# North-South Centre of the Council of Europe GLOBAL EDUCATION PROGRAMME

# 1<sup>st</sup> semester 2014 update

#### **Global Education Regional and Kick-off Seminars** – *Policy-making*

As a follow-up to the Global Education Congress held in Lisbon (September 2012), the North-South Centre (NSC) is organising over the period 2013-15 three regional seminars (Baltic, Visegrad and South-East Europe and Mediterranean countries). These seminars intend to assess how global education (GE) has developed in the five areas of work covered by the GE Congress recommendations: 1) national strategy development and implementation; 2) curricular reform; 3) continuing professional development of educators; 4) quality support and monitoring; 5) campaigning and outreach. These regional seminars also measure the outcomes of the GE national strategies adopted in some countries so far and the lessons to be learnt. The regional approach of these seminars, which gather policy-makers and practitioners, aims at fostering an increased cooperation between stakeholders for the development of GE national strategies.

In addition, within the same 3 year period GE kick-off seminars are planned in EU acceding and candidate countries – Croatia, FYROM, Iceland, Montenegro, Serbia and Turkey.

Both regional and kick-off seminars are part of the strategy set within the new Joint Management Agreement signed between the NSC and the EC for the period 2013-15 for the enhancement of GE in EU new member States and in EU acceding and candidate countries.

- **Baltic regional seminar** (Riga 12-13 May) in partnership with LAPAS-Latvian Platform for Development Cooperation; *final report shall be available on NSC website from July*
- **FYROM national kick-off seminar** (Skopje 30 May) in partnership with ADI (Association for Democratic Initiatives). *final report shall be available on NSC website from July*

## **Global Education On-line Training Courses & Training for Trainers** – Capacity-building

- February HRE e-course (17 February-16 March)
- March ICD e-course (24 March-20 April)
- June HRE e-course (9 June-6 July)

The new topic on **Democratic Citizenship** has been drafted. A Consultative meeting with representatives from CoE Advisory Council on Youth, DEEEP4 (Developing European's Engagement for the Eradication of Poverty), the European Youth Forum (YFJ) and the League of Arab States (LAS) for the content writing of the new NSC e-learning course on Democratic Citizenship took place in September 2013. The purpose of the meeting was to share the draft proposal for the course structure and content and to further work on its finalisation and implementation in accordance with the outputs of the meeting. The content writing is being finalised and the pilot course is foreseen for **July 2014**.

#### **Global Education Guidelines**

The Arab, Bulgarian and German versions of the Global Education Guidelines have been uploaded on NSC website, summing to 10 languages the existing versions of the GEG, all accessible from NSC website.

The Montenegrin version is due for July and the Greek version for September.

The Arab version of the GEG will be an asset as a background pedagogical tool for the Mediterranean University on Youth and Global Citizenship.

#### **Other Developments**

## Mediterranean University on Youth & Global Citizenship - Hammamet, Tunisia, 2-7 June 2014

- Global Education (GE) Focus Group meeting with potential national coordinators for the Global Education Week network in Morocco and Tunisia. (Moroccan Centre for Civic Education & EdcucA Tunisia)
- Intercultural Dialogue indicators meeting: ICD set of criteria and indicators was finalized and the document has been validated as a reference pedagogical and measuring tool. (EU/CoE Youth partnership)
- Launching of the GEG in Arab.

Partner: Observatoire National de la Jeunesse

## **NSC** contributions/partnerships

- 3<sup>rd</sup> Alexandria Education Convention (Alexandria 7-11 June)

The purpose of this convention was to gather the feedback of formal and non-formal educators from the Euro-Mediterranean region on the draft contents of the "Education Handbook on Intercultural Citizenship in the Euro-Mediterranean region" - for which the NSC contributed and which the Anna Lindh Foundation plans to publish by the end of 2014 - and to gather their suggestions for the development of a training scheme around this resource. Several working session enabled to progress on the drafting of the tool, reviewing its structure and content. The final version should be released by the end of July.

- European Conference on Global Citizenship Education and the Post 2015 Framework (Brussels, 24-25 June)

The conference is organised by CONCORD in partnership with UNESCO, the North-South Centre, Global Campaign for Education, Oxfam International, CIVICUS, Beyond 2015, Education International, Engagement Global and in conjunction with the Replenishment Conference of the Global Partnership for Education and the High-Level meeting on Education and Post-2015 of UNESCO and UNICEF.

Participants worked on the concept, target and monitoring of Education for Global Citizenship (EGC) which should be prioritized for the post 2015 agenda, in association with UNESCO initiative on Global Citizenship Education. The NSC moderated the workshop on Target.

 Participation to UNESCO Expert Advisory Group for the Global Citizenship Education Guiding Framework (Paris, 25-26 June)

The NSC/CoE has been invited to the EAG for the UNESCO GCE framework (<u>Structure</u>: Understanding GCE; Teaching & Learning GCE; Topics & Learning Objectives by age; GCE assessment)

This framework shall be finalized by the end of 2014 and be prioritized for the Post 2015 agenda.

This was the first meeting of experts.

- Participation to UNESCO preparatory process of the ESD decade closing conference, Japan, November 2014 (Paris, 25-26 June)

The NSC has been invited to prepare a workshop on Global Education and Education for Sustainable Development for the ESD decade closing conference. This was the first meeting of experts.

Statistics (netstats.coe.in, January-July 2014)

#### WEBSITE

Downloads	Full download	Partial download
Global Education Guidelines (GEG)	6 797	16 635
GEG/French	5 022	28 074
GEG/Italian	3 360	11 062
GEG/Spanish	2 494	22 683
GEG/Portuguese	2 368	24 780
Webpages		Hits

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Global Education programme webpage	2087
Global Education Guidelines webpage	1734
Global Education Week webpage	1009
Global Education on-line training-course webpage	767

#### **PUBLICATIONS**

Global Education Guidelines hard copies (en/fr/pt/sp): 4056 copies distributed (2011-14)

## Global Education on-line training course: The Human Rights Dimension - February - March 2014

181 applications, 56 accepted, 35 successful participants

Profile of applicants:

Education (24); Civil Society sector (25); Government (7)

Female (42), Male (14)

Central/Eastern Europe (26); Western Europe (17); Africa (5); Rest of the world (8, Australia, Brazil, Indonesia, Iraq, Palestine, Turkey, United States, Vietnam)

#### Global Education on-line training course: Intercultural Dimension - March - April 2014

121 applications, 39 accepted, 20 successful participants

Profile of applicants:

Education (13); Civil Society sector (21); Government (5)

Female (25), Male (14)

Central/Eastern Europe (16); Western Europe (9); Africa (12); Rest of the world (2, Pakistan, Turkey)

#### More on the NSC GE programme

http://www.coe.int/t/dg4/nscentre/ge\_EN.asp http://www.coe.int/t/dg4/nscentre/ge\_FR.asp

#### Global Education national & regional seminars

http://www.coe.int/t/dg4/nscentre/GE/JMA\_Education\_EN.asp

**Global Education Guidelines** 

http://www.coe.int/t/dg4/nscentre/GEguideline presentation en.asp

**Global Education on-line training-courses** 

http://www.coe.int/t/dg4/nscentre/GE/GE-Guidelines/GlobalEducation\_on-lineTC\_intro\_en.asp

**Global Education Week 2013** 

http://www.coe.int/t/dg4/nscentre/GE/GEW/0GEW2013\_en.asp#TopOfPage

Global Education Congress website - http://www.gecongress2012.org/