



Editorial



The Launch of the ALF Virtual Marathon for Dialogue

In uncertain times like we are experiencing today, dialogue is deemed more important and indispensable as ever. Dialogue presents itself as a crucial tool to rally nations to manifest unity and solidarity in the face of adversity that affects the whole world. The role of international organizations and civil society needs to be greatly reinforced and strengthened in an attempt to consolidate the voice of people towards understanding, co-operation and integration. In this regard, the Anna Lindh Foundation spares no effort in calling upon its networks and stakeholders to join forces to demonstrate the power of dialogue and its impact on shaping the political and cultural rhetoric in today's world.

On September 30th 2020, the Anna Lindh Foundation launched the Virtual Marathon for Dialogue as the main Anna Lindh Foundation contribution to the 25th Anniversary of the Barcelona Process. With this initiative, we intend to give voice to our large network of civil society – Cultural operators – Opinion leaders – Educators – Think tanks and Universities – Partners - Youth – Men and Women to showcase a variety of cultural cooperation and solidarity initiatives in the EuroMed region as well as data and reflections on intercultural trends and areas to be strengthened in order to promote intercultural dialogue for the future of social and cultural EuroMed cooperation. Taking into consideration the symbolic and strategic importance of 2020 as the year of the 25th Celebration of the Barcelona Process, and the large mobilization made by the ALF community in preparation of MEDForum 2020-which was planned for last April and which we had to cancel due to the outburst of COVID19- we plan to

launch a series of celebration and mobilization activities of civil society, institutional representatives, young people, media and academia framed by what we are calling the Anna Lindh Virtual Marathon for Dialogue. We speak of a Marathon as a group endeavor that lasts over a certain period of time and where a common goal is set, but where each organization and individual can contribute at its own pace.

The Anna Lindh Foundation Virtual Marathon for Dialogue aims to be an inclusive initiative for the promotion of dialogue across the Euro-Mediterranean region with activities that can take different formats. In this moment of crisis brought about by the pandemic, our duty is to underline the importance of having society respectful of cultural diversity, as an asset for the growth and wellbeing, and that we need to continue fighting against any form of cultural prejudice and stereotyping, hatred and hate speech, islamophobia, racism, antisemitism and any other form of discrimination based on cultural or religious backgrounds of people. □

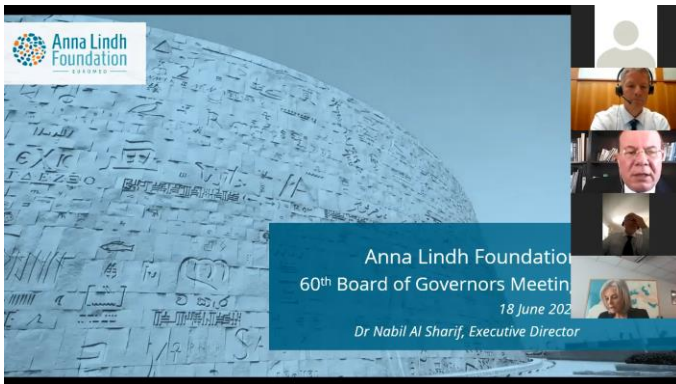
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HEADQUARTERS IN ALEXANDRIA

ANNA LINDH FOUNDATION 60th BOARD OF GOVERNORS VIRTUAL MEETING – 18 June 2020



ALF Virtual BoG Meeting – 18 June 2020

The Anna Lindh Foundation organized on the 18th of June its first virtual Board of Governors meeting during the current global health crisis of COVID-19 with its impact on humanity at the economic and social levels, imposing new measures and social changes and regulations with physical distances, mobility limitations, and closing border.

The meeting was attended by ALF Board Members Representatives of the member countries of the Euro-Mediterranean Partnership, the European Commission, the European External Action Service, the President and Executive Director of the Anna Lindh Foundation, and staff members.



ALF Virtual BoG Meeting with BoG Representatives and ALF Staff

The Board of Governors discussed the current situation in the Region and its effect on the Foundation's work and the way forward, with an update on developments since last meeting which took place in Alexandria in November 2019, underlining on ALF continued activities of debates and exchanges between young people through Webinars as part of the Erasmus Plus Virtual Exchange project, and continued virtual meetings with its networks of 42 civil society organizations, with particular

stress on the communication and information flow with the network.

The meeting also highlighted on ALF Celebration of the 25th Anniversary of the Barcelona Process and the engagement of identified Med Forum 2020 participants and partners in a regional activity in Barcelona, end of September, in conjunction with "A Sea of Words" literary contest award ceremony, and a virtual Marathon for Dialogue in the Euro-Mediterranean Region for debate and enhancing collaboration.

The Board and the ALF Secretariat also tackled topics for decisions to be taken related to the Foundation's future Governance, Human Resources and the organizational structure planned to be enhanced through a consultancy process which will provide opinion and guidance on its HR policy and potential recruitments to reinforce its structure, and also debated on the registration of an ALF office in Brussels. □

ANNA LINDH FOUNDATION 61st BOARD OF GOVERNORS VIRTUAL MEETING – 22 July 2020

Following the first virtual Board of Governors meeting held on the 18th of June the Anna Lindh Foundation organized its second virtual meeting on Wednesday 22 July 2020.



ALF Virtual BoG Meeting – 22 July 2020

The meeting attended by official Representatives of Ministries of Foreign Affairs of Euro-Mediterranean Partnership countries, the European Commission, the European External Action Service, the President and Executive Director of the Anna Lindh Foundation, and staff members, was the follow up of its previous meeting in June.

The Board of Governors continued their discussion after an exhaustive presentation by the Executive Director on the recent activities implemented so far from virtual seminars, partnership meetings, exchange sessions, highlighting as well on the ongoing projects and flagship programmes and coming and future events planned to take place till the end of the year 2021 depending on the health situation affected by COVID-19.

In this relation, the Executive Director shared with Board members information on the implementation of 285 activities since the outburst of the pandemic in March 2020. Activities implemented, in the framework of the different contracts signed by the ALF and in coordination with the ALF partners and beneficiaries, include virtual debates, presentations, trainings, webinars, ALF Network activities, partnership meetings, communication and visibility supports and tools, consultation processes and Calls for project proposals.

This significant action has been possible thanks to the full commitment of all the ALF staff members, the definition of a good system to work from remote and regular management and staff coordination meetings.

The Board also discussed important pressing issues in view of the current challenges which lead to the decision of establishing a working group consisted of a number of board members from the North and South of the Mediterranean with the aim to support the Foundation in its future orientation with its human resources, an office registration in Brussels, and its Governance, with proposals for discussion during the next meeting. □

RIDE APS EVENT – VOLTERRA - 1ST August 2020



Ms. Cristiana Gaita – Deputy Executive Director – Volterra Seminar

On Saturday 1st August 2020, at 18:00, in the frame of the International Festival of Teatro Romano, a seminar took place at Teatro “Persio Flacco” in Volterra. The seminar has been organised by Rete Italiana per il Dialogo Euromediterraneo (RIDE-APS) and the International Festival itself in the context of the initiative Teatri antichi per il nostro futuro Mediterraneo (Scaena Mediterranea), which has been selected during the Two Shores Initiative 5+5 in June 2019.

