seen to be original with respect to current academic teaching.

In the Practice category, prizes are awarded to committed private individuals, groups and institutions who plan initiatives for intercultural learning processes and carry them out in the form of concrete projects – for instance in child, youth and adult education, in neighbourhood projects, cultural and sporting programmes, etc.

The closing date for sending in application documents is 15 October 2007.

The application documents and detailed information on Award can be found on the Web at

[www.bmwgroup.com/award-life](http://www.bmwgroup.com/award-life)