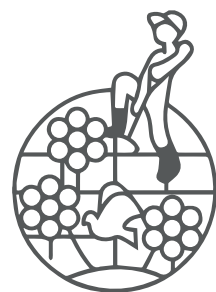


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REPORT



CCIVS

2015-2016

LEARNING BY DOING INTERCULTURAL
FREEDOM OF MOVEMENT UNION
PARTICIPATIVE PROCESS VOLUNTEERS
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SOCIAL INCLUSION UNITING PEOPLE
HUMAN RIGHTS ACTIVE PARTICIPATION
NETWORKING ENVIRONMENT UNITY
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INTERPERSONAL SKILLS SUSTAINABILITY
PEACE MAKERS CULTURE OF PEACE



FOREWORD DIRECTOR

It is my pleasure to share this activity report. It could look like we have a huge team working to implement all of these actions, but in fact its more down to a lot of hard work and dedication to the IVS movement and the refusal to believe that there are things we cannot do or achieve.

These activities would not have been put into place without first of all the will and vision of the members, the executive committee, the secretariat, external consultants, facilitators and volunteers. 'From Vision to Action', a title of a project - but symbolic of what we do, a small idea which can then go onto having a worldwide effect.

Times are changing rapidly, over the course of this activity report central issues in the world have been turning around climate change, migration and refugees, the rise in xenophobia and violent ideologies, the fight for people rights, repression and extremism etc... CCIVS projects reflect these worldwide events and seek to question and to identify how we as a movement can move forward. We have also worked strongly in this last period on increasing the impact of our actions within the IVS movement – IVS networks and sister networks coming together to work under common campaigns, more on which can be read about inside this report.

This activity report will also show the impact of what we do; increasingly the IVS network needs to show what International Voluntary Service brings to the personal development of volunteers and to communities. We now have the tools and a first set of results, a very important achievement. We can now provide concrete and validated sources of information to support what we have always understood to be true.

As I started thinking about how to finish this foreword, I decided to go backwards to talk about the past and delve back into the archives and share with you a favourite fact which is not well known at all! Today there are **6%** of workcamps in Latin America, but IVS was very strong in Latin America in the 1950s and 60s, even having a CCIVS office in Argentina and a Training Centre in Paraguay- on the left side you can see a photo from the first Latin America training project, held in Primavera, Paraguay, from 15-1-1961 to 12-2-1961.

As we move towards our 70 years in 2018 and 100 years of IVS in 2020, we should look back on the actions we have developed in the past and study how these have impacted our movement and the world. We must not forget our history, we can take lessons from it and celebrate it whilst looking towards the future.

Victoria Lovelock
CCIVS Director

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INTRODUCTION OF CCIVS
The Coordinating Committee for International Voluntary Service is an International Non Governmental Organisation engaged in the field of International Voluntary Service (IVS), created under the aegis of the UNESCO in 1948. It brings together more than 200 international and national organisations from all over the world.



THEMATIC AREAS



Peace and Human Rights



Environment and Sustainability



Poverty Eradication and Health Promotion



Cultural Heritage and Diversity



Social Inclusion and Active Participation

CCIVS STRUCTURE



RELATIONS WITH UNESCO

1920 The International Voluntary Service (IVS) movement was born.

1948 The CCIVS was established and based at UNESCO headquarters.

CCIVS is a trans-sectoral INGO maintaining formal relations of association with UNESCO and is member of the NGO-UNESCO Liaison committee.

CCIVS maintains: special consultative status with ECOSOC, liaison status with FAO.

ACTIVITIES PROJECTS & ACTIONS

Networking and International Representation

CCIVS organises inter-regional projects of IVS organisations, global meetings and participates in institutional forums to defend the priorities of the IVS movement.

Training and Capacity Building

Trainings for volunteers, leaders, trainers and staff of IVS organisations to develop the organisational capacities of members.

Communication and Campaigns

CCIVS puts IVS organisations and other institutions in contact and provides information, materials and tools.

RAISING PEACE 2015



RAISING PEACE 2016

VISION2ACTION

CONTACT 2 PARTICIPATION

WORLD HERITAGE VOLUNTEERS 2015-2016

CONTACT 2 PARTICIPATION RAISING PEACE 2016



STRATEGIC MEETINGS

- CCIVS Day
04/03/15 Yerevan, Armenia
- CCIVS Day
08/03/16 Tallinn, Estonia
- 8th Global Meeting of IVS Networks
20/02/15 Beaumotte, France
- Meeting of IVS Networks on Climate Change
19/06/15 Paris, France
- 9th Global Meeting of IVS Networks
10/10/15 Paris, France
- 10th Global Leaders Meeting
19/06/16 Barcelona, Catalonia

REPRESENTATION AND VISIBILITY ACTIVITIES

- NVDA - General Assembly
29/01-05/02/16 Cambodia
- ALLIANCE - Technical Meeting
27/02-04/03/15 Yerevan, Armenia
- NGO-UNESCO Liaison Committee Round Table and Meeting
06-09/08/15 Bulgaria
- NGO-UNESCO Liaison Committee Photo Awards and Meeting
14-20/09/15 Shangri'la China
- UIA Round Table
29-30/09/15 Bangkok, Thailand
- COP21 IVS Against Climate Change
05-11/10/15 Paris, France
- NGO Action Day on Climate Change
06/10/15 Paris, France
- UNESCO - Youth Forum
26-28/10/15 Paris, France
- UNESCO - General Conference
03-18/11/15 Paris, France
- SCI International Peace Seminar & Celebration
11-14/11/15 Verdun, France
- World Tanabata Action
01/01-31/12/15 Worldwide
- ALLIANCE - Technical Meeting
03-08/03/16 Tallinn, Estonia
- Council Of Europe - Remix
01-04/03/16 Strasbourg, France
- European Volunteering Forum
Maribor, Slovenia
10 - 14 October 2016
- UNV Partnership Forum
2016 Bonn, Germany
- Alliance Conference on Migrations
2/11/2016 - Valjevo, Serbia

FUTURE ACTIVITIES

- 34th General Assembly & General Conference of CCIVS
11/2016 Morocco
- Volunteer P.A.T.H. Cultural Heritage & Diversity Stakeholders Forum
6-11/02/16 Paris, France
- P.A.T.H. 2017 Volunteer & Heritage Management Training
04 - 06 /17 France & Uganda
- P.A.T.H. 2017 Local activities
01/05-01/10/17 worldwide
- P.A.T.H. 2018 Final Steering Team Evaluation Meeting
04/18 Italy
- STEP to Change 2017-2018 Global Needs Assessment, & Empowerment of Organisations Africa, Asia, Latin America, Europe
- Build Peace 2016-2019 Uniting Formal & Non Formal Education for Online Training



► PROJECTS AND ACTIVITIES





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The Raising Peace Campaign (RPC), since its first edition in 2014, has been the instrument of the CCIVS to put into practice the long term strategic plan for the theme of Human Rights and Peace, as defined in the White Paper on International Voluntary Service 2011-2021. At the end of 2014, the campaign was considered by members as a success and it was set as an objective for 2015-16 to develop a campaign that would: be sustained in the long term; and bring advocacy, training & empowerment, activism and visibility.

The Campaign aims at strengthening the role of International Voluntary Service in the fields of Human Rights and Peace.

The focus of the Campaign was defined in a Declaration (launched in April 2015 and signed by the main IVS networks CCIVS, SCI, ICYE, Alliance networks) on Human Rights & Peace, with 3 main blocks of Human Rights (Rights of Migrant people, Citizenship and Freedom of Movement; Rights to Life with Dignity -Food and Housing-; Rights on Gender, Sexuality and Body); adding peace-building as a crosscutting priority (focus in the Mediterranean and Ukraine in 2014-16). It has been run since its inception through the kind financial support of the European Youth Foundation.

The experience of 2015 was deeply empowering and started a strategic cycle for the CCIVS: the opening of 3 main fields of Human Rights action; the setting of a communication approach for Peace & Human Rights (P&HR) in conflict areas; and the empowerment of young IVS activists and their organisations for their involvement in P&HR actions.

- » This was in 2015 and in 2016 the incorporation of a concept of 3 lines of action for the campaign:
- » Empowerment: by developing competences of young activists and organisations, on the one hand; and supporting their initiatives, on the other.
- » Action: Promoting and supporting the actions of IVS orgs in Human Rights and Peace.
- » Advocacy, networking, communication: Boosting the institutional and networking capacity developed during 2015 activity and exploiting the potential of the campaign.

Activities in 2015

- » Steering Team + Global Meeting + Declaration on HR & Peace
- » Seminar Ukraine on Communication for HR & Peace
- » Peace Action Week (PAW) Rights of Migrant People, Refugees and to Citizenship
- » PAW on the Rights to Food and Housing
- » PAW on the Rights on Gender, Sexuality & own Body
- » Global Communication Campaign
- » Awareness-Raising activities
- » Joint actions: Training for Trainers on Peace and Human Rights (YAP Italy /Lunaria Italy);
- » Social Diplomacy Training (Sfera, Russia)



CCIVS

Steering Team Meeting

The second year of the Raising Peace campaign started with a steering team meeting hosted by Solidarités Jeunesses in their regional delegation of Beaumotte, France, from 18th February until 21st February 2015. Facilitators Oriol Josa and Victoria Lovelock (CCIVS) gathered 6 Peace Builders and representatives of IVS organisations: Alla Krinitsyna (SFERA Movement), Edyta Niewinska (SCI Madrid and SCI Poland), Inès Boursot (CCIVS), Ingrid Danckaerts (SCI Catalunya), Martina Kratka (SCI Hellas), Paul Winter (VAP UK) and Zhuoling You (CCIVS).

The group worked on the basis for a long-term Peace & Human Rights strategy, on the agenda for the year to come, the actions and activities and decided together on the diverse roles according to the skills and interests of each member (communication, coordination, fundraising, facilitation, training etc.).

Declaration on the situation of Human Rights and Peace by IVS networks

The steering team meeting followed by a Global Leaders meeting was the chance to start and draft a Declaration of IVS organisations on human rights. Also the main human rights to focus on for the campaign were decided upon:

- » The right for mobility, migrants, refugees and citizenship anywhere in the world;
- » The right to a healthy life, environment, food, water and housing;
- » The right related to gender, sexuality and decision over own body.

The declaration was signed in May by the CCIVS, NVDA, ICYE, Alliance and SCI, and supported by the African representatives.