Mr. Simone Migliorini (Founder of the International Festival of Teatro Romano Volterra), Mr. Saverio Mecca (Director of the Architecture dept – Florence University), Ms. Paola Sarcina (President M.Th.I., Director of Cerealia Festival and member of the ALF Advisory Council) participated from Volterra; while, by remote, online or through a video, the following:

Mr. Enrico Molinaro (President, Prospettive Mediterranee and General Secretary, RIDE-APS, Italian HON); Mr. Giuseppe Provenzano (Expert in Research, innovation, employability and higher education at the Union for the Mediterranean); Ms. Cristiana Gaita (Deputy Executive Director, Anna Lindh Foundation), Mr. Edoardo Siravo (President, Tindari Festival-Teatro dei Due Mari), Ms. Marina Valensise (Advisor, MIBACT per Inda); Mr. Giuseppe Giliberti (President, RIDE-APS); Mr. Wladek Fuchs (Professor at the Architecture dept – Detroit Mercy University, President of Volterra Detroit Foundation) and Mr. Piero Fiumi (his father Enrico Fiumi discovered the Volterra Roman Theatre).

This seminar aimed at activating an Euro-Med network of ancient Greek-roman theaters to support entrepreneurial projects through initiatives built up on awareness of material and immaterial value of archeological sites; to share with local communities training- or research-based initiatives; to network the architecture of theatres and amphitheatres, the history and immaterial culture, by adopting a multi- and cross-disciplinary methodology; to develop initiatives benefitting territories through tourism and benefitting local communities in socio-economic terms.

The event gave also the opportunity to discuss weaknesses and opportunities – at cultural, touristic, social and economic levels– potentially resulting from the establishment, in the Euro-Med Region, of a national and international network connecting Greek and Roman theaters which are already actively promoting festival and cultural initiatives, but are also the ones asking for further actions in terms of cultural heritage valuing. □

PONZA PRIMA-MED: INTER-STITUTIONAL CONFERENCE ON SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT – 14 September 2020

In view of the Euro-Med Summit, scheduled on November 26, 2020, to celebrate the 25th Anniversary of the Barcelona Declaration, Prospettive Mediterranee, in cooperation with the Italian Network for the Euro-Mediterranean Dialogue RIDE-APS (Anna Lindh Foundation’s HoN in Italy), PRIMA Foundation, Union for the Mediterranean-UfM, Ponza Municipality, Arcipelago Pontino Community, presented – on the occasion of the interinstitutional annual Ponza Prima-Med Conference, held in the Ponza Island, on Monday 14 September 2020 -, a proposal for the renovation of the Turtledoves Villa (Villa delle Tortore) in Ponza to convert it into a Laboratory for Research and Higher Education (LARHES) on Sustainability open to Mediterranean talented women and new generations (ponzaprimamed.com).

In this context, the conference's moderator, Dr Enrico Molinaro - President of Prospettive Mediterranee and Co-founder of the Italian Network for the Euro-Mediterranean Dialogue RIDE-APS (Anna Lindh Foundation's HoN in Italy) – launched the Euro-Med Manifesto for sustainable development about climate change, circular economy, and food security.



Dr Nabil Al Sharif joining by video PONZA PRIMA-MED

The four international organizations' leaders participating - Amb. Miguel Angel Moratinos (UNAOC High Representative), Amb. Nasser Kamel (UfM Secretary General), Dr. Nabil Al-Sharif (ALF Executive Director), and Prof. Angelo Riccaboni (PRIMA Foundation's President) – jointly confirmed, together for the first time (following the preliminary Seminar held at the Italian Foreign Ministry-MAECI on December 6, 2019), the Barcelona Declaration's values and the close connection between culture, economy and security which are fundamental for a peaceful and sustainable future in the Mediterranean region. They also called for an active support to develop the Ponza's Research Center and to promote research and innovation for contributing to more inclusive and resilient Euro-Mediterranean societies, by proposing good practices for a model of Euro-Mediterranean, socio-economic development based on intercultural dialogue and strong partnerships. □

EU LIAISON AND PARTNERSHIPS

VIRTUAL DISCUSSION WITH EU HIGH-LEVEL REPRESENTATIVES - 16 June 2020



Virtual discussion with EU High-Level Representatives – 16 June

On 16 June, 2020, the Anna Lindh Foundation's Young Mediterranean Voices and European Parliament's Young Political Leaders participated in a virtual discussion with EU High-Level Representatives, including High Representative/Vice-President, Josep Borrell, the European Parliament's Vice-President, Fabio Massimo Castaldo, Pietro Ducci, European Parliament's Director General for External Policies, Madame Elisabeth Guigou, President of the Anna Lindh Foundation as well as Dr. Nabil Al Sharif, Executive Director of the Anna Lindh Foundation.

The discussion was the second in a series of virtual debates, aiming to factor in multi-dimensional youth perspectives in the process of cross-cultural decision-making. Young leaders expressed their opinions on the COVID-19 impact on youth policies and institutions. Restrictive measures on freedom of movement as well as the fight of disinformation and the need to enforce digital infrastructures, were highlighted as potential threats in the aftermath of the Crisis.

During the discussion, the young leaders highlighted the importance of breaking the isolation and engaging with others leaders, and shared best practices and own experience on how to bridge the gap between youth and regional and international institutions

The young leaders offered policy recommendations. □

VIRTUAL DISCUSSION WITH EU HIGH-LEVEL REPRESENTATIVES - 7 July 2020



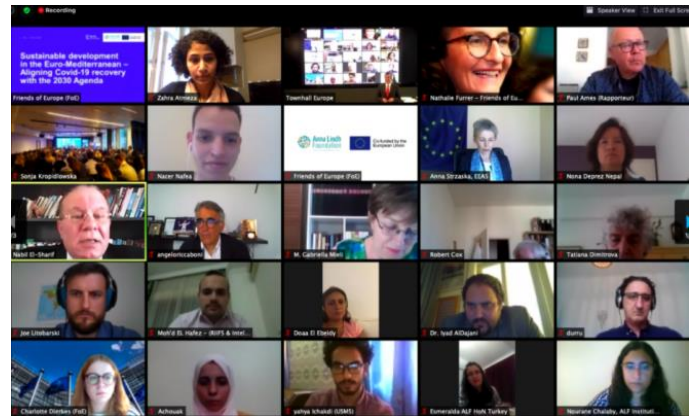
Virtual discussion with EU High-Level Representatives 7 July

On 7 July 2020, delegates from the Anna Lindh Foundation’s flagship programme ‘Young Mediterranean Voices’ and from the European Parliament’s ‘Young Political Leaders programme’, participated in a virtual discussion with EU High-level Representatives, including Christian Danielsson, the European Commission’s Director-General for European Neighbourhood Policy and Enlargement Negotiations, and Mr. Ilhan Kyuchyuk, a Member of the European Parliament.

During the online dialogue, participants from the Euro-Mediterranean region and the Western Balkans countries shared experiences on youth perspectives on building trust in the media and through intercultural dialogue. As communities are facing challenges such as hate speech, radicalisation and conflicts, a focus on the hosting of inclusive dialogue is needed. The subsequent production of policy recommendations as part of this event, explores reforms based on critical and creative thinking, narratives challenging misperception, and youth enabling environments.

