

2015 ACTIVITY REPORT



2015

*Be rural, believe in You(th), create the
Europe of tomorrow!*

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BE RURAL, BELIEVE IN YOU(TH), CREATE THE EUROPE OF TOMORROW!

“In this annual report we like to present our work and achievements in 2015.

The central theme of this vital year full of activities was youth-unemployment in Europe. It is a topic with an urgent need of action that concerns many young people in our member organisations and in Europe in general. To achieve awareness on this topic, to activate our members and to support them to see their capacities to fight for a job, we organized a series of activities.

*In July we started our activities with the seminar **Let Us In! Keeping the Faith in You(th)!**. The participants had the chance to discuss different perspective on youth unemployment and to search for solutions. As a result they created a position paper that was used as a basic for the training **Let me lead you(th) to success!** where our members worked on a tool kit. In this training they got skills and could use the developed methods afterwards in their home-countries. In the end of the year they organized a series of **local trainings** for young people in rural areas on the topic youth unemployment. Next to this activities that were built on each other, we organized in a fruitful cooperation with our partner Rural Youth Europe and the European Youth Centre of the Council of Europe the study session **Unveiling rural realities –Unlocking youth potential!** on the topic youth unemployment.*

In addition to our activities and different meetings with our partners, we gathered with our members at the European Coordination and our General Assembly to plan the year, to vote on the European Team, the representatives of our organizations in the European coordination and different working groups. We voted on the affiliation of our new members from Turkey and Armenia. Furthermore we discussed on the recent dramatic situation of refugee and migrants in and at the borders of Europe and finalized a position paper on Migration. This paper leads to the next year’s topic where we will discuss migration as one result of climate change.”







*Veronika Nordhus,
President of MIJARC Europe*

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About MIJARC Europe

MIJARC Europe, the International Movement of Catholic Agricultural and Rural Youth is:

-  a democratic movement of self-organised young people;
-  an European network of national and regional movements;
-  an educational movement, aware of the problems of the rural youth in Europe;
-  an action movement working for and with young people to create social change (through lobbying, advocacy...);
-  a movement based on Christian values;
-  a movement which gathers young people who want to commit themselves to improve the life of their villages and to build a better world.

Mission Statement

MIJARC Europe is a non-governmental organisation for rural youth, by rural youth. We promote sustainable agricultural, rural and international development, European citizenship, youth policies, gender equality, environmental protection, inter-culturality and human rights. Considering the Christian values, we strive to implement and raise awareness about these issues and goals by facilitating inter-cultural exchanges, summer camps, seminars and non-formal learning opportunities in a sustainable and culturally sensitive manner. Employing our methodology of 'see-judge-act', we encourage the participation of young people to build the Europe of tomorrow.

About MIJARC Europe

Executive board of MIJARC Europe (European Team)

Until July 2015, the European Team was composed by: Jan Vanwijnsberghe (he resigned in July 2015), Veronika Nordhus, Thibault Duisit and Jeroen Decorte.



Jan Vanwijnsberghe
Belgium



Veronika Nordhus
Germany



Thibault Duisit
France



Jeroen Decorte
Belgium

After the General Assembly in July, where Jan Vanwijnsberghe presented his resignation, two new candidates were voted as Executive Board Members: Anastasia Carjan and Alexandru Hanni Alshehari, from Romania.

About MIJARC Europe

Since July 2015, the European Team is composed from: Jeroen Decorte, Veronika Nordhus, Thibault Duisit, Alexandru Hanni Alshehari and Anastasia Carjan.



About MIJARC Europe

MIJARC Europe Secretariat

The Secretariat of MIJARC Europe in 2015 was composed by:



Brenda Aerts, the European Secretary working in the office in Brussels until May 2015.

Alexandra Solomon, the European Secretary, working in the office in Brussels from July 2015.



Florina Potirniche, the Assistant Secretary, working from Romania since March 2015.

MIJARC Europe- Activities

MIJARC Europe Seminar



Let Us In ! Keeping the Faith in You(th)!