This declaration set the political vision and a public statement of the IVS movement regarding Human Rights and Peace.

Seminar in Ukraine **"Communication for Peace and Human Rights"**

The Seminar in Ukraine "Communication for Peace and Human Rights" was hosted 26th-29th April by Alternative-V in Kiev, and gathered representatives of 3 networks: CCIVS, Alliance, and SCI, with one expert on communication for Peace, from the organisation Contrast. The main aim of the seminar was to learn first-hand about the reality of the conflict in Ukraine and find the way to channel an alternative communication about the conflict which could evolve in ways to support IVS organisations in the region and also contribute to build bridges towards peace.

The 4 day seminar allowed to meet representatives of Human Rights organisations in Kiev (Amnesty International; SOS Crimea; Centre for Civic Liberties; etc.), institutions (a meeting was held with the Vice-Minister of Youth, the Youth Director and representatives of the Ukrainian Youth Council) and volunteers, while working hand in hand with the host Alt-V.

As a result, communication was done within the networks, on the results and needs in the region, and the possible role of IVS there, and a blog bridgestopeaceforukraine.wordpress.org (with testimonials of Ukrainian activists on Human Rights) and public communication action around it was done.

Peace Action Weeks

Peace Action Weeks were the central events of the Campaign in 2015. They were designed as a formula to boost the maximum impact when working on the main topics of the campaign. The idea (based on the results -taken from 2014 training in Barcelona- on campaigning by Amnesty International plus the traditional Peace Weeks of SCI), was to achieve empowerment for participants, awareness raising in the host community and worldwide (with communication), and advocacy.

The 3 Peace Action Weeks served to construct a whole framework which is crucial to the campaign, which was to empower and to raise awareness on the 3 themes (+1, peace), in parallel and at the same time, with a common methodology and reaching common and good results, gaining visibility and future activists for each field. It was necessary to implement these actions in 2015 to consolidate this framework, and update the IVS movement on the relevant stakeholders for the 3+1 topics. The fact of having one PAW after the other allowed also to set a flow of external communication in the campaign (dedicating one period of the year to each of the topics).

Peace Action Week on the rights of Migrants, Refugees to Citizenship and Freedom of Movement. "Yes we are Citizens: we Participate, we Inhabit, we Move."

The Peace Action Week (PAW) on human rights and advocacy with a focus on the rights of migrants, refugees, asylum seekers and citizenship took place successfully between 4th May and 10th May 2015. The event was hosted by JAVVA in Brussels (Belgium) and gathered the participation of over 25 international young activists and the presence of representatives of important civil societies and institutions.

The trainers Thierry Gouders (JAVVA) and Oriol Josa (CCIVS) allowed the youth workers to acquire understanding of the situation of human rights in Europe, to exchange experiences and knowledge from experts (with the presence of campaigns by Belgian federation of NGO's and by Amnesty Belgium) and from every participant, to gather skills for activism and awareness raising, and experience in organising awareness raising activities. Two public actions were organised during the PAW in the streets of Brussels, promoting public debate on the themes of the PAW. An institutional event was organised to provide the platform of direct dialogue among the participants, policy makers and stakeholders. It counted with the presence of the EACEA, EU, Caritas International, and the UNDP.

In the final event of the Peace Action Week, participants made an active part of the demonstrations at Stenrock Festival, gathering in front of a detention centre, advocating for the rights of migrant people and demonstrating their solidarity.



Peace Action Week on the Rights regarding Gender, Sexuality and the Own Body.

From 27th November to 3rd December 2015, this PAW took place in Warsaw, Poland, hosted by FIYE Poland.

The trainers Laetitia Barbry (SI), Edyta Wawrinka (SCI-PI), Oriol Josa (CCIVS) and the supporting staff welcomed 18 young activists, coming from different IVS European organisations. For one week, participants had the opportunity to learn on Human Rights topics, on the central issues of the PAW, to work together and discuss the current situation of LGBTQI+ rights and gender equality in their own countries.

As part of the programme, activities of debate and exchange were organised with local organisations and movements (such as Trans-Fuzsja, Women Rights Center, Men Against Gender Violence, No-Hate Speech Poland, and the office of the Ombudsman).

One of the main focuses of the PAW was on increasing competences for action. As a result, on the last day, participants organised several awareness-raising actions in the centre of Warsaw, opening public debate and exchange with locals.

Finally, the PAW worked on specific proposals that participants worked in groups and were debated and presented as future projects to promote Human Rights related to gender and sexual orientation.

Peace Action Week on the Rights to Healthy Life, Food and Housing

The Peace Action Week on the Rights to a Healthy life, Food and Housing took place in Barcelona, Spain from 4th September to 14th September 2015, hosted by SCI Catalunya. The event gathered 18 active volunteers and facilitators Oriol Josa (CCIVS) and Gergo Kiss (Egyesek) and Nerissa for SCI-Cat, coordinated the activities, working together with the participants and civil society actors (NGOs, social movements and collectives) that took part in this Peace Action Week.

The PAW was organised to work close to social movements strongly involved in the topics of food and housing, with a special close relationship with the PAH (anti-evictions movement in Spain), the house of Can Masdeu (a historic squat) and the Observatori DESC (NGO dedicated to the defence of social, economic and cultural rights). Living for some days in Can Masdeu and during one week in a block squatted by La PAH allowed participants to get closer to such realities. Supporting their public actions, participating in their assemblies and volunteering with them brought a strong learning process, which was completed by educational activities on Human Rights and with a specific focus on communication and in development of youth initiatives by participants.

RAISING PEACE



2015 IN NUMBERS



73 young activists
involved in the
PEACE ACTIONS WEEKS

29 activities in
19 different countries



around
400 direct participants
and **100** team leaders

every
HUMAN
has
RIGHTS

Training for Young leaders and Trainers “(Y)Our Right to Peace”

The Training for Young leaders and Trainers “(Y)Our Right to Peace”, hosted by YAP Italia in Italy, allowed to train 25 future workcamp leaders and trainers on the topics of Peace and Human Rights, coming from Eastern and Western Europe. It was a joining activity to the main programme of the campaign, organised together by YAP and Lunaria.

Training on Social Diplomacy

The Training on Social Diplomacy, organised in Nizhny Novgorod, Russia during 17th-23rd August 2015, was another joining event to the Campaign, organised and hosted by Sfera. The training explored the concept of Social Diplomacy, the role of youth work within it, and worked around the analysis of present conflicts in order to develop common proposals developed by young participants. The main topics of analysis and work were: the raise of extremist violence, migrations, youth unemployment, and the conflict Ukraine-Russia. The training gathered 25 participants from around 20 countries members of the CoE.

 @raising_peace

Global Communication Campaign

One of the focuses of the Raising Peace campaign is to create communication for Peace. The CCIVS secretariat team created a communication toolkit (logo, banners, postcards, t-shirt design and communication guidelines), spread among partner organisations with the aim of increasing visibility. A new edition of the website for the Campaign <http://ccivs.org/raisingpeace> was launched and knowledge about the campaign's themes and a blogging space. Activities related to the campaign were also relayed through Twitter @raising_peace.

Raising voices videos: <http://bit.ly/1Nlf9TL> To celebrate the International Day of Peace, CCIVS launched an action called Raising Voices which aims to combine short video clips of people talking about the main Human Rights topics approached during the campaign (right of migrants and refugees, right on gender, body and sexuality, right on healthy life, food and housing). This allowed to show the different situations and approached of the Rights within different countries and cultures.

Freedom of Movement campaign: CCIVS together with other IVS networks launched the campaign aiming to allow freedom of movement to all individuals. Stop the Massacre: IVS organisations and networks, as CCIVS, addressed an urgent appeal to the international and national institutions to change their policies regarding migration after more than 800 migrants died on the Sicilian coast on 19th April 2015. Over 60 IVS organisations and networks signed the appeal.

The blog bridgestopeaceforukraine.wordpress.com was launched after the activity in Ukraine, where the learnings of the experience led to essay a communication platform that would offer 1st person testimonies of talks with Human Rights and Peace defenders in the country.

Local Awareness Raising Activities



Following the Peace Action Weeks implemented during the year 2014-2015, the Awareness Raising Activities for Human Rights and Peace took place from May to December 2015. The activities took diverse forms and were about diverse themes but they all aimed to raise awareness about Human Rights and Peace.

The range of types of activities was wide: Workcamps; Training for youth leaders and facilitators; Youth exchange; Peace theatre, visual arts, creative workshops; Event organisation (concert for example); Board games events and designing; Launching of online campaign; etc.

Also the diversity of themes was large: War commemoration (WWI, Cold war, Nazi concentration camps); Migrants, refugees, asylum seekers, freedom of movement; International solidarity; Intercultural exchange and understanding, anti-stereotypes; Anti-sexism; Non-violent conflict resolution; Basic Human Rights; etc.

CCIVS was in charge of the general coordination of the activities and provided some support to the organisations in the implementation of their projects. Indeed, the local awareness raising activities were a way to give a voice and more of a global outreach to the local events which took place for Peace and Human Rights in the world. The Global Communication campaign that was held during this past year allowed the raising awareness activities to obtain more visibility as they were promoted on the Raising Peace campaign blog and within the network.

Conclusions of 2015 edition: Successes and Challenges

The Raising Peace Campaign is generating synergies within the movement, young activists and staff are getting empowered, and the Campaign is achieving to bring the focus and work of IVS into Human Rights and Peace.

The main evaluation in 2015 was that the Campaign needed to follow-up in its stronger point (the empowerment) and needs to increase the impact in networking, advocacy and communication.

The main success of the 2015 edition was that it consolidated the work within the movement in the topics of Human Rights and Peace. An analysis goal by goal:

» “to increase capacities within the movement for the promotion of human rights and peace”. For this goal, the Peace Action Weeks (PAW) were fundamental, as around 70 young volunteers and activists were trained on Human Rights, on awareness-raising and on networking for Human Rights.

» “to spread awareness and influence for the development of central human rights issues in Europe”. With the same view as the former objectives, each peace action week allowed to raise awareness on one of the central topics of the Campaign. Awareness-raising actions were held in each Peace Week, to foster public debate among citizens: street actions in Brussels (migrations) and in Poland (gender, sexuality), supporting street press conference of anti-evictions movement (Barcelona). Online communication (social networks, 7000 visits on the blog or 80.000 impressions on twitter) and offline in international events, about these PAW, allowed to spread awareness on the 3 main HR Themes. Similarly, for the topic of peace, the influence was lower, but 1000 readings of our posts in bridgestopeaceforukraine.wordpress.org.