The guiding questions revolved around: Media Awareness and Youth, Role of media in facilitating intercultural dialogue and reconciliation and Role of institutions in bridging the gap between media and youth. □

HIGH-LEVEL POLICY INSIGHT EVENTS CO-ORGANISED BY THE ANNA LINDH FOUNDATION AND FRIENDS OF EUROPE 2 July 2020



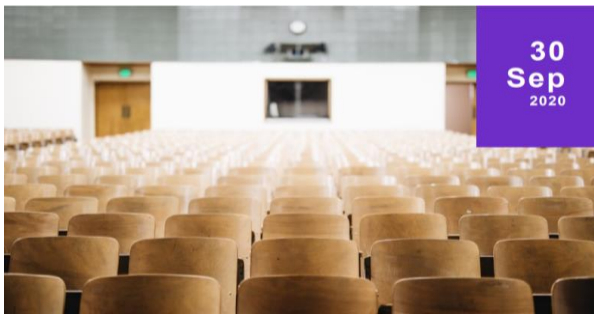
High level policy insight on Sustainable Development

On July 2nd, the Anna Lindh Foundation in collaboration with Friends of Europe organised a high-level policy insight on Sustainable Development in the Euro-Mediterranean region. The Euro-Mediterranean area needs enhanced partnerships; a redoubled commitment to multilateral solutions; and increased empowerment of young people through education and technology, to ensure that the region’s emergence from the coronavirus pandemic advances wider sustainable development goals. Those were amongst the key ideas to arise from Friends of Europe’s and the Anna Lindh Foundation’s online debate on aligning regional recovery from Covid-19 with fulfillment of the United Nation’s 2030 Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs).

“The fear is that development, cooperation, partnerships will be put on the back burner as a result of Covid-19 (...) this would be a devastating option. It could be even more devastating than the disease itself,” warned Dr. Nabil Al-Sharif, Executive Director of the Anna Lindh Foundation for Dialogue between Cultures. “This disease which has crossed borders and does not recognize [them] can only be met by more partnerships, by more working together,” he insisted. □

HIGH-LEVEL POLICY INSIGHT ON 'EMPTY CLASSROOM: THE IMPACT OF COVID 19 ON EDUCATION.' –

30 September 2020



Speakers: ALF President, Elisabeth Guigou and Driss Ouauouicha, Deputy Minister for Higher education and Scientific Research

On September 30th, the Anna Lindh Foundation co-organised with Friends of Europe a high-level policy insight on 'Empty Classroom: the impact of Covid-19 on Education.' Ensuring that all girls and boys are granted quality education is a prime ambition of the Sustainable Development Goals. The return is considerable: a more diverse and prosperous economy, access to better services, and increased equality are amongst the clear benefits from open access to free education. Over the last few decades, exchange programmes across Europe and its neighbouring countries have been developed to enable a greater spread and diversity of knowledge. In the Euro-Mediterranean region, exchange programmes such as Erasmus+ and virtual platforms including Erasmus+ Virtual Exchange have encouraged decision makers and academics to work together in sharing knowledge and best-practices, while equally enabling youth to discover new cultural realities and gain intercultural learning. However, COVID-19 having kept 90% of all students out of school, the important progress of recent years is at severe risk of being reversed. With many classrooms having remained empty for several months, authorities have scrambled to develop alternative education systems to connect teachers and students. The results vary greatly, with striking differences in completion rates between richer and poorer households, further exacerbating inequality. Key questions include:

- What role can digital tools offer to provide uninterrupted quality education for all and intercultural experiences to students?
- Which focus should be adopted by international partners?
- How can the lessons from this pandemic make our education systems more resilient and inclusive? □

INTERCULTURAL RESEARCH

ONLINE COURSE ON EURO-MEDITERRANEAN

INTERCULTURAL TRENDS – 12th May – 8th June 2020



From the 12th of May until the 8th of June, the Anna Lindh Foundation launched the second edition of the Online course on Intercultural Trends in the Euro-Mediterranean region, developed together with The Mediterranean Universities Union. The course includes educational videos, virtual discussion forums, quizzes and reading material divided into four modules, originating in the Anna Lindh Intercultural Trends report. The four thematic modules of the course are: Representation of the Mediterranean and mutual interests; Values and mutual perceptions; Interaction across cultures; and Living in diversity .

The course received registrations from over 600 learners from the region and beyond and during the course, participants were offered the possibility to attend an Online Meetup session to exchange on the themes of the course and network through a virtual facilitated discussion. □

LAUNCH OF THE INTERCULTURAL DIALOGUE RESOURCE CENTRE – June 2020

In June 2020 the Anna Lindh Foundation launched the Intercultural Dialogue Resource Centre as the product of a long-term EuroMed mapping of resources and as a space to be regularly updated with a participatory approach. The Centre is developed to be the reference point for resources on intercultural dialogue in the Euro-Mediterranean region to respond to the needs of journalists, civil society, researchers, students, policymakers and to the general public as a whole.

"In addition to supporting actors who are already working with intercultural relations, we want to inspire people who are interested in the area, but would like to learn more. That is why I would encourage students and academics looking for resources to visit the centre", states Eleonora Insalaco, Head of Operations and Intercultural Research at the Anna Lindh Foundation.



Intercultural Dialogue Resource Centre

Resources uploaded in the Centre include Publications, Learning Activities, Audiovisual, Events, Resource People and Good Practices and are divided according to the following themes: Education, Media, Culture, Cities, Youth and Media.

Over three months from its official launch the Centre contains information on more than 170 curated academic publications. It also offers visitors a selection of journalistic articles and 27 audio-visual materials, over 40 events, 22 learning activities developed for civil society and also educators in the formal education sector. The centre also contains contact information and biographies for 100 resource people and around 45 good practices presenting successful projects addressing a variety of challenges of our times.

Translation of was commissioned to ensure availability of learning activities, resource people and good practices into English, French and Arabic. □

INTERCULTURAL TRENDS AND MEDIA PLATFORM – JOURNALIST, ACADEMIA AND CIVIL SOCIETY DEBATING ON CROSS-CULTURAL REPORTING – 9 June 2020



On the 9th of June the Anna Lindh Foundation organised the first Virtual meeting of the Intercultural Trends and Media Platform called “Feeling connected during the crisis –

media narratives of the Euro-Mediterranean”. The aim of the meeting was to discuss how media production and mutual perceptions in the Euro-Mediterranean are changing as a result of COVID-19.

On the 8th of July journalists, academics and civil society initiatives gather for a second virtual Intercultural Trends and Media Platform called: “Beyond painting pictures and cultivating stereotypes: Media narratives and foreign reporting for dialogue in the Euro-Mediterranean-region”. The aim of the second meeting was also to reflect on how media production, cross-cultural reporting and mutual perceptions change as a result of the current crisis while also inviting reflection on what could be done, in order to bring nuance to foreign reporting and shed light on the intricacies of the Euro-Mediterranean region.

Among the reflections shared by participants in the meetings on the impact of Covid-19 on media narratives and cross-cultural reporting in the region, the experts and media practitioners highlighted that national TV-stations experienced a renaissance and a regained trust among the public; some concerns were raised about the rise of hate speech as a result of the global pandemic, fake news, the fact that migrants are less present in the news and digital inequalities; on the positive side, observations referred to the communal efforts promoting solidarity and cooperation among youth and women and an increased demand for good journalistic practices, lastly participants also called for increased media literacy, training for journalists, more nuanced coverage including stories on individual and community-led efforts.

The Anna Lindh Foundation together with the UNIMED – The Mediterranean Universities Union has also commissioned concept notes from the participants to the platforms – also focusing on cross-cultural reporting and media narratives in the Euro-Mediterranean. □

PREPARATION OF THE 4TH EDITION OF THE ANNA LINDH REPORT



The ALF contracted Ipsos-Mori in January 2020 to carry out the fourth wave of the Intercultural Trends Survey in 13 selected countries of the region, namely Algeria, Croatia, Cyprus, Czech Republic, Germany, Greece, Ireland, Jordan, Lebanon, Mauritania, Morocco, Romania, and Sweden. The Intercultural Trends Survey is at the core of the preparation of the fourth edition of the Intercultural Trends Report.