When ? 27th July- 1st August 2015

Where ? Overijse, Belgium

Who ? 27 participants from MIJARC Europe members: MRJC- France, JARC- Portugal, KLJB- Germany, KLJ- Belgium, APSD -Agenda 21- Romania, BUJRUM- Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, GUG- Malta, YMDRAB-Bulgaria.



Why ? As rural youth and the problems they struggle with represent the main focus of MIJARC Europe, we identified youth unemployment in the rural areas as an urgent matter that needed to be analysed and addressed. During this seminar two topics have been addressed: youth unemployment and Christian values, with the aim of exploring multiple points of view and find possible innovative solutions to overcome the issue in discussion.

MIJARC Europe- Activities

We have been assisting to a collapsing economical system in Europe which concerns all European citizens, who struggle to enter the labour market and are faced with many obstacles and instability, delaying their independence and autonomy and creating frustration and loss of self-confidence.

From the side of the governments we have been assisting to a deep commitment from the side of the EU institutions to put young people at the core of their concerns (e.g. the Youth Strategy, a renewed framework for European cooperation in the youth field; several EU 2020 flagship initiatives targeting young people; the Youth Guarantee initiative) and putting pressure on national governments to implement several measures to tackle the issue of youth unemployment.

From the side of the Church and Christian communities we see them as strong social and political actors. Sharing the same values with a community brings a very important support system that is inclusive and gives hope to those who are excluded from the economic system or the society in general. Thus, Christian communities (including our movements) have an important responsibility in areas facing higher rates of unemployment and social exclusion, like rural areas.

How? The Seminar, which lasted 4 days brought together youth from different rural areas from Europe. The methodology used during the activity SEE-JUDGE-ACT, was designed to help the participants identify creative means to act in their community and become multipliers of the outcomes, sharing the results in their local communities. The process that led to the final result-ACT- was facilitated by group discussions, meetings with experts, field trips, group work and street actions.

MIJARC Europe- Activities

MIJARC Europe Training Course



Let me lead you(th) to success!

When ? 26th -30th October 2015

Where ? Gozo, Malta

Who ? 21 participants from MIJARC Europe members: MRJC- France, JARC- Portugal, KLJB- Germany, KLJ- Belgium, APSD -Agenda 21- Romania, BUJRUM- Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, GUG- Malta, YMDRAB-Bulgaria, Land Jugend-Austria, System & Generation- Turkey, FYCA- Armenia.



Why? The Training Course- part of the Work Plan for 2015- represented a follow up of the Seminar. With this Training course we aimed at: developing the methods/tools created during the Seminar and to train the participants on how to implement them among young people from rural areas. Developing the guidelines created during the Seminar on how, we as Christian rural youth organisations, can ACT for the welfare of rural young people in Europe. Building a paper presenting the European best practices for young people entering to professional life to share it with our movements, church and governments. Providing the concrete methods/tools about cooperation, support and programs to young people, so that they could use the support (of church/ other

MIJARC Europe- Activities

Institutions/communities). Sharing the best practices from European countries and learning the way of implementing them in participants' countries.

How? Several Tools were engaged during the Training Course with the aim of achieving the above mentioned objectives and support the participants in their role as multipliers in their local communities. Exchange of good practices, games development and creating workshops/training courses were among the activities to which the participants dedicated their attention and efforts.

This activity was preceded by the Series of Trainings organized by the participants at the local level.

MIJARC Europe- Activities

MIJARC Europe Series of Local Trainings

Let me lead you(th)
to success



Let me lead you(th) to success!

When? 10th November - 20th December 2015

Where? All across Europe, precisely, in the countries where the Member Movements of MIJARC Europe involved in the project, have their headquarters.

Who? The participants at the Training Course organized by MIJARC Europe in Malta.



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Why ? This series of meetings with young people from rural areas struggling with entering to the professional life represented the last step of the work plan. The results of the previous activities were implemented on local/regional/national level in our partners' countries.

The series of meetings allowed us to spread the knowledge and skills among the rural youth in a direct way. We believed that these meetings have been the best way to reach out to young people and point them in the possible direction of development.