About “influencing”, the evaluation is different: through this process in 2015 we understood that the mission is more difficult, and that is why (after mapping institutions and NGOs in 2015 and making ourselves visible, which also happened in each PAW for each topic, with institutional sessions with stakeholders) it was decided to prioritise advocacy and networking for the plan of 2016 (Study Session, April 2016, on advocacy strategies; Global Human Rights Week, October 2016; Online training on Advocacy, January 2017)

» “to develop the networking among IVS organisations involved in Human Rights and Peace”: the 26 awareness raising activities developed in 19 different countries (involving directly 400 people), and organised by CCIWS members, are a good first impression on the results of this objective. The fact that in 2016 we decided to also prioritise this networking + empowerment of IVS members and that (to the date) we have 42 Raising Peace Camps confirmed, 3 Peace Action Weeks and 1 seminar completely organised by members; give also an image that 2015 dynamics allowed members to be empowered and increase the projects and the working-together.

» “to consolidate the initiative for a long-term programme”: as stated above, the 2015 edition allowed us to map the needs and stakeholders, to increase the internal cooperation on Human Rights and Peace, and to have empowered activists who are willing to follow a path with the campaign. These are all elements for a long-term development of the Campaign.

Challenges

The main challenge for the Campaign is at the same time what makes the process valuable, which is that empowerment, becoming influential, having impact, etc. are long-term processes.

In terms of empowerment, for example, participants who make their step from volunteers to activists, still need support to support and competences to act. That is why the decision was taken to make the future steps in the process trying to include those empowered participants to be able to design and lead their own projects/ initiatives/ strategies. As well, the process of “empowerment” with organisations needs to follow a process, and that is why it was proposed to be members who propose and develop the dynamics of Peace Action Weeks on 2016, for example.

On networking and advocacy, we realised that it was a wise choice to include the perspective of advocacy in the PAW, Ukraine, the Conference, but that it takes a longer way to be “influential”, to develop networking, etc. 2015 allowed us to draw the map of actors, and start placing ourselves in this map, while developing partnerships with stakeholders. It has been chosen that networking and advocacy need to come to the priorities for 2016. As a result, the Study Session on this topic, the Global Human Rights Week, etc.

In terms of impact for the target groups, the former reflections are also valid: the campaign has impacted within the movement, empowering activists and organisations, and promoting action and communication. But still it is not so clear how high as a campaign we are creating new impact in targets who suffer the Human Rights violations. This is coherent with the former reflection, that after 2 years it is more possible to impact with action: with the Raising Peace Camps, the Global Human Rights Week, the Peace Action Weeks,...

Finally an important challenge is the sustainability of the Campaign. The Workplan funding through the European Youth Foundation allows us to ensure the minimum of activity, but more and more the Campaign needs to achieve more regular and high sources of funding, to develop all its potential and in order to cover the necessary work for the Campaign.



Steering Team Meeting in Athens

The aim for the Steering team in 2016 was to gather experienced IVS people, with young participants of the campaign, in order to follow the empowerment path and make them contribute in the coordination of the Campaign. The launching meeting of the team could not gather all Steering Team members, but included the Secretariat (Ling You and Inès Bourso), Paul Winter for VAP-UK, Alla Krinitsyna for Sfera, Gergo Kiss for Egyesek, Jean Martinand for SJ and Oriol Josa as coordinator.

» *Laboratory for Tools and Skills for Peace Builders*

The Laboratory (Lab) was the first event planned in the cycle of empowerment, and the plan was to develop tools that would be useful both for participants and for IVS organisations who aim at working on the topics of Human Rights and Peace in their organisations, in workcamps, etc. It gathered young activists in IVS organisations from all over Europe; 3 places were open for participants from outside the CoE countries, which were filled by participants from Ruchi (India), IIRC (Indonesia) and NICE (Japan).

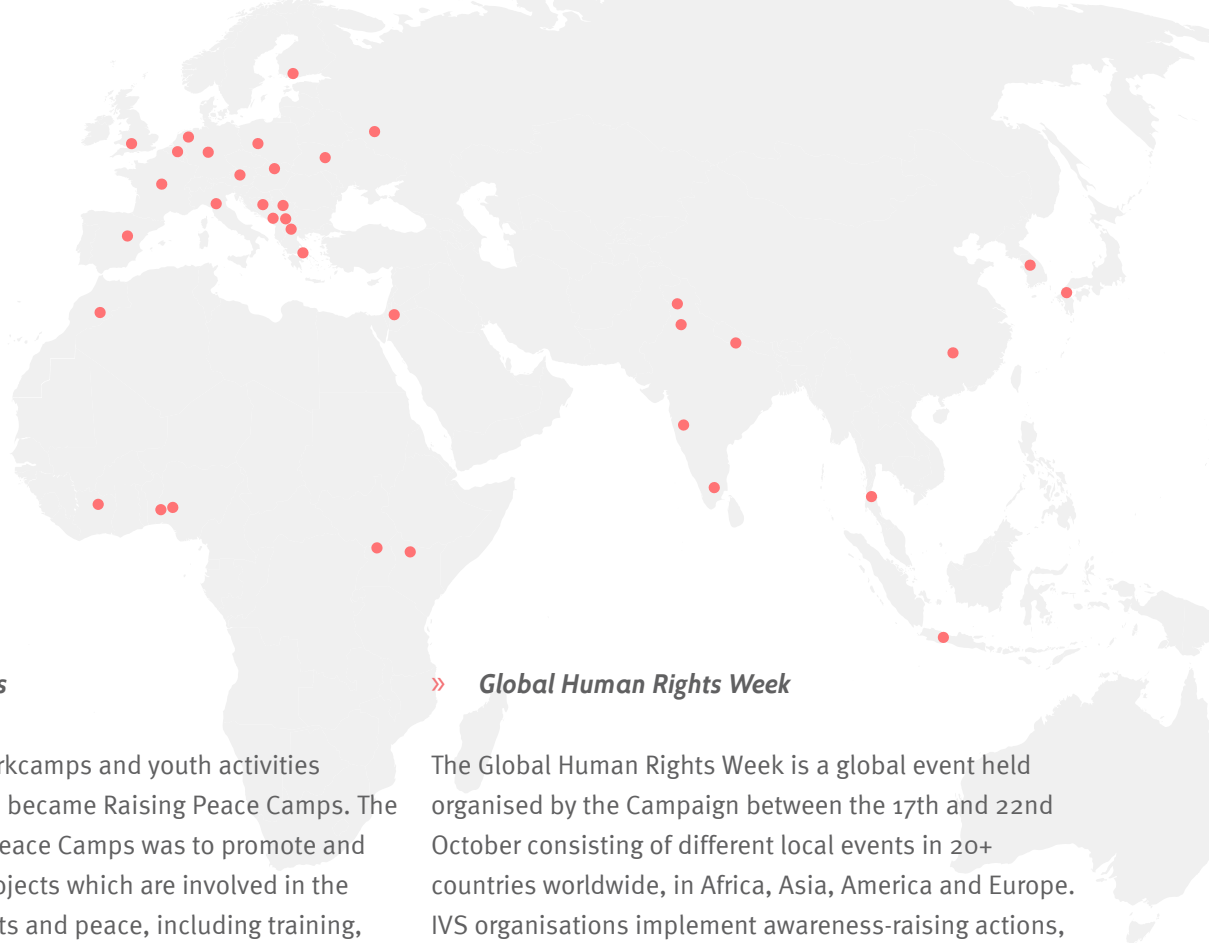
The Laboratory allowed the creating and finalising of the “Toolkit to work on the rights regarding Migrations, citizenship and freedom of movement in international workcamps” and the “Toolkit to work on the rights regarding Gender, Sexuality and Bodily Autonomy in international workcamps”. These toolkits were used during the workcamps season by several organisations both in trainings and workcamps; and they were promoted by the EYF in their website.

Another tool was designed in the Lab: the participatory and awareness-raising tool “Our Rights Our Voices Now!” (ourrightsourvoicesnow.org), an online tool to gather the position of the IVS world (volunteers, activists, organisations, networks) on Human Rights and at the same time spread awareness about the topic. Finally, the group worked also in improving the training activity The Path to Human Rights, developed within the campaign as an introduction to the topic of Human Rights.

An important element of the Lab was the participatory communication, which allowed the creating and distributing of communication materials made by all participants in the Lab.

» *Study Session: “What’s next on Advocacy and Activism for Human Rights and Peace in the IVS movement?”*

The Study Session, held in Strasbourg and hosted in the CoE EYC, was designed as an opportunity for several actors in the movement and key stakeholders to analyse and design the strategic approaches for IVS to become an influential and transforming actor in the field of Human Rights and Peace. The group of participants was mainly composed by young activists who participated in the campaign before, some other staff and activists in IVS organisations, and representatives of organisations linked to the goals of Raising Peace, coming from outside of the movement (United, Migrafrica, Men against Gender Violence, Network of Armenian Diaspora,...); it missed to have representatives of the international networks, and a wider group of staff in the organisations or from working groups. However, the final composition of the group and the invitees brought an interesting potential. Besides, the Study Session was an opportunity to exchange and establish dialogue with key stakeholders, such as the EYF, the North-South centre, the EYC itself, the Institut Català de Drets Humans (who participated as experts in the Study Session), etc. The Study Session served to deepen in the knowledge of Human Rights issues, to learn about how advocacy processes are built, and to design future strategies involving participants in the topics of migrations, refugees and freedom of movement; gender and sexual orientation, especially transgender collective; peace and reconciliation in the Caucasus.



» **Raising Peace Camps**

Over 60 international workcamps and youth activities joined the Campaign and became Raising Peace Camps. The proposal of the Raising Peace Camps was to promote and give visibility to those projects which are involved in the promotion of human rights and peace, including training, awareness-raising, communication or technical work in such direction. The camps are shown in an online map goo.gl/7UWUxT and are used to communicate the situations and alternatives regarding human rights in each of the regions joining, while it evidences the commitment of IVS organisations in this direction. Asian, African and European organisations organised Raising Peace Camps.