The fieldwork for the fourth Intercultural Trends Survey has been completed in 12 countries, and was resumed in Mauritania on August 28 following some delays which are mostly due to local weather conditions preventing interviewers from attending further training sessions. Further preparatory work is being undertaken by IPSOS for processing survey data and liaising with experts to lead the qualitative analysis and contextualization of data. The ALF continues to identify good practices developed by civil society in collaboration with the ALF Heads of Network to be included in the Report.

To ensure the capitalisation and dissemination efforts of the Intercultural Trends Research data, two presentations of the Anna Lindh Report were organised, the first on 23 June in the framework of the UNIMED Brussels Week and the second on 7 September in the framework of the Tunisian network meeting during the second preparatory conference of the high level conference to commemorate the 75th Anniversary of the United Nations. □

CALL FOR PROPOSALS FOR INTERCULTURAL RESEARCH PROJECTS – 30 June 2020



The 15th of September was the extended deadline to receive proposals to the Call for Intercultural Research Project to support EuroMed collaborations. The call was originally launched on the 30th of June, with the objective of promoting innovative thinking on the ways to promote and measure the impact of intercultural dialogue in the EuroMed region, taking stock of the

current regional contexts and drawing on the Intercultural Trends Survey results.

The Anna Lindh Foundation received 26 projects proposals and published on the ALF website the

List of received proposals, which is available at <https://www.annalindhfoundation.org/grants/irp>.

The ALF is currently carrying out the evaluation process. □

25TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE BARCELONA PROCESS: THE ANNA LINDH FOUNDATION COMMUNITY CELEBRATION – 30 September 2020

On 30 September, the ALF officially launched the Anna Lindh Foundation Virtual Marathon for Dialogue in the EuroMed region - ALF Contribution to the 25th Anniversary of the Barcelona Process.

The ALF, as the first institution created in the framework of the EuroMed Partnership/Barcelona Process, intends to contribute to the 25th Anniversary of the Barcelona Process by giving voice to its large network of civil society – Cultural operators – Opinion leaders – Educators – Think tanks and Universities – Partners - Youth – Men and Women to showcase a variety of cultural cooperation and solidarity initiatives in the EuroMed region, data and reflections on intercultural trends and areas to be strengthened for the promotion of intercultural dialogue for the future of social and cultural EuroMed cooperation.

At this historic moment for the EuroMed cooperation, the Anna Lindh Foundation Virtual Marathon for Dialogue includes:

- A regional launch event on 30 September 2020, in partnership with IEMED as the Head of the Anna Lindh Foundation Spanish National Network
- The organization of a series of activities planned within the different programmes of the Foundation between September and December 2020 that will be the occasion to initiate the debate on the state and the future of EuroMed cooperation
- The presentation of the ALF civil society contribution during the UFM regional Forum between 25 and 27 November in close coordination with the Secretariat of the Union for the Mediterranean
- The launch of a social media campaign running through 2021 to broadly spread the messaging of the initiative and engaging large audience and social media influences with a specific focus on youth
- A traditional media campaign and coverage of the Virtual Marathon for Dialogue activities at the EuroMed level
- A programme of virtual activities as mentioned earlier including regional conferences, workshops, exhibitions, trainings and debates in the first semester of 2021 to be organised in coordination with the ALF Heads of Network and network members as well as some of the ALF partners
- And final regional outcomes activity in Croatia in 2021 where we had planned to implement MEDForum 2020. □

INTERCULTURAL CITIZENSHIP EDUCATION ACTIVITIES USING THE ALF VIRTUAL EXCHANGE METHODOLOGY

The Anna Lindh Foundation has developed a guide for the promotion of Virtual Exchanges and intercultural citizenship education virtual activities drawing also on the lessons learnt with the virtual exchange and training activities carried out with the ALF community of educators. This guide will be distributed to stakeholders and tested on a small scale for further development targeting educators in the formal and non-formal sector. □

EDUCATION FOR GENDER EQUALITY AND FIGHTING OF STEREOTYPES

Follow-up for preparation of a seminar/training activities for women and young girls from the EuroMed region for enhancing gender equality and the empowerment of women and girls by ensuring their sexual and reproductive rights and health. The activity is to be organised with the financial support of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Cyprus 2020 and in collaboration with the ALF networks with the overall objective of mainstreaming gender equality and fighting gender stereotypes in the EuroMed region. □

YOUNG MEDITERRANEAN VOICES

YOUNG MEDITERRANEAN VOICES PLANNING FOR PHASE II OF THE PROGRAMME: 2021 – 2024

Young Mediterranean Voices
Concept Note & Pre-proposal "YMV Phase II" (2021-24)

by the Anna Lindh Foundation, in partnership with the British Council

About Young Mediterranean Voices

Young Mediterranean Voices (YMV) is the flagship youth-led debate programme coordinated by the Anna Lindh Foundation, co-funded by the British Council, and developed in partnership with the Centre for Mediterranean Integration (CMI), Friends of Europe, the World Leadership Alliance-Chief of Mission, MEDAC and Solity. The programme is funded by the European Commission and co-funded by the Government of Finland, the World Bank Group and the British Council.

YMV was built on and grounded in the legacy of Young Arab Voices (YAV) which is a youth-focused programme launched in Alexandria in October 2011 by the Anna Lindh Foundation and the British Council.

The current programme, has provided young people voice and safe space who otherwise, like other young people from their countries, felt disengaged from political, economic, social and cultural opportunities for participation. Moreover, it provided an exchange platform for youth from Europe and southern Mediterranean on issues of common concern.

6,800+	300+	82
young people trained in debate skills and engaged in inter-cultural dialogue across the two Mediterranean shores	debate societies set up within universities, youth centres and NGOs through national cascade training	cities across the Euro-Mediterranean offered capacity building and dialogue opportunities to their young residents

YMV Concept Note

During the first phase of implementation (2018-2020), YMV has generated successful outcomes, both in its work in the 8 countries of the South and in Euro-Med events and activities. These outcomes, and consultations with YMV partners and collaborators, are becoming the basis for the development of YMV phase 2 (2021- 24). The first phase of YMV

included the creation and strengthening of youth-led debate clubs active in communities, gender balance, equipping YMV alumni with skills and competencies related to debating and strengthening their ability to voice their concerns in national and international forums, creation of capacity in leadership skills, among other achievements.

In Phase II, and in order to broaden the impact of the action, the programme needs to crystalize and solidify methodologies, approaches and connections, through the development of a network of young peers across the Mediterranean, to have an open, inclusive and honest conversation about the gaps between the regions, the commonalities, and how to address together future challenges.

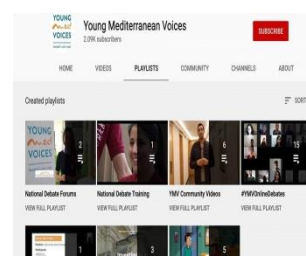
More specifically, it will base its activities on five pillars:

- (Dialogue) Skills and (facts-based) Knowledge: capacity building around debating as the cornerstones of YMV II
- Green and Digital: YMV's online presence
- Building Bridges: targeted inter-regional dialogue
- Investment in Alumni: Leadership building
- Youth as part of the solution: Policy recommendations, outreach and strategic communications.

The programme and its team are in a process of dialogue and communication with organizations and governments in the Euro-Med, in order to define the short-term and long-term activities of YMV. □

YOUNG MEDITERRANEAN VOICES PROGRAMME ANNOUNCES THE LAUNCH OF ITS REDESIGNED AND UPDATED WEBSITE AND YOUTUBE CHANNEL!

The Young Mediterranean Voices official website and YouTube channel are now updated and redesigned providing a more user-friendly and youthful experience. The objective is to provide an easy way to access information about the programmes' cycle, latest news and events, and to reflect the programmes's rich array of activities in a dynamic and engaging approach.