How? The participants organised Local Training Courses with young people from rural areas struggling the problems with transition to their professional life on local, regional or national level. They have employed the skills gained on the international training (communication and presentation techniques) to transmit the knowledge about ways of help (the programmes) they can get from the government, local authorities and church. Their work was based on the toolkits/tools/guidelines created during the seminar and improved during the international training.

During those meetings the paper/guideline created at the international training with the best European practices has been presented. The document was translated in the different languages in order to facilitate to reach the possible largest number of young people. We wanted to be sure that the lack of English Language will not be an obstacle for rural youth to attend these meetings.

MIJARC Europe- Activities

Joint Study Session MIJARC Europe and Rural Youth Europe

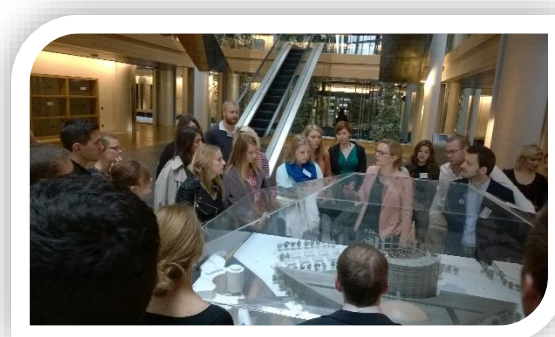


Unveiling rural realities – Unlocking youth potential!

When? 4th-11th of October 2015

Where? European Youth Center Strasbourg, France

Who? 36 participants from 15 countries- representing both members of MIJARC Europe and Rural Youth Europe.



Why? Rural youth has different competences, ideologies and daily routines compared to the majority of Europeans. Rural Youth Europe and MIJARC Europe take this into consideration when planning educational events and it certainly reflects on rural young people's professional life. In a time of change it is relevant for us as rural NGO's to re-evaluate rural young people's shared identity, as knowing our target group is relevant when cooperating with other stakeholders and communicating in media. It was important for RYEurope and MIJARC Europe, as two rural organizations, to work on this together as our young people meet the same challenges.

How? The topic of unemployment was addressed by engaging the means of un-formal education methods. The participants were introduced to the topic thru active presentations, debates, games, inviting guests from the Council of Europe and Eco-Village. Furthermore, in order to support the development of additional skills and abilities, the Study Session gave the participants the opportunity to have a discussion with a Member of the European Parliament during their visit the European Parliament in Strasbourg. The used methods had the

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aim of facilitating the participants individual development thru the last stage , represented by the creation of tools(games, animated video and workshops) able to be used on a border level by other organizations and individuals.

MIJARC Europe - statutory activities

European Coordination Meeting



European Coordination is an observing body composed by one delegate (European Coordinator) per full member movement and the European Team (Executive Board of MIJARC Europe). According to registered articles the European Coordination must meet once a year.

In 2015 the meeting took part in Dilbeek (Belgium) from 27th till 29th March. The agenda included:

- ✚ Follow up of the Action Plan;
- ✚ Future of MIJARC Europe;
- ✚ Presenting the financial situation of MIJARC Europe;
- ✚ Presenting the timeline of MIJARC Europe events in 2014 and discussing the preparation of them;
- ✚ Gathering the information on the situation of the member organisations;
- ✚ Preparing the agenda of the General Assembly in July;
- ✚ MIJARC Europe Office;
- ✚ Migration Position Paper;
- ✚ Task sharing among the coordinators and European Team members.

MIJARC Europe - statutory activities

Extended General Assembly

The General Assembly is the supreme decision-making body of MIJARC Europe. It meets every year under the chairmanship of the European Team (Executive Board). In 2015 it was organized in Overijse, Belgium from 25th to 26th July.

The delegates approved the Moral Report 2014-2015, Financial Report 2014. They discussed and approved the Budget 2016 and Action Plan 2016. They discussed the MIJARC Europe enlargement strategy and took many important decisions on this topic.

The delegates approved the Position Paper on Migration.

During the GA there were elected two new European Team members, five European Coordinators and a World Commission.

Agenda 21 became full member and JARC Cataluña was excluded.