» **Decentralised Peace Action Weeks and RP events**

As an implementation of the goal of empowerment to organisations, in 2016 it was promoted that IVS organisations would organise their own Raising Peace events, with support from CCIVS but from their own initiative. The Peace Action Week on Gender and Sexuality Rights organised by SCI Catalunya (September 2016); the Peace Action Week on the Rights to Democracy and Living Together, organised by SJ in Paris; and the Seminar on Migrations and Human Rights organised by VAP-UK in Othona.



» **Global Human Rights Week**

The Global Human Rights Week is a global event held organised by the Campaign between the 17th and 22nd October consisting of different local events in 20+ countries worldwide, in Africa, Asia, America and Europe. IVS organisations implement awareness-raising actions, training events, volunteering, communication and advocacy actions on their chosen topics of Human Rights and Peace. The Raising Peace Campaign supports and creates a global communication network to reach a wide community of citizens and institutions, reflecting Human Rights needs and actions as approached by each IVS organisation in their own country. This global event was organised as an affirmation of the necessity to maintain dialogue on Human Rights & Peace. It is a strategy to attract the global attention of many peoples, organisations and institutions to these topics.

» **Networking across the IVS actors**

A special effort was put in the Campaign in 2016 to increase the networking on the peace and human rights themes within the movement. Several events of the year were already though in this way (Global HR Week, Study Session, RP Camps), and the fact of implementing them involved regular contacts with members. On the other hand, the presence of the Campaign Coordinator in the Technical Meeting of the Alliance (in Estonia) and in the Global Meeting (in Barcelona) allowed to deepen in specific proposals, for example in the launching of a group to coordinate the existing initiatives on the topics of refugees and migrations in IVS, gathering groups in the Alliance, CCIVS, SCI into a dialogue for common initiatives.

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The aim of the Vision to Action project was to use the existing capacities and potential within the International Volunteer Service Movement to follow up on the strategic goals of the White Paper for IVS in the thematic area of Sustainability and Environment whilst enforcing the support measures; Networking, Capacity Building, Impact and Communication and Visibility.

Training on Impact and Sustainability

The year 2015 started with a Training on Impact and Sustainability from 21st January until 27th January, hosted by the organisation VJF in Berlin, Germany. The activity gathered youth workers from 14 member organisations worldwide.

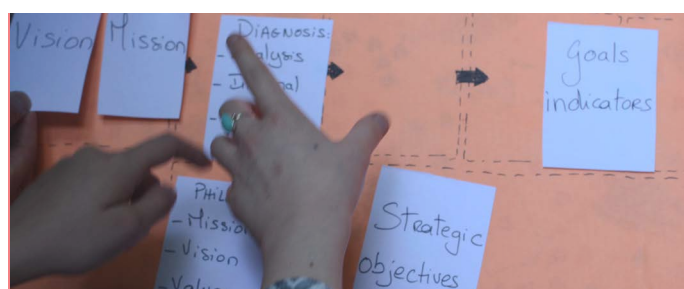
The trainers Oriol Josa (CCIVS) and Thomas Hauptvogel (VJF) provided the youth workers with guidelines and tools needed in order to conduct targeted research on the impact of IVS on the local communities and on the volunteers in the field of sustainable development.

The training was also focusing on non-formal education for youth workers to raise awareness, share tools on sustainability, learn and discuss on the topic of sustainability and its implementation in IVS projects. The activities contributed in the personal and professional development of young people engaged in youth activities or formal studies.

Training on Strategic Planning and Fundraising

The Training on Strategic Planning and Fundraising was the second stage of the Vision to Action project. This five-day-long training was hosted by the Argentinian organisation Subir al Sur, in Buenos Aires from 11th April until 17th April 2015.

The two trainers Oriol Josa (CCIVS) and Florencia Cadorini (Subir al Sur) joined staff, board members and volunteers from 14 IVS organisations worldwide to develop strategic planning and fundraising skills and to exchange good practices and tools for fundraising.



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Training for Trainers on Advocacy, Visibility and Awareness Raising

“Yes, we are citizens! The rights of migrant people, refugees and IVS” was Training for Trainers on Advocacy, Visibility and Awareness Raising hosted by JAVVA in Brussels, Belgium from 4th May until 10th May 2015. The training gathered 25 activists and local volunteers involved in the theme of human rights, and especially regarding the topic of migrant people, refugees and the right to citizenship.

The trainers Oriol Josa (CCIVS) and Thierry Gouders (JAVVA) allowed the youth workers to acquire understanding of the situation of human rights in Europe, to exchange experiences and knowledge from experts and every participant, to gather skills for activism and awareness raising and experience in organising awareness raising activities.

Training on Media and Communication

The fourth stage of the Vision to Action project was a Training on Media and Communication which took place in Egyesek's community accommodation called Creative Space Training Center in the World Heritage village of Hollóko in Hungary.

From the 10th June until 16th June, trainers Oriol Josa (CCIVS) and Miki Ambrozy (Egyesek) worked together with representatives of IVS organisations worldwide to involve their creativity to learn and share about communication within their organisation through media and to learn how to use media to share a powerful message.

The participants practiced basic skills for digital communication using storytelling, they learned how to create a message using music, rhythm and video images and they were able to practice how to do creative documentation for funders and fundraising.

International Conference on IVS action for Sustainability

The conference hosted by CCIVS in Paris, France from 5th October until 10th October 2015 was the last stage of the project Vision to Action. It was the opportunity for over 60 IVS organisations, participants to the project and external stakeholders representatives to gather and raise awareness on the role of IVS and other NGOs on towards peace, cultural heritage and sustainability and to share resources, good practices and results of the previous international trainings and interregional camps.

The international conference enhanced synergies among member organisations of CCIVS, NGO network and other external stakeholders and allowed participants to develop joint strategies and plan of actions toward a sustainable society.

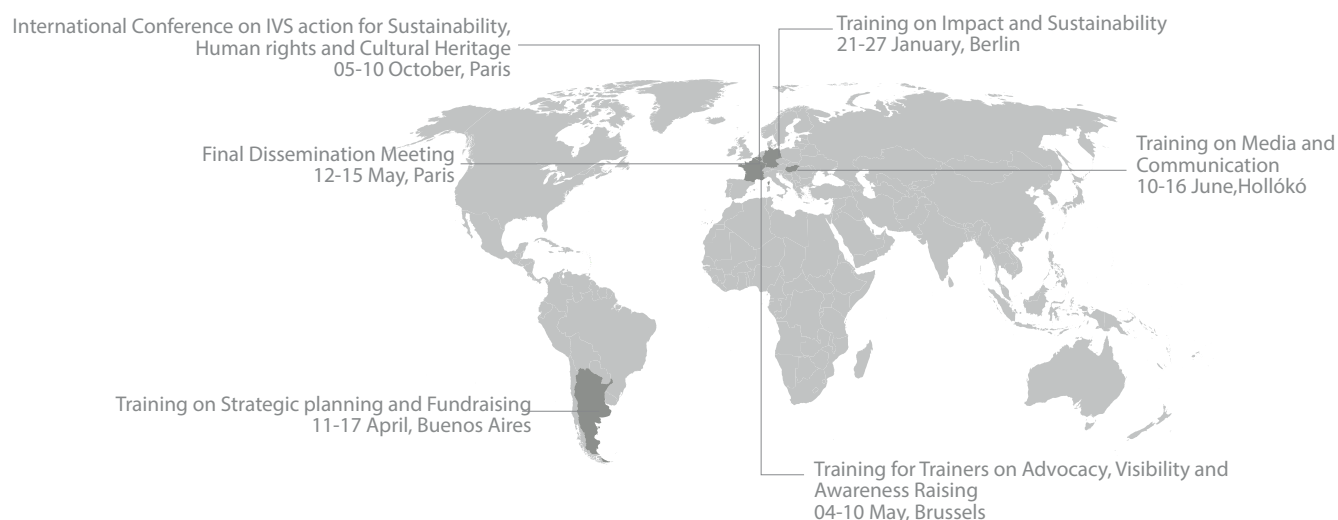
A networking day was held inviting representatives of UNESCO and NGOs in formal relations of association with UNESCO, during this event the organisations worked together to create a common declaration on Climate Change which was validated and can be found here.

<https://goo.gl/LU3wS3>

Final Dissemination Meeting

A Final meeting took place in 2016 to evaluate the processes of the V2A project and to oversee the completion of the Final Reports.

The group also planned the next steps of the project and shared ideas for future actions including the possible financing of these.

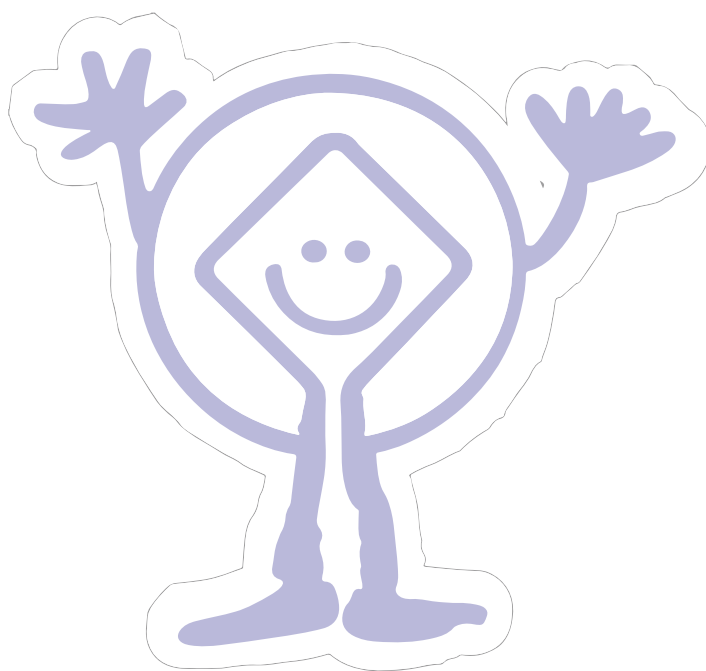


WORLD HERITAGE VOLUNTEERS

The World Heritage Volunteers initiative launched in 2008 in collaboration with the World Heritage Centre of the UNESCO entered its 9th year in 2016.

CCIVS is in charge of the global coordination of the initiative and is in charge of the regional coordination of Africa, Arab States and Latin America. CCIVS works together with the World Heritage Centre which directs and supervises the whole coordination and with two regional coordination's including European Heritage Volunteers – branch of Open Houses coordinating the Europe region since 2014 and Better World coordinating the Asia region since 2015.