YMV YouTube Channel

Similarly, the Young Mediterranean Voices YouTube channel was updated, with new audiovisual materials, building on an existing digital library. New playlists provide a glimpse to Young Mediterranean Voices past events, debate trainings and online debates. Additionally, a number of audiovisual learning materials are now accessible. Community videos are also available, aiming to encourage young delegates to speak-up and share their personal experiences. □

YMV YouTube Channel:

<https://www.youtube.com/c/YoungMediterraneanVoices/featured>

YMV Website : <https://youngmedvoices.org/>

ACTIVITY REPORT LAUNCHED: SERIES OF HIGH-LEVEL VIRTUAL DEBATES (APRIL TO JULY 2020)



YMV Activity Report

The Young Mediterranean Voices programme organised during the months of April and July, a series of virtual debates with EU high-level Representatives. The exchange created a platform for constructive dialogue between decision-makers and youth, during the urgent times of COVID-19 crisis. Youth from 15 countries had the opportunity to jointly address critical foreign affairs policy discussions with policy-makers such as: Josep Borrell, High Representative of the Union for Foreign Affairs and Security Policy/Vice-President of the European Commission; Christian Danielsson, European Commission's Director-General for European Neighbourhood Policy and Enlargement Negotiations; Fabio Massimo Castaldo European Parliament's Vice-President, amongst others.

Recommendations were subsequently included in the EU statement at the United Nations Security Council open debate on Youth, Peace and Security on 27 April 2020. Moreover, a broader selection of policy recommendations will also be disseminated with relevant stakeholders as a main outcome of the discussions.

The series of Virtual Debates was organised by the Anna Lindh Foundation jointly with the European Parliament's Mediation and Dialogue Support Unit. □

Report:

https://youngmedvoices.org/sites/default/files/report_virtual_debates.pdf

ERASMUS+ VIRTUAL EXCHANGE

TEAM BEIRUT II WINS THE 3RD ONLINE EURO-MED DEBATE COMPETITION, DEMONSTRATING YOUTH'S POTENTIAL IN ADVOCACY ISSUES – 22, 23, 29 and 30 August 2020



3rd Online Euro-Med Debate Competition

“I wanted to win this competition to make youth feel their strength and help my country, despite the negativity surrounding Lebanon at this time”, highlighted Noura, leader of team Beirut II, winners of the 3rd Online Euro-Med Debate Competition held on 22, 23, 29 and 30 August, 2020.

The competition, with participants from 18 countries, showcased a unique methodology of virtual intercultural youth-led debates, used to acquire advocacy skills and exercise critical thinking. The aim is to increase young people's empathy and tolerance towards other countries, whilst praising cultural differences.

Throughout the 4 days, 30 debates were organised, together with 7 training sessions prior to the competition and 14 post-debate dialogue sessions, one week following the competition. Approximately, 250 participants had the chance to tackle key themes of relevance to young people. Topics, suggested by participants themselves, included: the current global crisis, climate change issues, digital education and civil rights. At the final debate, teams from Lebanon and Palestine had to present arguments for and against the motion: *“The most effective way to combat racism is to set stricter rules”*.

Dr. Nabil Al Sharif, Executive Director of the Anna Lindh Foundation, underlined the importance of supporting Virtual Exchange and innovative virtual tools to enable youth to develop critical thinking and advocacy skills to “be heard and empowered”.

The Online Euro-Med Debate Competition was organised by the Anna Lindh Foundation in the framework of the European Commission's project Erasmus+ Virtual Exchange. The Foundation is a member of the project consortium, composed by: Search for Common Ground, UNIMED, Sharing Perspectives Foundation, Soliya, UNICollaboration, Kiron Open Higher Education, and Migration Matters. □

Read more:

https://europa.eu/youth/erasmusvirtual/news/team-beirut-ii-wins-3rd-online-euro-med-debate-competition-demonstrating-youth%E2%80%99s_en

MONITORING AND EVALUATION

MONITORING AND EVALUATION (M&E) SYSTEM

In line with the Anna Lindh Foundation (ALF) Strategy 2025 to become the reference point for intercultural dialogue in the EuroMed Region, and as per grant contract signed with the European Commission that identified monitoring “as strategic priority”, the Anna Lindh Foundation has committed itself to establishing a coherent Monitoring and Evaluation (M&E)

system and impact measurement framework centred on result-based management.

The Foundation identified a partner to provide the M&E Unit with user-friendly software for monitoring in the field of development cooperation that will be customized to fit the particular needs of the Grants and Networks Unit. The objective during this phase is to establish a very simple system, means now to pilot simple M&E software that will be the basis for a more refined system to be established for the next phase. □

ALF NATIONAL NETWORKS



BELGIUM

Due to difficult conditions, activities are slowing down a bit for everyone but we strive to maintain the ALF Belgian network through specific activities. The Anna Lindh Foundation has a real challenge to take up, that of facilitating exchanges while creating dialogues to give hope and this is where we, as leader of Belgian network, come in. Indeed, we manage somehow to give courage and freedom to citizen through cultural activities and we want to offer interactions between these organizations. Among these cultural activities which give the opportunity to people from different cultures to exchange, we find the “Café Citoyen” (citizen coffee) each month which is a space of debate.

On this Saturday we'll be having our next “Café Citoyen” and it will be about:



- New forms of communication
- Working from home and professional relations
- Reduction of the social and friendly circle
- Solidarity between inhabitants

We do our best to maintain social cohesion and we want to give a voice to the people most forgotten by society especially in this complicated time. □



BOSNIA AND HERZEGOVINA

WITH CATS IN THE COMMUNITY

There is a Committee for Interreligious Cooperation in Tuzla, which was formed on the initiative of the Interreligious Council in Bosnia and Herzegovina. Among numerous activities, they strongly condemn the desecration of religious buildings and monuments, and work together to promote unity, togetherness and peace.

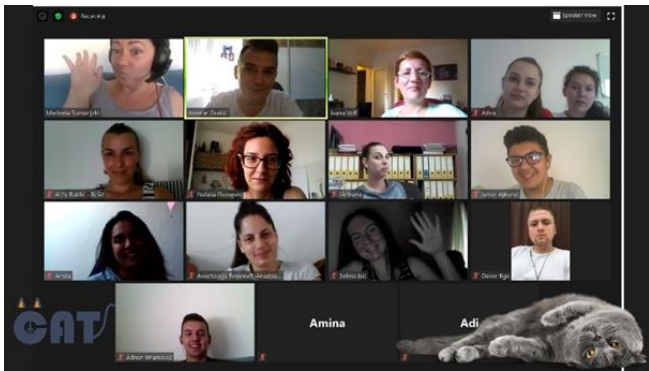


RTV7 Tuzla 1

The members of the Committee for Interreligious Cooperation are representatives of all denominations, and what activities do young people dedicate themselves to, as well as how religious they are, whether there is religious radicalism in our area and whether politics abuses religion in Bosnia and Herzegovina are some of the questions religious representatives in Tuzla responded to. Visiting the program of RTV7 Tuzla, they said that there is a high degree of multiculturalism and interculturalism in Tuzla, which is special in Bosnia and Herzegovina. Our guests were representatives of the three most populous denominations in BiH and in the city of Tuzla, Islamic, Catholic and Orthodox, who also said that they feel free as representatives of their religious communities and can act without pressure. Our guests were Esmir efendija Hasanović, coordinator for work with young people at the Majlis of the Islamic Community of Tuzla, Fr. Franjo Ninić, parish vicar at the Franciscan Monastery in Tuzla and Miloš Trišić, parish priest of Tuzla. [VIDEO](#) □

SECOND MODULE OF THE FIRST CAT DIGITAL ACADEMY COMPLETED

In cooperation with eminent youth workers from Serbia - Ivana Wolf and Marinela Shumanski, we bring you our first Digital Academy for social network managers!