Extraordinary General Assembly

The extraordinary General Assembly took place on 21st of September. The meeting was on-line. The delegates discussed the enlargement strategy and two new Observer Movements presented their candidature: Federal Youth Clubs in Armenia and System and Generation from Turkey.

European Team meetings

The European Team (Executive Board) of MIJARC Europe and the European Secretariat are meeting physically, during 1 or 2 days, every 2 months approximately. In between, online meetings take place to

MIJARC Europe - statutory activities

follow-up the work of the Team and staff. In 2015, the European Team has met 6 times physically and 7 times online. Additionally there was one European Team online due to the selection of the candidates for the position of European Secretary. During the physical meetings the agenda includes the main topics of:

- following-up of member and partner organisations relationships;
- reporting and evaluating last activities;
- preparing and follow-up next activities;
- tasks sharing;
- following-up the financial situation of MIJARC Europe;
- following-up the secretariat's work;
- preparing the European Coordination / General Assembly (before those meetings);
- implementing internal decisions;
- evaluate the motivation of the team and staff members.

After each physical meeting the secretariat sends the summary of the main resolutions taken by the team to every member movement.

Overview of Income and Expenses 2015

Donors

MIJARC Europe activities are financed by grants coming from several donors. In 2015, our projects have been funded by the European Commission Erasmus + programme, the Council of Europe's European Youth Foundation and Renovabis.

MIJARC Europe has received funding for its operational costs from the European Commission- Erasmus+ programme and the Council of Europe- European Youth Foundation.

We are thankful to our donors for the support they have gave to us in our work in the field of rural youth in 2015 and we look forwards collaborating on future projects.



MIJARC Europe - Communication Activities

Info Europe Magazine

Beginning with 2014, MIJARC Europe has published yearly its magazine entitled “Info-Europe” in two editions. With the support of the European Youth Foundation by the means of the Structural Grant, MIJARC Europe publishes the magazine both in an online and offline format, available in three languages: English, Spanish and French. Through “Info-Europe” magazine, MIJARC Europe can reach a larger audience—member movements, partners and donors, spreading not only the information about our activities, but also important news regarding the rural youth at the European Level. In two 2015, both editions have focused on youth unemployment.

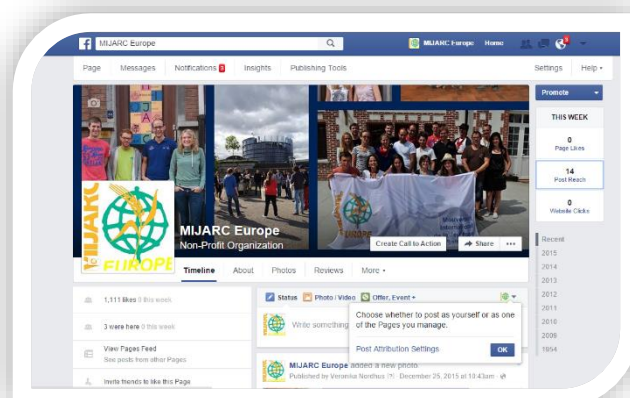


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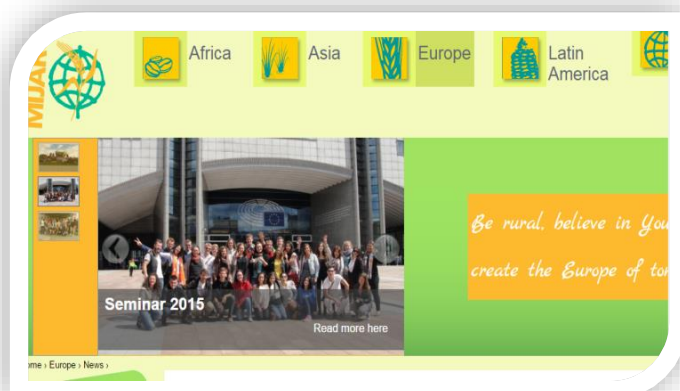
MIJARC Europe engages this social network as a tool to keep updated in real time on the activities and news the members, participants at our activities former participants.