The 2015 campaign 'Patrimonito takes a stand in a Changing Global Environment' included 46 projects with 40 organisations in 32 countries. The distribution of project per region is as showed on the graph below: Volunteers' mobility (The following set of statistics - that concerns volunteers' data as age, nationality and gender - are based on 42 evaluation reports of the World Heritage Volunteers 2015 campaign, out of a total of 46 implemented projects.)



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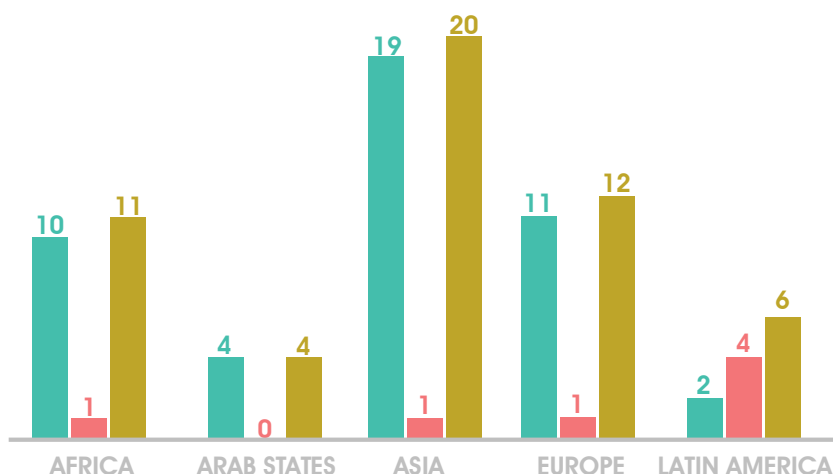
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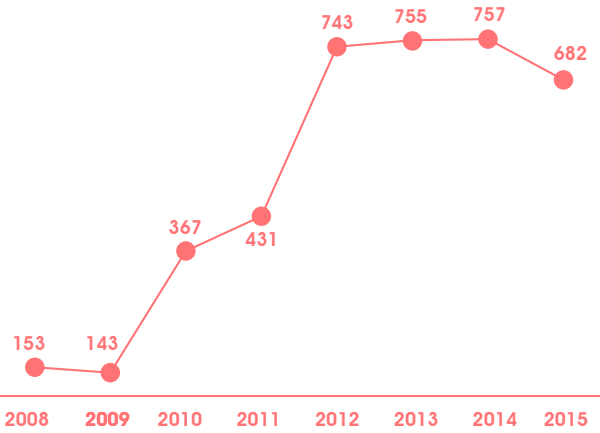
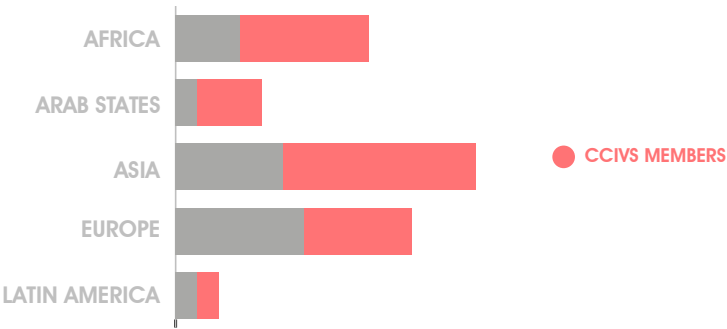
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A total of 40 organisations participated in the World Heritage Volunteers 2015 campaign, **60%** are CCIVS members (24 organisations)



Since 2008, the World Heritage Volunteers gathered a total of 4 031 volunteers to participate in action camps worldwide, out of which 682 volunteers participated in the campaign 2015.
Below is the evolution of number of volunteers through the years:

Volunteers' mobility (The following set of statistics - that concerns volunteers' data as age, nationality and gender - are based on 42 evaluation reports of the World Heritage Volunteers 2015 campaign, out of a total of 46 implemented projects.)

Measured in percentages, Latin America and Europe regions sent the most volunteers to other regions: **47,77%** of European volunteers and **29,17%** of the Latin American volunteers participated in an action camp outside of their region of origin. However, only **17,24%** of the Arab volunteers, **13,76%** of the African volunteers and **11,24%** of the Asian volunteers took part in an action camp outside their region of origin.



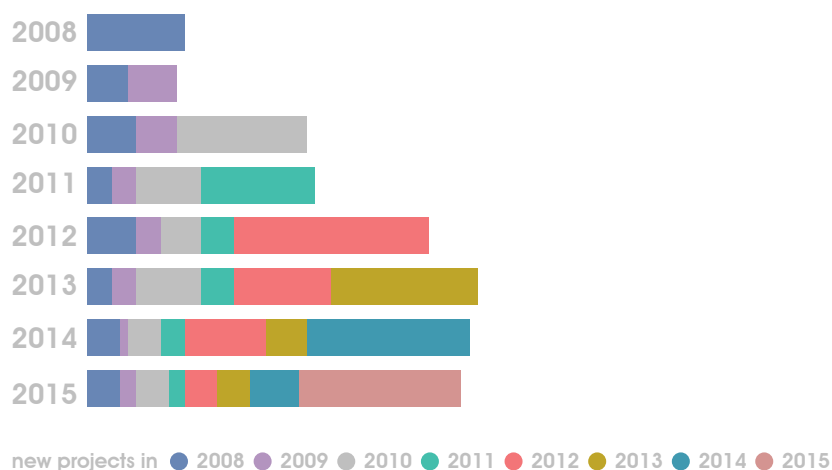
During 2015 campaign, the average age of volunteers worldwide was **24.5 years** old, with younger volunteers in Asia (average of **22 years old**) and older volunteers in Africa (average old 30 years old). The gender of volunteers was unbalanced with a higher percentage of participation from women, the **55%**, than from men, the **38%** (**7%** unknown gender).

Planning and Networking meetings organised by the regional coordination's in Europe (European Heritage Volunteers) and Asia (Better World) took place in the first part of the year and provided a space for the organisations to meet together and to discuss their projects and to plan the year ahead.

The Monitoring visits took place during 2015, the CCIVS undertook the monitoring of eight projects: three in the Arab States and five in Africa. Monitoring visits are part of the annual campaign and provide support to the local organisations and feedback to the international coordination on activities themselves.

In March and October 2015 CCIVS implemented a reflection and evaluation on the World Heritage Volunteers initiative in order to bring new ideas and feedback to the initiative, these internal evaluation and reflection process continue throughout 2016.

The following chart shows the evolution of the World Heritage Volunteers campaign, since 2008:



Two projects have been ongoing since 2008, without any year-off, and are organised by CCIVS members Dejavato and FAGAD.

In 2016 the campaign 'Together for Heritage' (ongoing) brings 58 action camps on 53 World Heritage properties or sites inscribed on the Tentative Lists, in 35 countries. The projects are implemented by 47 local organisations, including 19 CCIVS members, NGOs or public authorities.

Different examples of projects can be found here www.whvolunteers.org

During 2015 and 2016 the different coordinating bodies met on different occasions in order to evaluate and to prepare the campaigns.

IPYL - Palestine
Vicky Lovelock (Director CCIVS)

GVDA-Kenya
Youth 2 Youth- Zambia
Youth 2 Youth-Zimbabwe
UVDA-Uganda
Rita Albuquerque (CCIVS Consultant)

Good Word Society (GWS)-Bahrain
CSM-Morocco
Ingrid Danckaerts
(Vice President for Thematic Actions)

CJV- Morocco
Matina Deligianni (President CCIVS)

UNITE4HERITAGE

In 2015 CCIVS was requested to coordinate a programme of the World Heritage Education Programme under the **#UNITE4HERITAGE** campaign.

8 participants were selected by the World Heritage Centre based on individual applications from Yemen, Egypt, Lebanon, Tunisia, Palestine, Iraq, Sudan and Libya to participate in projects run under the 2015 World Heritage Volunteers campaign.

CCIVS dealt with the logistics, communication and follow up for the participants and hosting organisations.



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CONTACT TO PARTICIPATION

CCIVS implemented a three stage project from 2014 to 2015 inviting organisations from Palestine, Jordan, Tunisia, Morocco, FYROM, Catalunya, France, Slovenia, Italy and Belgium.

A three part project, the first action was a Contact Making and Mapping seminar, allowing organisations from Europe and the Southern Mediterranean countries to meet share and learn about each other's actions.

The Contact Making Seminar was organised by CCIVS and hosted by Solidarités Jeunesses Midi Pyrénées Citrus in France from the 8-14 December 2014.

This seminar was the first stage of the project, which allowed organisations to meet, share and learn about each other's actions and to map different actions taking place in the EU and Southern Mediterranean countries and was facilitated by Laura Drielsma (JAVVA) and Valerie Mouton (SCI).

The second stage of the project Contact 2 Participation consisted in a study visits taking the form of staff exchanges among the partners. This activity permitted one representative of an organisation to go and visit another during up to 5 days, allowing a better understanding of new methodologies in youth work in order to adapt them and implement these practices within the local context.

Following a decrease in exchanges with Southern Mediterranean countries, CCIVS members proposed to implement actions in order to build new partnerships and promote a greater cooperation in the region.

Between March 2015 and August 2015, ten staff exchanges took place, involving fourteen partner organisations in the project. During the evaluation meeting, the two first days were dedicated to the staff exchange, reviewing them, evaluating them and giving recommendations for future staff exchanges.

The objectives of the staff exchange were:

- » To get to know better each organisation in their local context;
- » To give new ideas for innovative practices;
- » To develop further projects with confidence on reliable partners.

An Evaluation meeting provided a space to reflect on the different activities implemented and to work towards the next steps. Hosted by IDare in Jordan from the 25-31 May 2015 and facilitated by Laura Drielsma (JAVVA), Valerie Mouton (SCI) and Iyad Aljaber (IDARE).

The event allowed to evaluate all the phases of the project and to review the mapping shared in the first seminar.