Digital Academy for social network managers

The second module of our first CAT Digital Academy was completed, and on that occasion Ivan and Marinela shared with us their impressions and what was done with the participants.

What was done with the participants in the second module?

“During the second module, we dealt with the importance of online campaigns, their positive and negative sides, with a special emphasis on campaigns that deal with important social topics. Participants were then tasked to analyze some of the well-known online campaigns conducted or still being conducted by other civil society organizations, institutions or social movements. In small groups, they answered the 5 most important questions - why? , what? , who? , when? , where? to better understand the structure of the campaign, the reasons for its implementation, the goals, the necessary resources and the media through which they are conducted. In this way, participants were prepared to design their campaigns, which started immediately after this module.

“Within the 2nd module, we had a Zoom meeting, where we reflected on what has been learned so far and a brief evaluation of the joint work so far, as well as to announce some future activities“ say Ivana and Marinela. □

#CATPATROL: ENGINEERS & MIRELA BIKOVIĆ

The guys, who slept on campus on the tables, played Soccer, ate and lived there, all so that the rest of us could sleep safely in our homes without the risk of infection.



Engineers & Mirela Biković

We bring you the story of, as they say, crazy and brave young people who stood on the front lines during the greatest crisis #COVID-19 and with their selfless efforts saved a large number of doctors, police officers, students and many others. In the third episode of CAT Patrol, Mirela's guests were members of the Student Council of the Faculty of Mechanical Engineering in Tuzla and assistant at the Faculty of Mechanical Engineering Denis Bećirović! [Video](#) □



Zaklada Anna Lindh
Hrvatska mreža

CROATIA

Most of the activities of the National Foundation for Civil Society Development (a Croatian Network Coordinator) were modified and re-arranged in a way to minimize the impact of COVID-19 pandemic. By coping with the ongoing crisis, HoN staff devoted to Network coordination approached the members via various forms of communication (emails, social networks, online platforms, and even mobile phone calls), ending up with the final list of members, that is completely updated and precise, both in providing detailed contact info, but also in justifying the high motivation of members for participation and cooperation in the future period.

The preparations for the MedForum2020 were at a very high level of readiness - including a comprehensive list of 441 participants from local NGOs (in part Croatian Network members, but with much more non-member organisations).

They would be offered a full coverage of participation at the event on the cost of the National Foundation, as their presence was planned to have a great impact on Forum's work, at the same time providing themselves with experience that will make them closer to general ideas and values of the Euro-Med processes. Unfortunately, this chance was lost with the postponement (and later cancellation) of the Forum, and only hope remains that with the planned change of format of the event, at least a part of the goals could be achieved.

However, immediately after the outbreak of COVID-19 local epidemic, closely followed by an earthquake in the Zagreb area (that also largely affected the daily operating of the social life and infrastructure), the National Foundation acted towards the Network members, the majority of which are the beneficiaries of National Foundation's Grant-schemes. The HoN provided the assistance, financial means and even collected their comments and experiences during that difficult time. This aid was considered as a valuable asset that was not relying on ALF financing, nor it was foreseen in any of the strategic documents, but gave the members a notion of belonging and solidarity that is always very important in such situations.



IMPACT Academy at work

In addition, a research was conducted in the form of a questionnaire, providing results that further supported an increased interest amongst civil society organisations in Croatia for an initiative that would focus on possible strengthening of the local communities. Furthermore, a new institution was founded, dedicated to education and trainings - IMPACT: Euro-Mediterranean Academy for Philanthropy and Society Development, with an overall intention to empower the change-makers that could bring positive and lasting improvements to the local communities. These two facts combined offered a rare opportunity for preparing an innovative concept that would provide tools and skills in order to assist exceptional individuals from the local communities, helping them to put their ideas and their visions into practice.

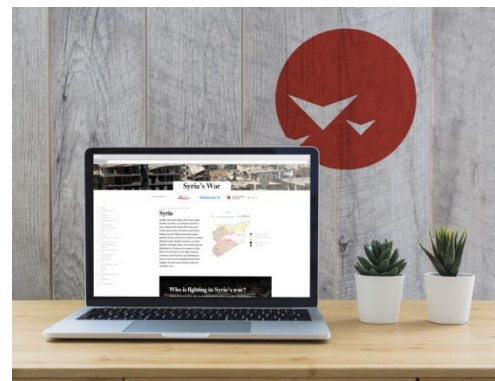
Recently, the National Foundation decided to also address the possible participants from the rest of the ALF National Networks, as visiting representatives from their respective Networks. The selection will be done through structured questionnaire and approved by their Head of Network organisations, using the principles and methodology as described. That would open the possibility for people who are (potential or existing) change-makers in their local communities to join the IMPACT Academy in order to learn, improve his/her abilities and chose among the relevant options for self-sustainability and the quality of life.

For the mentioned purpose, the framework of the existing KEEP Programme (Knowledge and Experience Exchange Programme) will be used, financed by the National Foundation's own resources, offering the pre-selected participants a scholarship for education at the Academy in order to gain additional knowledge and skills to be able to improve community potentials in their respective countries. □



CZECH REPUBLIC

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EGYPT

VIRTUAL MULTI- COUNTRY YOUTH DEBATE – 18 June 2020



Virtual Youth Debate

The Egyptian Network of the Anna Lindh Foundation has organized a Multi country debate on 18 June 2020 on the theme of Youth, dialogue and digital Entrepreneurship. The Motion of the debate was titled “ Digitalizing businesses must be obligatory after the Covid-19 pandemic era in Euro Med Region “.

This debate was attended by 40 young people from Egypt, Macedonia, Croatia, Poland, Turkey, Italy, Jordan, Spain, Greece and Morocco

The Debate tackled the evolving technologies which provide new opportunities to connect small businesses to the customers online with rising concerns of cyber security breaches and downsizing of employees who will be replaced by such powerful transformation. In addition of the Covid-19 pandemic circumstances which forced millions around the world to stay in quarantine and work from home. □

OUTREACH ONLINE WORKSHOP - 20 July 2020



Outreach workshop organised by the Egyptian Network of ALF

The Head of the Egyptian network organized an outreach workshop on 20 July 2020. During the workshop there was also a session about the Anna Lindh Foundation and its Egyptian network and how to be a member of Egyptian network, and it was attended by 22 organizations (member and non-member of network). Among the speakers of the workshop was the Executive Director of the Anna Lindh Foundation, Dr Nabil Al Sharif. □

CAPACITY BUILDING WORKSHOP – 22 July 2020



Capac1 Capacity building workshop

The Head of the Egyptian network organized a Capacity Building workshop on 22 July 2020 in Upper Egypt about Sustainable Development Goals. □

YOUTH DEBATE - July 2020



Youth Debate in Alexandria

The Head of the Egyptian network organized in July 2020 a youth debate entitled "Dialogue between different cultures reduces extremism" which was held in Alexandria and attended by youth from civil society institutions in Alexandria and Delta, the debate format provided a very good platform for two teams, one of them supporting the motion and the other team opposing the motion. □

EGYPTIAN NETWORK MEETING - 20 July 2020



Meeting of the Egyptian Network

The meeting was held online through the zoom conference on 20 June 2020 and was attended by 28 members of Egyptian network where updates of Egyptian network were discussed. □

INTERNAL RULES OF THE NETWORK – 20 August 2020

Amendments of the internal rule of the Egyptian network, and formatting the legal committee and taking the voting of general assembly and approval through urgent meeting on 20 August 2020:

- Head of Egyptian network made study and policy paper about the future of Governance Structure of the Egyptian Network
- Head of Egyptian network created a Manual on how the Egyptian network conducts the dialogue and debate events under the COVID -19 restrictions. □



Fondation Anna Lindh Réseau Français

FRANCE

TRIBUTE TO IDIR: AN ARTIST BUT ALSO AN ACTOR IN EDUCATION FOR INTERCULTURAL CITIZENSHIP



Moulaqaats in tribute to IDIR

The association Les Labos de Babel Monde Bretagne works in the field of education for intercultural citizenship. In the past, we have already organized collections of painted banners (format 110 cm x 170 cm) illustrating poetic texts by authors from the northern and southern shores of the Mediterranean which were presented during ALF meetings in Barcelona, Marseille, Malta, Tunis, Ramalah, Sidi Bel Abbes... □

A new collection will see the light of day with painted banners inspired by lyrics from IDIR songs.

