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EuroVolNet Brochure dedicated to volunteering and volunteers in SPORT

Challenges for Volunteering in sport in Europe

Written by The International Sport and Culture Association – ISCA



ISCA - International Sport and Culture Association and EuroVolNet project partners committed to adapting to new trends and needs in the field of volunteering in sport. It is the role of ISCA to assist such development by providing with relevant information on volunteering, opportunities and challenges in volunteering in sport and that EuroVolNet voice is heard. EuroVolNet brochure is a common product of ISCA and EuroVolNet partners dedicated to volunteering. It includes european facts on volunteering, opportunities and challenges for volunteering in sport and “volunteers cards”.

“Volunteers cards” in the brochure is a page dedicated to volunteers in sport. It presents a european map with the clear differences in the level of volunteering between Member States, differences in the number of volunteers in Member States, differences in the skills and competences volunteers have, situation on short-term volunteering as opposed to long-term volunteering, involvement of group of different ages, and a gender dimension in sport sectors.

Find more here: <http://www.eurovolnet.info/brochure>

Volunteering in sport: trends, opportunities and challenges EuroVolNet magazine

Written by The International Sport and Culture Association – ISCA



ISCA - International Sport and Culture Association introduces a special issue of scientific journal that was developed in partnership with the Sport and Citizenship, partners of the EuroVolNet project and the support of the European Commission.

The Special issue: "Volunteering in sport: trends, opportunities and challenges" will give you answers on What is at stake in Europe when dealing with volunteering? Can we imagine a European status for volunteers? How to recruit and further support volunteers? What is the social and economic impact of volunteering?

The magazine also shows good examples of EuroVolNet project partners regarding

- Recruitment of volunteers
- Education and training for
- Retention of volunteering on practical level
- Recognition of volunteering on political/public level
- Validation on volunteering
- (Economical, social) Value of Volunteering
- New ways of funding

Find the Magazine here: <http://www.eurovolnet.info/magazine>

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Traditional Scout campaign revived

Written by The World Organization of the Scout Movement – WOSM



The Scout Association plans to re-launch the campaign that was once very successful. Bob-a-job week, first introduced after the Second World War, became an annual fixture in which boys knocked on doors to ask for work to do and expected a shilling in their fundraising envelope in return. It will be in modern form and will be called Community Week, designed to comply with health and safety laws and to avoid the risk of compensation claims.

Instead of offering to wash cars or mow lawns for a shilling, the new 'community week' will see Scouts offering help to hospitals, care homes or volunteer groups. Around 40,000 scouts are expected to undertake activities. Sometimes there will be tasks carried out for private households in return for a donation to the local scout troop - although with the ruinous level of inflation they would probably hope that the old rate of a shilling would be superseded by something higher.



Probably the greater focus will be on a single project lasting a week and involving the whole group - perhaps polishing items in a museum or doing some gardening for a hospital or care home, or clearing woodland or building work on a local playground. The work will be done for free but residents in the local community who appreciate it will be invited to give money.

There are 400,000 scouts in the UK - aged from six to 25. There are another 30,000 on the waiting list to join as there is a shortage of adult volunteers. There are 94,000 of them but that isn't enough. 'Modern working patterns make it harder for people to commit to always be able to do a slot like a Tuesday evening,' the Scouts spokesman Simon Carter tells.

CSR Europe Activity Report. The European Year of Volunteering 2011

November 2011 - Written by CSR Europe



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The Spanish Volunteering Platform hosted the XIVth State Volunteering Congress in Galicia

Written by CEV - European Volunteer Center



EUROPEAN VOLUNTEER CENTRE

More than a thousand people participated in the XIVth State Volunteering Congress, on 29 November- 1 December 2011, which took place in Coruña, Galicia, Spain. The congress was organised by the Xunta de Galicia (regional Galician government), in collaboration with the Spanish Volunteering Platform (Plataforma de Voluntariado de España), CEV members, and the Spanish Ministry of Health, Social Policy and Equality. The conference aimed to depict the present and future landscape of volunteering in Spain. Along with presentations, round tables, debates and workshops, the event also hosted 71 stands of various volunteer promoting, and volunteer involving entities throughout Spain. H.R.H. Felipe de Borbon, Prince of Asturias closed the event by presenting the Spanish state volunteering awards. One of the organisations awarded is CEV member Fundacion Cibervoluntarios. They have been granted an Honourable Mention in the State Social Volunteering Awards 2011, in recognition of their volunteer work that generates new forms of participation and social innovation in support of individuals and groups at risk of exclusion.

French Red Cross : Mobilising Local Branches for the European Year of Volunteering

Written by Red Cross - EU Office



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Throughout the year 2011, French Red Cross invited its local branches to participate in actions to celebrate the European Year of Volunteering. Between the 5th November and 5th December local Red Cross organizations worked together on promoting the visibility and recognition of volunteering and volunteers. The broad public was invited to say "Bravo" and "Merci!" to the 52 000 French Red Cross volunteers for their humanitarian engagement via a facebook-based campaign. Volunteers were also invited to serve as ambassadors for volunteering with the task to promote volunteering and to help recruiting new volunteers. Finally, local groups were given advice how to develop further volunteering and voluntary service i.e. by paying attention to the beneficiaries of voluntary work, to informing and training of volunteers, visibility and accessibility of services.