It gave an overview of the impact of this project, on the promoters and the benefits for the young people reached by this project (youth workers, young participants in different activities, interaction with local communities)

The group worked on follow up actions one of which was implemented by CCIVS in 2016. (See Contact 2 participation – Raising Peace)



This project led to the proposal of a follow up project which continued in 2016.

www.ccivs.org/contact2participation

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Representatives of different IVS networks met together in 2014 and decided to create a proposal for a Freedom of Movement Campaign. This proposal was validated by 4 international networks, CCIVS, SCI, NVDA and Alliance and the following statement was issued:

The Coordinating Committee for International Voluntary Service (CCIVS), Service Civil International (SCI), the Alliance of European Voluntary Service organisations and Network for Voluntary Development Asia (NVDA) believe in a just world without discrimination where all people can fully enjoy their Human Rights including freedom of movement. We strive for a world in which every citizen has the opportunity to participate actively in the construction of a just global society. We consider that we should work towards a more inclusive society, campaigning widely against laws which restrict movement across the world. We strongly believe that our ability to join forces for the implementation of the Freedom of Movement Campaign will bring more power to our movement so that together we can change the situation regarding freedom of movement and active global citizenship

Our vision:

‘A society which allows freedom of movement in which all members without distinction are empowered to exercise active citizenship’

(White Paper for International Voluntary Service 2011-2021)

We call on IVS organisations and networks to:

- » Include the information about the Campaign in info-sheets,
- » Implement special planned activities and workshops in workcamps,
- » Organise an activity to promote freedom of movement in your countries
- » Campaign for freedom of movement in your countries at local and national levels.

In 2016 during a Study Session hosted by the Council of Europe in the European Youth Centre, a proposal was made to make the Freedom of Movement campaign into a specific advocacy action with an action plan for its implementation and a Position Paper to show the position of the IVS networks involved. This document is currently in the validation processes and will be made available in early 2017.

[**www.ccivs.org/freedomofmovement**](http://www.ccivs.org/freedomofmovement)



CCIVS Actions on Climate Change

2015 might have been a historical year for the future of human beings since COP21 on Climate Change in Paris has approved the ambitious global goals. The IVS networks have been actively working on this issue through the voluntary service projects, seminars and campaigns and as a result created a common campaign to work together named “IVS against Climate Change”. During the GMIVS (Global Leader Meeting of International Voluntary Service networks) in France, a common declaration was drafted: <https://ivsagainstclimatechange.wordpress.com/2015/05/22/30/>

CCIVS created a special blog where different networks can share their campaigns and impact, www.ccivs.org/ivsagainstclimatechange aims to share information about each of the activities run by the different networks involved such as World Tanabata Action by CCIVS and NVDA, Vision 2 Action by CCIVS, Sustainability Campaign by ALLIANCE and Climate 4 Peace by SCI.

IVS against Climate Change focuses on working on grassroots projects with local communities across the world. Local organisations use non formal education to work on themes surrounding Climate Change, sustainability, water, right to food and housing, soil preservation amongst others. Each of these organisations belong to one or several of the IVS networks and unite under the common banner of IVS against Climate Change in order to have a stronger voice and to advocate together.

The results to date of the common initiative are:

- » Global leader meetings of the international networks to discuss the content and continuation of the initiative;
- » A statement on the position of the IVS

- networks to the COP 21;
- » A map of actions in 2015 and sharing of different initiatives by the networks in 2016 in an online blog;
- » CCIVS Coordination and participation in an initiative with the NGO-UNESCO Liaison committee to create a working group on Climate Change;
- » On 2015 Oct. 6th in Paris, CCIVS initiated to make a Common Declaration on Climate Change by the NGO-UNESCO Liaison Committee together with the representatives of 70 IVS NGOs/ Networks and UNESCO related NGOs from 26 countries. NGO-UNESCO Liaison Committee common declaration
- » Presentations made about the Campaign in the COP21 NGO space;
- » Sharing of the Campaign on the UNESCO Green Citizens platform: IVS against Climate Change

The future plans include improving the impact and diffusion of information about the activities, developing a new webpage with more updated information about the projects developed by the networks. A continuation of projects by each network focusing on environmental needs, health, poverty reduction and Climate Change; more advanced training for the members of the networks inviting experts in the field of permaculture, bioconstruction and alternative farming techniques; greater advocacy and campaigning actions and continuing to work with volunteers and local communities to raise awareness on the different issues tackled.

FOR MORE INFORMATION

[IVS against Climate Change](#)

[CCIVS Twitter](#)

[NGO-UNESCO Liaison Committee common declaration](#)





World Tanabata Action

Global common action to stop climate change by planting trees, etc. and writing “my action” on Tanzaku papers

This is a global common action to stop climate change by 1) Planting trees (or doing other actions to decrease CO₂ emissions), 2) Study and discussion on the climate change issue and 3) Writing “my action” to decrease CO₂ emissions on the pieces of “Tanzaku” papers. Tanzaku papers are globally collected and exhibited in the international meeting such as the UNESCO Conference, the COP of Bio-diversity.

The action was started in 2008 in the occasion of the G8 Summit in Japan to show the voices and actions from the people all over the world. It has been co-organized by CCIVS, NVDA and NICE and promoted with many NGOs and people of all over the world. Till now, 29 NGOs in 24 countries have reported the actions which planted 822,831 trees, collected 15,882 tanzaku papers and involved 21,427 participants.

Tanabata is a Japanese old custom from the old, romantic tale and people write wishes on the Tanzaku papers and hang them on the bamboo trees in the night of 7th July every year!

Aims

Improve the situation of climate change all together by;

- » Decreasing CO₂ emissions by direct, practical actions such planting trees
- » Raising awareness among the people on the climate change issue
- » Promoting cooperation on the climate change issue among NGOs and people

Activities in 2015-16

The actions kept exploring great possibilities in the international voluntary service movement to develop the environmental work, to involve people which have never been touched by ways and to raise recognition from the other stakeholders. The action is very simple, visible, timely, concrete and beneficial, so should be promoted more strongly by collective work in the movement. Special Facebook page: <https://www.facebook.com/WorldTanabataAction>. Here are the brief reports from 5 countries and there are some more countries such as Indonesia (GREAT) and Myanmar (COM) that has made actions.

China (DWC)

In DreamWalker China's workcamp. The volunteers, Japanese and Chinese teens, together with local villagers from rural village in Conghua, foraged and harvested local ingredients and prepared a sustainable dinner!

Japan (NICE)

The international workcamp in Yoshinogawa (Jul. 22-28, volunteers from Japan, Taiwan, Italy, UK, Russia and many local people!). They did an action during the Yoshino river festival.

Thailand (VSA)

Planting trees in the Padad Community, Maejam, Chiangmai, Thailand with 19 international volunteers and villagers.

Cambodia (CYA)

SCC (Stop Climate Change) volunteers from Indonesia and Cambodia created a campaign in a school located nearby the Pagoda Pro Pnum in Cambodia. The campaign is about climate change and waste management such as how to sort the garbage.

Mexico (VIVE)

SCC (Stop Climate Change) volunteers organized environmental workshops for local students and the general public to promote environmental awareness! Join us! Plant trees, write your actions against climate change on Tanzaku paper, or increase environmental awareness!

Stop Climate Change (SCC)

Special projects to decrease green gas emissions that the pairs of volunteers serve for 3 months in each country

IVS has been creating unique and valuable impact to prevent climate change, not only by the work to plant/ grow trees and other carbon reducing actions, but also by spreading collective and simple, low carbon life, networking people and organisations, raising awareness and promoting further actions among local people and international volunteers. However, in spite of great achievement, strength and potential, further growth of IVS projects and common action is disturbed by the following challenges;

Lack of Networking Opportunities: Collaboration among NGOs and also between NGOs and companies/ governments/ universities is not much enough. B) Lack of Capacity in NGOs: There are huge potential on both places needing volunteers and volunteers interested, but not many enough projects are organized due to lack of funding and qualified human resources for the coordinating bodies. C) Lack of Tools and Data: Proper methodologies/ data/ presentation of impact for carbon reduction among NGOs is missing.

So, in order to dramatically increase the impact for carbon reduction as well as strengthen volunteerism and management of NGOs, SCC (global voluntary service to Stop Climate Change) has been created and organized by CCIVS, NICE and NVDA, financially supported by the UPS Foundation, in cooperation with ALLIANCE, 8 member NGOs of CCIVS and many organisations and people in 9 counties of 4 continents.

Aims

- » Reducing carbon emission, raising awareness of youth and locals and empowering NGOs



VIVE Mexico



CYA Cambodia

Activities and Impact

Special Facebook page; <https://www.facebook.com/GVStoStopClimateChange/>

The project started with the Kick Off Conference in Kampot, Cambodia hosted by CYA from 2016 Jan. 29th to Feb. 3rd where 4 Project Coordinators (Kai – CCIVS Treasurer, Julie – NVDA Secretariat, Vicky – CCIVS Director and Laura - LEGAMBIENTE staff) and 6 organizers of Partner NGOs designed the project details and shared the visions, practices and methodologies to measure and decrease the carbon emission through IVS projects. They also planted mangrove seedlings and discussed with the community leaders who have been protecting the forests through the plantation and eco-tourism while the area has been seriously destroyed by the huge port construction done by the company, the government and the inter-government

Then, 9 Special Volunteers from 8 countries are working in 10 Special Projects in 9 countries hosted by NICE, RUCHI, VIVE, CYA, GREAT, SJV, LEG, VWAN and VIN for 6 months from 2016 May to Oct.

Volunteer 1	Volunteer 2	May-Jul.	Aug-Oct.
Japan	India	Japan (Bamboo maintenance)	India (Water resource protection)
Cambodia	Indonesia	Cambodia (Mangrove protection)	Indonesia (Mangrove protection)
Mexico	Japan	Mexico (Land conservation)	Japan (Lake & forest protection)
Italy	-	Vietnam (Organic, home garden)	Italy (Organic, home garden)
Nigeria	-	Nigeria (Perma-culture gardening)	-
Nepal	-	Nepal (Agro forestry)	-

Coordinators and Volunteers have been actively communicating through the skype talk, Facebook message groups and monitoring visits to share visions, know-how (including the calculator of CO₂ emission during the workcamp offered by Legambiente), achievement, difficulties and so on.

There have been a lot of great impact such as;

- » Reducing carbon emission directly by the work of planting trees, etc. with involving many local people
- » Measuring and reducing carbon emission of life and transportation of the projects
- » Raising awareness and promoting actions on environmental protection among volunteers and locals
- » Organizing weekend/ short term/ midterm workcamps as the project leaders.
- » Networking local NGOs and their projects in the same theme internationally through the volunteers
- » Other general impact of IVS such as peace building, inter-cultural exchange, personal development, etc.