Website

On the website there are information about MIJARC Europe – about the organisation and our work. A section containing with our publications and position papers can also be found.

Regularly we publish information about past and future events, articles from our member movements, information from our partners, news from Europe related to the topics concerning MIJARC Europe.



E-newsletter

We use the newsletter to contact our member movements and inform them about previous and upcoming activities. In the Newsletter they can find news from MIJARC Europe, MIJARC World and from the member movements. The Newsletter is sent every two months to European Coordinators and general contacts in English Language.

Members' activities

YMDRAB – Bulgaria



“Stronger together: youth collaboration for interreligious solidarity”

13 young people from Municipality of Botevgrad and 13 young people from Municipality of Ardino participated together in the project **“Stronger together: youth collaboration for interreligious solidarity”**. The project was implemented by MIJARC's member movement, YMDRAB Bulgaria. The main project activity took place between 3rd and 10th July in Kranevo village and aimed at gathering an equal number of Christian and Muslim youth in a neutral place to motivate and prepare them to work for the prevention and peaceful transformation of interreligious conflicts in the Bulgarian rural areas.



Using various non-formal education techniques such as role plays, simulations, working groups, open discussions, presentation, the participants exchanged opinions and experience about the problems in their local communities and existing prejudices and stereotypes towards other religions. The youngsters had the possibility to share about their religious beliefs and customs. The group visited an orthodox church, a mosque, a synagogue and Armenian Church which was very enriching for everyone. The work of institutions was also discussed focusing on the local, national and international level. The most debated topic was the flow of refugees in Bulgaria and the work of the National Agency for Refugees. Information about Council of Europe and the work of the Youth Department in the field of interreligious dialogue was also presented outlining the No Hate Speech Campaign.

As a result of the project, the participants created a common Declaration, which outlines their opinion in regard to the interreligious tolerance in Bulgaria. In this declaration they identified the most important in their opinion existing problems and proposed actions for overcoming the situation.

Members' activities

“The magic to communicate”

YMDRAB together with the Logopedic Associations of Lithuania, Latvia, Estonia and Romania implemented a big international project named “The magic to communicate”. The main project activity was a training course for people who work with autistic youngsters in rural areas of Eastern Europe.

The training course took place from 31.07.2015 to 09.08.2015 in Black Sea coast village of Kranevo, Bulgaria. The training brought together 50 youth workers and experts from Lithuania, Latvia, Estonia, Romania and Bulgaria. Participants were speech therapists, youth advisors, social workers, psychologists, project managers and volunteers who are engaged in activities supporting the socio-educational and personal development of rural young people with autism in their countries.



Agenda 21

In 2015 APSD – Agenda 21 continued to work on several projects aiming at the promotion of global learning among young people, NGOs experts, civil society, teachers or students. The project “**Parlez Vous Global**” has been promoting for 3 years (until December 2015) topics related to migration and intercultural understanding among students and teachers by creating interactive lessons in high schools. The project “**Facilitating Global Learning**” has continued in 2015, gathering trained experts of NGOs in several meetings in order to share their experiences as multipliers of global learning in their local communities, experiences that will be included in “Global How?” – a new manual created in order to help trainers of Development Education, Global Citizenship Education and other related fields to develop state-of-the-art educational events for training multipliers and facilitators. Also, our organization started to implement the project “**Empowering Young People for a Green Future**” funded by MIJARC World through the programme Solidarity Fund. It aims



Members' activities

at empowering young people with the necessary information and tools in order to educate them, as tomorrow's adults, in the spirit of sustainable growth and to mobilize them for sustainable food production and consumption. Thus, in 2015 a toolkit on sustainable agriculture for teachers was developed in order to be used in the spring of 2016 in three local trainings on the aforementioned topic including 45 students who will have the chance to create small school gardens in their communities. Moreover, following the training course from Malta on Youth Unemployment organized by MIJARC Europe, APSD – Agenda 21 organized a local workshop with 15 young people from Ilfov County on Volunteering Activities – as a measure to become active and improve their skills in order to be able to integrate on the labour market

System and Generation



DISABLED FREE FESTIVAL – Large scale EVS

In the last weekend of October lots of people participated in this unforgettable event. The highlight of this Large Scale EVS project was the Festival called Disabled FREE Fest and it was organized by 33 S&G volunteers from 11 different countries in Didyma, Turkey. The Festival was opened for everyone, not only for people with special needs so everyone was warmly welcomed! With this project S&G wanted to show that people with special needs can be a part of the organization team and their contribution is very valuable.