Find attached a selection of documents and flyers presenting the campaigns to local Red Cross branches.

[See document 1](#) [See document 2](#) [See document 3](#) [See document 4](#)



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British Red Cross programme: International Youth Volunteering Programme

Written by Red Cross - EU Office



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The British Red Cross brought partners from Germany, Armenia, Norway and France for the international youth volunteering programme together for a conference to enhance their working relationships, discuss future plans for the programme and agree a common framework. The conference was a two day event (21-22nd November) funded by the EU. The conference explored:

Individual National Red Cross Society direction and areas of interest in international youth volunteering

- Networking between National Red Cross Societies
- Showcasing of projects by other national societies as well as UK project development
- Young people's experiences of the programme first hand
- Practicalities, financial framework and EU reporting, risk prevention & crisis management
- Support to young people with additional support needs
- Employability links for young people
- Other possible areas for synergy (eg Humanitarian Education)

All delegates inputted into the programme to develop its future direction. We achieved common streamlined and transparent processes for recruitment, financial and volunteer management as well as better quality project design.

48h Voluntariado

Written by The World Organization of the Scout Movement – WOSM



More than 3000 rovers scouts of CNE, Portugal, were involved in 82 volunteering projects, all across the country, during the weekend 11 - 13 November 2011.

The projects were chosen and organized by themselves and covered areas as environment/historical heritage/social assistance/buildings' renewal (schools and child institutions)/etc. All projects were developed in partnership with the community, and several of them involved also non-scout people's volunteering.

More information (in Portuguese) at <http://48h.cne-escutismo.pt>

<http://www.facebook.com/#!/CNE48hvoluntariado>

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JOIN exhibition "Volunteer without borders"

Written by Johanniter International – JOIN



Johanniter International organised the opening ceremony of the JOIN exhibition "Volunteer without borders, a tribute to the European Year of Volunteering" on 8 November 6:30 pm at the European Parliament. The exhibition took place between 7-11 November 2011 and was hosted by Alexander Graf Lambsdorff, MEP. The opening ceremony will be followed by a reception and the opportunity to exchange views with JOIN volunteers and board members. With this exhibition the Johanniter organisations concluded their contributions to the European Year of Volunteering 2011. Read Johanniter press release.



Please save the date! | **Volunteers without borders** | 7 – 11 November 2011

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ECTP - European Citizenship Trimester Programme - Camp in Brussels

Written by The European Federation for Intercultural Learning – EFIL



From Sunday 27 November until Thursday 1 December, after having spent three months abroad on an AFS trimester exchange, 169 young students, age 14 to 18, coming from 16 European countries, gathered in Brussels for the EFIL closing Camp of the European Citizenship Trimester Programme, before returning to their home countries. Add to this a team of 36 volunteers (prep team, trainers and support team), and you have a wonderful multicultural mix with people from Russia, Austria, Poland, Latvia, Italy, Switzerland, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Portugal, Spain, Denmark, Germany, France, Czech Republic, Hungary, Slovakia, Croatia, The Netherlands, Belgium Flanders and Belgium French, plus one participant from Canada. Additional hosting destinations were Serbia, Turkey and Ireland.

At the Brussels Camp, the participants had the unique opportunity to share their AFS experience with their peers from all over Europe, providing a superb climax and a substantial additional value to their trimester school exchange. In dynamic workshops and interactive sessions they reflected on their stay abroad and focused on topics like European and Active Citizenship. On Wednesday afternoon, we were joined by Mrs Maria Podlasek-Ziegler from the Youth In Action Unit of the DG Education and Culture of the European Commission, who talked to the participants about the opportunities for active citizenship offered to young people through the Youth in Action Programme (incl. EVS, Youth Initiatives, etc.).

A visit to Europe's capital city once again proved to be among the highlights of the Camp. A first group of participants went to visit the European Parliament, where they learned about the Parliament, the Council of Ministers and the European Commission, their legislative and executive roles, members and presidency. The visit included the impressive hemi-circular auditorium where the Parliament holds its Brussels sessions and committee meetings. A second group of participants visited the recently opened "Parlamentarium", the European Parliament's new Visitors' centre, where the students engaged in an





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interactive virtual trip through Europe and learned in a refreshing and dynamic way how decisions are made in Europe and how they influence our daily lives. Different from the previous years, the weather gods were on our side, and we continued the day's programme with a rally through Brussels' city centre to give the students an opportunity to see the royal Palace, the Grand Place and other major landmarks of Brussels.

On Thursday, tired but with big smiles on their faces and with lots of new friends, all the participants were transported to the airport to return to their homes after a trimester abroad and four intense days of sharing and learning. With the extraordinary support of the volunteers of the prep team, the support team and the trainers, coming from EFIL's Member Organisations in all corners of Europe, EFIL's third edition of the ECTP Camp was a tremendous success. We have already booked the venue for next year's edition!