There will be the Final Meeting of Special Volunteers in Tokyo, Japan hosted by NICE from 2016 Nov. 1st to 5th and also the Final Conference of Partner NGO organizers in Morocco hosted by UMAC from Nov. 22nd to 26th where the results will be shared and the further strategies and action plans will be created. One of the challenges is how to start and develop carbon offset projects from 2017, firstly within the IVS networks.

Here are just some highlights of the Special Projects and for more details, see

- » <https://goo.gl/PBnKvq>
- » <https://goo.gl/k6BgoA>
- » <https://goo.gl/oUwi3X>

Activities and Impact around the World

Italy

Eboli in Campania region

Irene and the local volunteers made a tour of the beach clubs to promote recycling and build toys from recycle materials for kids! She then started an international workcamp to teach the refugees about gardening and also the Italian language. They also started a campaign in the protected area to attract more tourists and local people! They then participated in ALLIANCE's "Let's Root for Peace" and planted the first vegetables in the refugees' garden, after having played some games about climate change and integration!

India

Patta in Himachal Pradesh state

In August, India, Ai and Singh, together with international volunteers, were planting meditational trees (*Azadirachta indica* and *Phyllanthus embolic*) and edible vegetables such as broccoli and cabbage in the green house. They also help clear out some weeds and did eco and sustainable life skills training, CO₂ emission study, and water shade management study. They did nature tour, participated in sports and educational activities in the local school, and also raised public awareness about the environment and organic agriculture.

Mexico

Humecuaró's Lake in Michoacan state.

Mariana and Yoriko planted trees and created beautiful signs to remind people that the land and trees should be protected and that cows are not allowed to graze here. They had a workshop with the locals and shared ideas about sustainability and recycling! The locals were very creative, but also depend on a lot of the agriculture. It was an amazing workshop and the volunteers work especially with women in the community! They had also workshop with the indigenous children and made T-bags together!

Nigeria

Gberefu village, Badagry-Lagos

Lawal worked at a permaculture forest garden. In the past the region was completely covered by rainforest, but due to the massive logging, poaching, slash-and-burn clearance and overgrazing, most of the original natural rainforest is gone and the wildlife is gradually disappearing. Due to the weather conditions, the farm hut is damaged. He mainly worked for reconstruction and renovation of the broken farm hut and facilitating climate change awareness within the community.

Nepal

Okhaldhunga in Everest region

Sabin and VIN trained 84 farmers about agro-forestry and provided 260 kg of organic seeds to them. Due to the strong rain, many nurseries had been destroyed, so he was working hard in helping the farmers. SCC volunteers actively exchanged the ideas for solution from their practice through their Facebook chatting group. He also organized environmental education, made nursery and planted 15 types of fruits, attended the goats and built their shelter and planted trees along the road to prevent soil erosion together with volunteers and locals.

Japan

Onuma lake in Hokkaido prefecture

Yoriko and Mariana are leading two short term workcamps (2 weeks) and one midterm workcamp (8 weeks) to protect Onuma lake and the surrounding forests by making the rafts with reeds to absorb nutrition, putting rocks and soils to protect the shores and removing alien trees to recover bio diversity. They will move to Minamata in Kyushu island in Oct. after a few days of stay in Tokyo to study carbon offset. They will cut bamboo trees and make the charcoals that will be used as fuel instead of oil.

Cambodia

Trapaing Sangke Fishing community in Kampot province

Nat and Lutfi created eco-cooler with the volunteers from Hong Kong by using recycled bottles!

During their stay, there was a protest from the villagers because a large corporation had destroyed and removed some mangroves near the village. It was heart-breaking for the volunteers and the local villagers, but we will not give up! This morning, we planted around 500 mangroves trees altogether!

Indonesia

Pekalongan in Central Java

Nat and Lutfi cultivated almost 600 mangroves with the people of Pusat Informasi Mangrove (PIM). They were also invited to be guest speakers in a workshop organised by PIM and spread about their achievements in Cambodia. Then, a national TV Station came to PIM to make a documentary about the area. Lutfi and Nat were invited to talk and share about the SCC project and the important mangrove function in an ecosystem!

Vietnam

Ho Chi Minh city

Irene basically stayed in the home garden in the city where a social business group of young people are promoting natural farming to the schools, houses and working places of the city. The garden has a restaurant that cooks only organic food and uses the vegetables and fruits from the garden!. She also joined a workcamp about eco-tourism to help growing plants and flowers and to develop new ideas for eco-tourism in the village! She finally worked with an expert on worm compost where they fed the worms with organic waste and cowpat.

Global Leaders Meeting of IVS networks (GMIVS)

Platform facilitated by CCIVS where 10 different networks/ international NGOs of international voluntary service gather!

Though International Voluntary Service (IVS) NGOs and their networks have been working strongly and created huge impact in various levels and types since 1920, the movement is not powerful yet compared with its potential. One of the reasons may be due to lack of effective and strong cooperation among the networks. Numbers of networks have been created since late 1990s with regionalisation of the world, but many of them are facing difficulties and become inactive. Some major networks have not cooperated nor even communicated well enough and kept working separately in the different ways.

Externally, the movement has been threatened by the “competitors” such as volun-tourism companies and governmental agencies even though they have some different roles and also become partners in some cases. The movement has a lot of space to develop research, PR and advocacy together as one.

Global leaders Meeting of IVS networks (GMIVS) was proposed and approved in the General Assembly of CCIVS in 2004 and realised by initiation of the President and the EC team of CCIVS in 2006 Feb. 13 networks/ NGOs have joined and worked together in various aspects such as creation and promotion of Guidelines of Inter-regional Volunteers Exchange and White Paper.

CCIVS coordinates the implementation of this and an event which takes place at least once a year.

Aims

- » Promote friendship, mutual understanding and solidarity among all the networks
- » Improve and develop ourselves by sharing know-how and supporting each other's initiatives
- » Create global (external) common actions and improve visibility and recognition of the IVS movement

Activities in 2015-16

It is an important moment to share the situation of the different IVS networks and to see how we can cooperate more effectively for a greater impact. The last two years have seen the creation of common statistics and agreements including the implementation of common campaigns such as the Raising Peace campaign, IVS against Climate Change and Freedom of Movement – the signatories to these campaigns coordinated by CCIVS are SCI, NVDA and ALLIANCE.

All of 3 meetings were productive and peaceful thanks to the efforts of the hosts and all the representatives. When the GMIVS was started in 2006, the networks had longer distance to each other, so it was meaningful to know each other more, now we are having many common campaigns and actions toward the common goals after 10 years!



8th GMIVS

It was held in Beaumotte, France in 2015 Feb. 20th -21st hosted by CCIVS/ SJ right before the Executive Committee Meeting of CCIVS.

16 representatives from 6 networks (ALLIANCE, CCIVS, ICYE, NVDA, SCI and WAVAN) joined.

The main topics and outcomes were;

- » Sharing situations and best practices of each network (projects and campaigns, membership, finance, etc.)
- » Common declaration on Peace and Human Rights (Agreed after discussion and modification of the draft!)
- » Common campaigns for the IVS movement (“IVS against Climate Change” was created here!)
- » Common statistics and Impact of IVS (The very first global statistics was made and presented here!)
- » Global LMTV Meetings (4 networks confirmed to keep making it together with some new criterias!)

Based on the action plan mainly for IVS against Climate Change, the following meeting in a small team was organised in the CCIVS Office, 5 representatives from 4 networks (ALLIANCE, CCIVS, NVDA and SCI) has shared information and practice and made some common actions/ collaborations common declaration, the CCIVS’s blog, the exhibition at the COP21, etc. They also had a fruitful meeting with UNESCO official (Man and Biosphere programme)

9th GMIVS

It was held in Paris, France hosted by CCIVS/ SJ right after the Conference of CCIVS.

13 representatives from 5 networks (ALLIANCE, CCIVS, NVDA, SCI and WAVAN) joined.

The main topics and outcomes were;

- » Sharing situations and best practices of each network (projects and campaigns, membership, finance, etc.)
- » Common campaigns (IVS against Climate Change, Raising Peace, Freedom of Movement, etc.)
- » Global LMTV Meetings, Impact and Statistics (updated the info. And discussed on further strategies)
- » Future plans and perspectives for GMIVS (the next one was decided to be done in Barcelona in 2016 Jun.)

10th GMIVS

It was held in Masnou (near Barcelona), Catalunya/ Spain hosted by SCI during final event of the GLOVOLA project.

13 representatives from 4 networks (ALLIANCE, CCIVS, NVDA and SCI) joined.

The main topics and outcomes were;

- » Sharing situations and best practices of each network (Projects and campaigns, membership, finance, etc.)
- » Exchange of volunteers (the number of vols. are decreasing in these years in ALLIANCE and SCI while the age range and LMTVs are increasing. The number in NVDA remains stable while the projects are increasing. SCI and NVDA had training on PR/ communication. The small follow up team was created.)
- » Impact and statistics (after SJ’s impact survey was presented, the needs to keep working together was agreed as well as the statistics that will include national volunteers in their own projects in the next data).
- » Common campaigns (many networks are now focusing the refugees and immigrants issue, so it was proposed and agreed to have a common meeting in ALLIANCE General Conference.)
- » Global LMTV Meetings (the next meeting in France. 2016 Nov. was designed.)

Global LMTV Meeting (GLMTV)

The only place where IVS NGOs can globally share the practice and develop partnership on Long and Mid Term Voluntary service!

More IVS NGOs are organising projects/ exchanging volunteers of LMTV (Long/ Middle Term Voluntary service) in these years while the common working system has not been as well established as short term workcamps, we need to develop it together to improve the quality of the projects and the volunteers experience. However their are rare occasions to meet, to meet mainly because most of participants in the meetings of different networks are in charge of short term workcamps as the main activities for many NGOs.

CCIVS has initiated GLMTV (Global LMTV Meeting) with NVDA (Network for Voluntary Development in Asia), ALLIANCE (ALLIANCE of European Voluntary Service Organisations) and SCI (Service Civil International). There have been 5 times of the meetings every year since 2010 where many CCIVS members actively joined and worked together.