The project was organized on 23rd – 25th October 2015 in a local camping area called Orman Kampı.

The following activities took place: Scuba diving, Bocce, MÖLKKY, Football, Kite show, Handicraft workshops.

Members' activities

KLJB

BirD-Project (Bridge of InterReligious Dialogue)

A 3 years lasting project which focused the dialogue between religions, especially between Christianity and Islam ended in 2015.



Climate Summit in Paris

An excursion to Paris to join the Climate Summit and to meet the French partner, MRJC, was organized at the end of 2015.

International Green Week

As every year KLJB participated with a stand at the International Green Week (IGW) in Berlin. Under the slogan "We stand on ground" KLJB wanted to raise awareness of a healthy land and informed about an enduring cultivation of land. Another highlight was the so-called „Future Forum Rural Development“. In its focus was the time between formation and entering a job in rural areas.

KLJB & KLJ

Meeting KLJB and KLJ in Belgium on the 19th of September

Youth from our two members have met in September in Brugge, They have exchanged opinions on topics such as: sustainability and fair trade, Catholic and Christian local groups, sharing of best practices and international exchanges.



M.J.R.C.

Several activities have been organized by our member MRJC in 2015, among which we mention:

Celebration of the 1° of May . Rural World Day

Celebration of the 8 of Mach. International Women's Day

Celebration of the 15 of October. International Day of Rural Women

Working Meetings with other Movements of ACE

General Campaign: "We are an alternative lifestyle"



Other activities/meetings

General Assembly KLJB Germany/

Bundesversammlung der KLJB Deutschlands

When? 25.02.2015 – 01.03. 2015

Where? Herzogenrath, Germany

Who? MIJARC Europe was represented by Veronika Nordhus (President).



Organized by KLJB

During the General Assembly organized by KLJB, a new member of the National Board has been elected. Furthermore, important discussions on topics such as Asylum, Fair Trade and the Handover of Farms to the next generation were held and Position Papers have been voted.

Veronika presented MIJARC Europe, our activities and areas of action, session followed by a question and answers on MIJARC Europe.

Peasants farmer leaders - Youth Assembly and General Assembly

When? 27.02.2015 – 04.03. 2015

Where? Brussels, Belgium

Who? MIJARC Europe was represented by Thibault Duisit and Francois Bausson.

Organized by ECVC- European Coordination La Via Campesina.



One of the most important outcome of the two Assemblies was the of the Youth Group of ECVC . Additionally, during the meeting different events against TTIP (Transatlantic Trade and Investment Partnership) were planned and more precisely we were invited to organize symbolic actions locally and to join the public demonstration in Brussels on the 17th and 18th of April.

Other activities/meetings

Faith-based organisation Cooperation

When? 16.04.2015-18.04. 2015

Where? Brussels, Belgium

Who? MIJARC Europe was represented by Veronika Nordhus.

Organized by: WOSM WAGGS, EUJS, RCY, FIMCAP, Don Bosco Youth, JECI-MIEC

The aim of this meeting was the cooperation at the YFJ, specifically working on a new name for the Cooperation. For and during the Cooperation at the COMEM of YFJ the following topics have been discussed: COMEM policy contents, Position papers, Finances, Application new members, AC-Election, Name-change process of the faith-based organizations-group, Communications in the faith-based Cooperation.



World Coordination

When? 28th - 30th of July 2015

Where? Munich, Germany

Who? MIJARC Europe was represented by the World Coordinator Ana Silva and Klaus Settele.

Organized by MIJARC World.

During the World Coordination important decisions have been made regarding the presidency of MIJARC World, the division of the Solidarity Fund, volunteers and future activities and statutory meetings.