IDIR is an artist who has had "the chance" to live in several cultural environments in Berber-speaking Kabylia, in Arab Algeria and finally in the Paris region in France. His artistic approach can be a model and a source of inspiration for associations and people leading actions in the field of intercultural citizenship education. Idir's musical creations highlight human rights issues, as well as ideas of dignity, equality, diversity, solidarity and social justice.

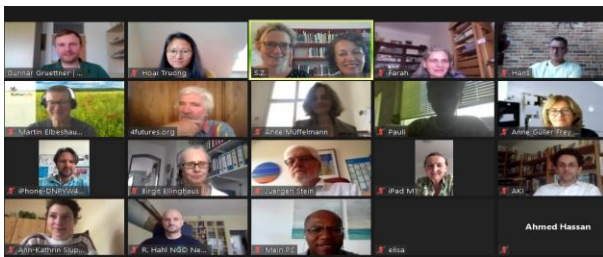
Idir addresses the themes of childhood in war, the dignity in the face of injustice and the greed of the "elites", the dignity still in spite of exile, the dignity in the face of injustice and the greed of the "elites", the dignity still of the "Algerian standing" who refuses the status of the woman subjected by the traditions, of solidarity and the joy of living together, of the youth taking up the torch of the "beautiful resistance".

"We must advance by walking together" in intercultural education. Moulaqats created in Constantine in Algeria by Amine BOUGHACHICHE inspired by the song "avava inouva" the new collection will include around twenty banners; she "travels" very easily and is at your disposal to organize your education activities for intercultural citizenship. You can also add your banner to the collection! □



Anna Lindh Stiftung Deutsches Netzwerk

GERMANY



21st meeting of the German network

The 21st meeting of the German network of the Anna Lindh Foundation took place online due to the current measures against Covid-19, with insights on the national and the international network news, a retrospective overview of the network activities in 2019 and a forward-looking on planned projects and activities of the German network. In the spirit of further promoting the cooperation, expert knowledge and learning exchange initiatives of the ALF members, our network started a new series of interactive online workshops organised by members of the German ALF network for all members of the ALF network on topics of "Intangible Cultural Heritage and Super-diversity of Urban Spaces", "Diversity Management in Times of New Work – Opportunities and Challenges" and "Integration through Qualification".

In August 2020, the third online Euro-Med Debate Competition of the Erasmus+ Virtual Exchange Programme brought together 250 young participants from 18 Euro-Mediterranean countries. After stimulating debates on topics of online teaching, Covid-19, artificial intelligence, freedom of expression and social media, Team Beirut 2 from Lebanon led by Team Leader Noura has won the competition.

We are looking forward to the activities of the Anna Lindh Foundation planned for December 2020 within the framework of the German Presidency, as well as the kick-off of a new series of our network activity "[Mediterranean on the Spot](#)" planned for spring 2021. □



Anna Lindh Foundation Irish Network

IRELAND



Sport against Racism Ireland - Research

In 2013, following research carried out by the Irish ALF Network Member, Sport Against Racism Ireland on the participation of Muslim women in Sport a unique sport body was formed. Base line study included the circulation of a questionnaire in a Muslim girl's junior school in Dublin, listing fifty sport codes. The games most popular with the young Hijabis were Football, Basketball, Camogie (Hurling for females). Thereafter a forum made up of Muslim women who were volunteers with SARI was convened. The new SARI programme focused on football and was called Hijabs and Hat Tricks. The forum, made up of fourteen Hijabis, was charged to come up with a work plan. All decisions were made by the women themselves who planned to limit membership to Muslim women and once consolidated, grow into an inter-faith outfit called Diverse City AFC. They selected a full playing kit with a badge showing a shamrock and a crescent. Within its first year of operation, Hijabs and Hat Tricks won the prestigious Beyond Sport (New Project) Award with their coach, eighteen years old, Fadhila Hajji winning the Irish national broadcaster, RTE-Rehab Sport Person of the Year Award in 2015.

The emergence of Hijabs and Hat Tricks stimulated considerable international interest but little notice at home. International interest resulted in the players and coaches being invited by the Institute for Strategic Dialogue to make a presentation at their YouthCAN conference in Oslo, Norway and to their presentation slot at the youth conference of the Commonwealth of Nations conference in Malta. In the meantime, another volunteer, Ilesha Moustafa represented the youth of Ireland at the 7th United Nations Alliance of

Civilisations Global Forum on Inclusive Societies in Baku, Azerbaijan. SARI has future plans to establish a Junior Hijabs academy in football, basketball and camogie with the support of former SARI volunteer, Ifrah Ahmed who campaigned against female genital mutilation in her native Somalia. Ifrah was also instrumental in having FGM banned in the Irish Republic. Her story is featured in the film A Girl from Mogadishu. □



ITALY

3 initiatives RIDE-APS carried out in the context of the Cerealia Festival (cerealialudi.org)



On August 1st, 2020, the Italian Network for the Euro-Mediterranean Dialogue RIDE-APS, Head of the Anna Lindh Foundation in Italy, co-organized a seminar at the Volterra’s Teatre Persio Flacco, in cooperation the International Volterra Roman Theatre Festival, in the context of the Scaena Mediterranea initiative on the ancient teatres

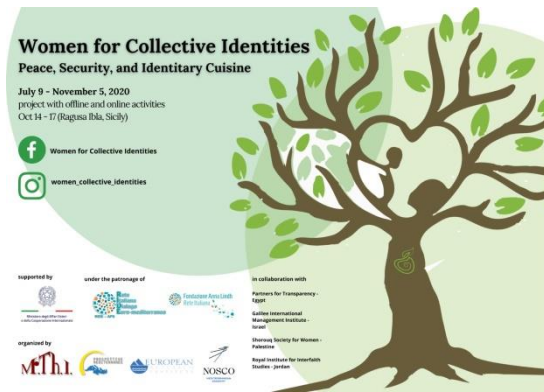
for the Mediterranean future, selected at the 5+5 Summit of the Two Shores, which French President Emmanuel Macron organised in Marseille in June 2019. □

In view of the Euro-Med Summit scheduled for November 26, 2020, to celebrate the 25th Anniversary of the Barcelona Declaration, and the restoration of the Santo Stefano Penitentiary in Ventotene, Mediterrean Prospectives (Prospettive Mediterranee) presented – on the occasion of the inter-institutional annual Ponza Prima-Med Conference held in the Ponza Island (RIDE-APS’ member), on September 14, 2020, - a proposal to set up at the local Villa delle Tortore a Laboratory for Research and Higher Education on Sustainability devoted to Mediterranean talented women and new generations (ponzaprimamed.com).