Other activities/meetings

Information sessions for international youth NGOs

When? 8th of September 2015

Where? Brussels, Belgium

Who? MIJARC Europe was represented by Alexandra Solomon.



Organized by the European Youth Foundation

The purpose of the meeting was to offer more information on the application for the Grants calls for Work Plans and Structural Grants with the Deadline in October 2015. A presentation on the available grants and funds was offered to the participants, followed by a questions and answers session.

Infoday on Funding

When? 5th – 6th of November 2015

Where? Brussels, Belgium

Who? MIJARC Europe was represented by Alexandra Solomon.

Organised by European Youth Forum



The main aim of the meeting was to present to the member organizations the new call for Operating Grant 2016 that was launched late October by EACEA, as well as the new EU 2014-2020 Programmes available for youth organisations.

During the first day, the representatives of the EACEA, Mr. Luciano di Fonzo, Ms. Gabriela Scibiorska and Ms. Andrea Szakonyi, presented the funding opportunities and guidelines for it. Following them, the director of JINT Mr. Koen Lamnbert, described the role of the National Agencies in the implementation of Erasmus+.

Other activities/meetings

European Youth Forum (YFJ) Council of Members Extraordinary General Assembly

When? 27th – 28th of November 2015

Where? Madrid, Spain

Who? MIJARC Europe was represented by Veronika Nordhus.

Organised by European Youth Forum.



The COMEM takes place twice per year and aims at assessing the progress the organisation has made in the action plan and in fulfilling the priorities set by the member organisations (MOs). Furthermore, it maps the future steps and the general direction of work of the platform. Important points on the agenda were: Policy paper discussions, Discussions on the new work plan of YFJ for 2015-2016, Progress report, Finances.

Policy papers: Policy Papers on 1. A Roadmap for the next Structured Dialogue cycle: Enabling All Young People to Engage 21 in a Diverse, connected and inclusive Europe 2. Climate matters: The vision of European Youth for COP21. 3. Better access to EU funding for youth organisations 4. Students on risk 5. Transatlantic Trade and Investment Partnership (TTIP) 6. Protection and Integration of Young Refugees in Europe. An urgent Resolution from **MIJARC Europe** and **FIMCAP** following the attacks in Paris was adopted during the COMEM. MIJARC Europe discussed internally with the other valued-based organisations the content of these papers and brought input into the discussions.

Other activities/meetings

Renovabis Partnerschaftstreffen



When? 4th – 5th of December 2015

Where? Freising, Germany

Who? MIJARC Europe was represented by Florina Portirniche.

Organized by Renovabis

Topic: Forum for mutual exchange of experiences on the situation of youth in the Eastern part of Europe

The agenda of the Partnerschaftstreffen included many presentations on the partnerships that Renovabis develops with catholic associations in Eastern Europe and presentations of international volunteering experiences. The focus of the presentations was on the situation of young people in Eastern Europe, focusing on the difficulties they face, the lack of jobs and their migration to Western countries. The first day continued with a "European - Cafe" (world cafe method) in which the participants (young, adults and old people) reflected together on the following questions: From your experience in Eastern countries what is the situation of young people? What are the needs and wants of young people in Europe? Why do they leave their countries? What could be done to improve the situation in their countries?

The day ended with a spiritual impulse and a shared moment of meditation in a catholic chapel.

The second day of the event started with a mass and it continued with workshops. The participants were split in six different workshops: The situation of Bosnia and Herzegovina after the Dayton agreement, Volunteering and its role, Youth unemployment - causes and consequences, Migration and the situation in Europe, Intercultural competences, Church partnerships and their relevance for youth.

Other activities/meetings

COP21

When? 8th – 12th of December 2015

Where? Paris, France

Who? MIJARC Europe was represented by Rupert Heindl.

Organized by La Via Campesina ECVV



During the four days the delegation participated in various activities and actions. Two of them took place in the Green Zone at the COP21 and some more in the Climate Action Zone. We also participated in some action and demonstration in Paris itself. MIJARC Europe will actively engage its efforts in the area of preventing/finding solution for climate change thru its activities in 2016.

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