Participants at the Ponza Prima-Med Inter-institutional Conference

In this context, the conference’s chairman, Dr Enrico Molinaro - President of the organizing association and Secretary General and RIDE-APS’Co-founder – launched, in cooperation with RIDE-APS, the PRIMA Foundation and its Italian Secretariat, the Union for the Mediterranean-UfM, the Ponza Municipality, and the Pontine Archipelago Community, the Euro-Med Manifesto for sustainable development (climate change, circular economy, and food security). □



Flyer for the Identitary Cuisine Project

Women for Collective Identities: Peace, Security, Identitary Cuisine, a project under the RIDE-APS’ patronage to raise women’s potential for advancing peace, social justice, and to favor their participation within society, and their rights. Under the RIDE-APS’ patronage, four RIDE-APS members published on dedicated Facebook and Instagram pages videos on peace and their respective cultures Egyptian, Palestinian, Israeli, and Jordanian women produced talking about local recipes and personal experiences, in view of the common workshops planned for Mid-October 2020 in Ragusa Ibla (Sicily, Italy). □

All images shared by the Italian Network are credited to RIDE-APS (2020).



Anna Lindh Foundation
Jordanian Network

JORDAN



Visibility and outreach session – Jordanian Network

The Jordanian Network of the Anna Lindh Foundation hosted on the 17th of September a visibility and outreach session, with some of the new and potential members like Caritas Jordan, International Youth Ambassadors Foundation IYAF, Shabab42, Intellect & Debating Society and Partners for Good.

In which a presentation of ALF vision, objectives, activities, and grants information was shared along with the potential members’ profiles.

The session was held at RIIFS meeting conference room, in which we used zoom and p2p to connect with the online future members. □



Visibility and outreach session – Jordanian Network



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SPAIN

INITIATIVES AND PROPOSALS FOR THE MEDITERRANEAN INTERCULTURAL DIALOGUE IN BARCELONA



Intercultural Mediterranean Dialogue

On the occasion of the 25th anniversary of the Barcelona Process, the conference “Intercultural Mediterranean Dialogue”: *Recognizing yourself in the culture of the other*” took place on 30 September in Barcelona. Organized by the Government of Catalonia with the support of the European Institute of the Mediterranean (IEMed) and the collaboration of Barcelona City Council.

During this day, the exchange between the social and institutional actors of the region Mediterranean has been favored, highlighting the practices to promote cohesion, if necessary in the context of the current social and health crisis, by revitalizing humanism and proposing priorities and measures to promote in the European policies Euromed.

Tahar Ben Jelloun, Mohamed Tozzy, Nayla Tabbara or Anis Boufrika, with other actors of the Euro-Mediterranean region, reflected on the keys and instruments necessary for promote a genuine dialogue at the service of the citizens of the Mediterranean and in favor of get-together of the peoples who unite it.

During this seminar, the international launch of the Virtual Marathon for the dialogue of the Anna Lindh Foundation. An opportunity to exchange good practices, to identify and discuss new trends and priority areas of work for the promotion intercultural dialogue in the EuroMed region. Nabil Al-Sharif, presented this initiative of the ALF with Cristina Mas, journalist; Hajar El Hawari, young activist and Josep Ferré, director general of the IEMed. □



SWEDEN

INTERCULTURAL COMPETENCE TRAINING:

Online training opportunity for intercultural dialogue activists



Interactive online training for civil society

Intercultural competence is the ability to function effectively across cultures, to think and act appropriately, and to communicate and work with people from different cultural backgrounds – at home or abroad. Intercultural competence is a valuable asset in an increasingly globalised world where we are more likely to interact with people from different cultures and countries who have been shaped by different values, beliefs and experiences. (Source: Monash University).

According to Professor Fethi Mansouri, UNESCO Chairholder, intercultural dialogue is in itself an essential tool that we will need in the post-COVID-19 environment. We will need to renegotiate a new global compact, a new social contract. Dialogue will have to play a key role in that. Perhaps it is being compromised right now, but it has a big role to play in the post-COVID-19 world that will emerge.

The Anna Lindh Foundation Swedish network held an interactive online training for civil society activists from the Euro-Med region. More than 30 trainees have learned practical intercultural skills and increased their understanding of intercultural competence and how to talk about and address intercultural opportunities and challenges.

TRAINING CONTENT

- Intercultural competence, what it is and how it works
- Identity and migration
- Culture and cultural differences - as a concept with benefits and limitations
- The danger of the single story – on stereotypes
- Dealing with value conflicts

METHODOLOGY

- A good balance between theory and practice delivered in two 2 1/2-hour-long online sessions via Zoom.
- Big group presentations mixed with small group discussions in break-out sessions
- Self-reflection exercises to do between the two Zoom sessions

TRAINEES PROFILE:

- Resident of the 42 Euro-Med countries
- working in an international and/or intercultural setting
- Want to increase your knowledge about and understanding of intercultural communication
- Want to listen to and share ideas about diversity, culture and intercultural encounters

When: 16-17 June at 09.30-12.00

Language: English

ABOUT THE TRAINER - PATRICK GRUCZKUN (SWEDEN)

Patrick is a freelance trainer on intercultural competence and conflict resolution. His firm, Samarbetsbolaget is a member of the Anna Lindh Foundation Swedish network. He has long experience as intercultural projects manager and education leader. He was in charge of the Anna Lindh Foundation network coordination from 2011-2016. [□](#)

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TURKEY

NATIONAL NETWORK MEETING – 25 July 2020

On the 25th of July 2020, ALF Turkey organized the Annual Network Meeting, in order to strengthen the capacity of the network members. During the meeting, the latest social challenges were discussed, as well as the methods to make it through especially during these difficult times.



CSOs Capacity Building Training 26-07-2020

The TC registered the attendance of 51 participants. The main focus of this TC was on further developing skills of CSOs (National Network Members), Networking and more collaboration within the ALF Network.



Field visit 24-07-2020 held in Ankara

On 24-07-2020 ALF HoN Turkey organized a field visit at the premises of our Network Members' offices, registering the attendance of representatives of National Coordinators and of Network members based in Ankara. The visit offered the opportunity of having a better knowledge of the work and involvement of our Network Members, sharing the best practices, sustaining our common interests in relevant fields. Moreover, the field visit offered the chance to welcome the new members who have recently joined our Network.



Field visit on 14-08-2020 held in Eskise

On the 14-08-2020, HoN of the Anna Lindh Foundation Turkey organized the third field visit at the premises of our Network Members' offices, registering the attendance of representatives of National Coordinators and of Network members based in Eskişehir.



Multi Country Debate 18-08-2020

On the 18-08-2020 ALF HoN Turkey hosted the MULTI-COUNTRY VIRTUAL DEBATE#2 in the frame of the future of civil society and Intercultural trends, with the joint participation of debaters, observers and judges from Albania, Italy, the Netherlands, Libya, Turkey, Algeria, Greece, Germany, Morocco and Spain .

The motion of the debate was 'THBT the Protection of National Identity is a Legitimate Reason to Restrict Immigration .' Certificates were delivered to all the participants.



Virtual National Network Meeting & Fundraising TC, 24-09-2020

On 24-09-2020 ALF HoN Turkey hosted Virtual National Network Meeting & Fundraising TC

This meeting was a chance to talk, discuss and share ALF activities held during 2020 and inform the members about the upcoming ones. In addition, fundraising training was delivered to the members with the main aim of increasing their operational capacities and ensuring sustainability of the Network. □

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