1. Germany in 2010 Mar. 02 with 52 pax (38 NGOs in 24 countries) hosted by VJF.
2. Vietnam in 2011 Apr. 06-10 with 20 pax (12 NGOs in 9 countries) hosted by VPV.
3. India in 2012 Feb. 10-14 with 22 pax (14 NGOs in 10 countries) hosted by FSL.
4. Slovakia in 2013 Mar. 04-08 with 21 pax (19 NGOs in 17 countries) hosted by INEX.
5. Thailand in 2014 Jan. 21-25 with 21 pax (12 NGOs in 15 countries) hosted by VSA.

Aims

Develop LMTV projects in the world to achieve peaceful, fair & sustainable world by;

- » Sharing practice and making tools to improve the qualities of Projects and Volunteers
- » Developing the projects to maximize the positive and minimize the negative impact
- » Strengthen partnership among different NGOs and their networks

Activities in 2015-16

6th Global LMTV Meeting It was held in Tournai, Belgium in 2015 Feb. 23rd -27th hosted by SVI and 22 participants from 16 NGOs (including 7 CCIVS members) in 13 countries joined. The main topics and outcomes were;

- » Sharing volunteers management including a case study on terrible situations
- » Lecture on how to make the projects to be granted by Erasmus plus of the European Commission
- » Special Meeting with the Ministry President of Belgium's French Speaking part/ Major of Tournai
- » It was a productive meeting thanks to the efforts of the host and all the participants, e.g.,
- » Participants could share their practices and consolidate/ create partnership with other NGOs.
- » LMTVs and IVS could get great recognition in the political level through the above mentioned meeting
- » Some new NGOs for IVS came from Mauritania and Belarus that'd start IVS with us near future!

There were also some challenges;

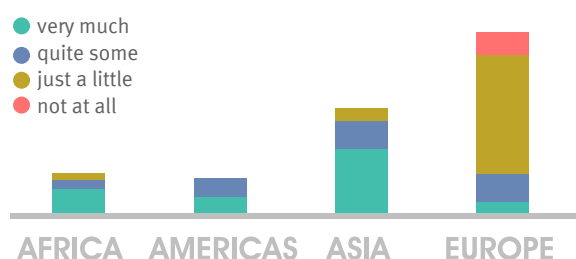
- » We lacked coordinators and participants from European side due to some circumstances

Survey of the Global LMTV Meeting

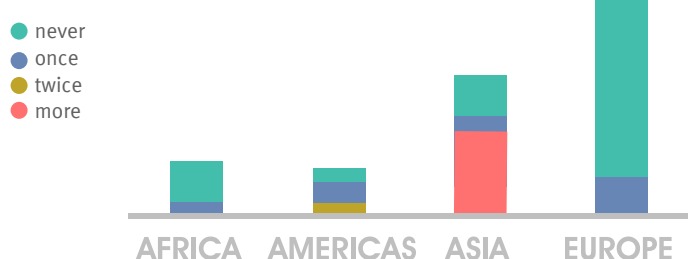
In order to clarify the need and interest of GLMTV and to organise it in the most useful way, CCIVS together with NVDA, Alliance and SCI took the common initiative to send a short questionnaire in 62 NGOs in 39 countries replied. The main results are;

- 1) GLMTV needs to be known more in Europe (78% know little or nothing) while others especially Africa know well.
- 2) 60% has never joined. Asia has been the most active region (61% joined 3 times or more) and then, Americas.
- 3) Those who joined are highly satisfied (88% chose very or some).
- 4) Many Europe (52% chose little or not at all) while 89% of others chose very or some.
- 5) Expectation is quite the same (Sharing and Networking IVS are the main expectations for IVS NGOs)
- 6) Funding is the biggest barrier especially in Africa & Americas while Time & HR is also issue in Europe.
- 7) November (53%) can gather majority, then Mar. (45%), Oct. (37%), Feb. (27%).

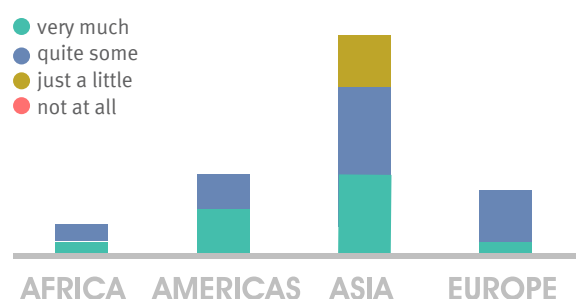
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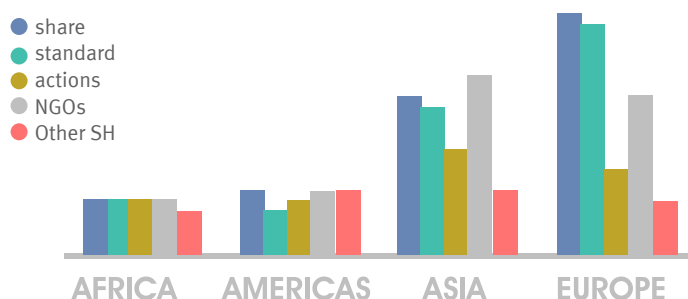
Has your organisation joined any GLMTV?



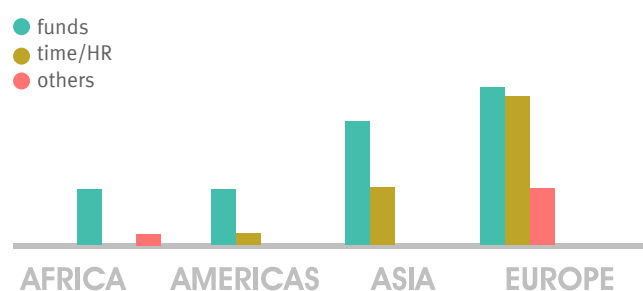
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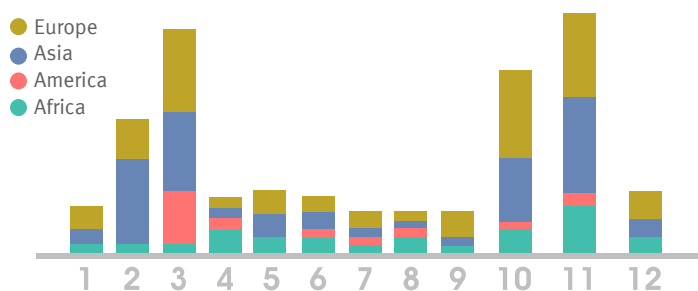
What do you expect from the meeting?



What are the biggest barriers to join GLMTV?



When is the good time for the GLMTV?



Some of the positive comments to the past results

- » Very interesting and potentially useful. Contacts with the others, raise quality, deep talk that cannot be done in TM (Technical Meeting of Short terms workcamps).
- » Chance to discuss directly with the partners and have a feedback about our projects both incoming and outgoing.
- » Share information and ideas, meet with people directly and communicate more intensively.
- » Emergence of common action/ Education on better planning and build a better network/ Common standards
- » Discussions on bilateral issues at a global level bringing many networks together are inspiring.

Some of the negative comments to the past results

- » Lack of follow-up (e.g., we decided to have a working group in our network, but we didn't know how).
- » Lack of time to go further into interesting topics.
- » Sometimes I felt too long and same contents repetitive in each meeting. Until now, there is no official global standard
- » It is hard to create systems that will work for many different types of PO and sizes of countries.
- » The dates are different from the TM. The airplane tickets are expensive if you have to travel in different dates of the year.

7th Global LMTV Meeting

It will be held in Beaumotte, France in 2016 hosted by SJ and 25 participants from 20 NGOs (including 17 CCIVS members) in 20 countries are expected join. The main topics will be sharing the practice of and strategies toward EVS as well as LMTVs.

CCIVS DAY

Since 2014 CCIVS has implemented CCIVS DAY next to the Technical Meeting of the Alliance, this rich opportunity brings together over 60 representatives from diverse organisations across the world - members and non-members of CCIVS. CCIVS day is an important moment of exchange and reflection. As a midway point between two General Assemblies of the network it provides the space to reflect on the actions implemented and to make proposals towards the next General Conference and Assembly.



MEMBER'S ACTIVITIES

Report for Mediterranean and Middle East platform

Thanks to the Meda programme CCIVS has been able to gather some (potential) members from Europe, the Mediterranean and Middle East area. This has definitely created new synergies and gave CCIVS the opportunity to strengthen ties between members. As a result of the 2015 MEDA project a follow-up was created which included a training on anti-radicalisation and nonviolent communication, grassroots activities aimed at implementing some activities developed during the training. Also the conference prior to the CCIVS GA will focus on the role of the international voluntary service movement within the context of radicalisation and violent ideologies. The fact that the GC and GA are taking place in a Maghreb country is an opportunity to address the topic with a broad range of stakeholders from the Mediterranean region and to connect with (potential) members to discuss possible strategies and future activities. The current conflicts in the region have an effect on the exchange of volunteers but as IVS organisations we need to find ways to counteract this backdrop in exchange and to promote understanding and dialogue also in times when it's difficult to work in the region. A positive note is that CCIVS welcomes a new member in Bahrein. Good Word Society has been running a WHV camp for a few years now and is eager to promoting international volunteering in Bahrein.

Report for Americas

Over the last two years many organisations from the Americas have joined CCIVS projects, mainly CCIVS and ICYE members, there was a strong participation in the Vision2Action project which united organisations from Argentina, Colombia, Honduras, Costa Rica, Peru, Mexico and USA. There has also been an interest in the Raising Peace campaign with camps being implemented in Mexico and Argentina. During CCIVS Day in 2015 and 2016 many representatives of Latin American organisations participated from the above countries and including Ecuador.

CCIVS maintains a Focal point position for the Americas led by the EC members BVBP, Peru; in 2016 however, there were some changes in the person responsible and as such this led to difficulties in implementing follow-up in the region.

CCIVS is planning to implement further actions in Latin America in 2017 and continue to try to increase exchange in this part of the world which has seen a downturn in the last 20 years with only 6% of workcamps in the IVS movement being organised here. There are however, many organisations working very hard on a day to day basis on a local level and many long and mid-term volunteering opportunities also exist.

Report for Africa Report

Activities of the African Regional Platform organizations (consisting of the Sub-regional Network in the West - WAVAN, East – EAVS and South- SAWC of Africa) within the 2 years (2014 – 2016) has been on the collective effort of partners implementing diverse local, national and global projects in the Continent. The different actions and campaigns tagged NICO philosophy were geared towards Networking, Integration, Co-operation and explore various available Opportunities to implement global campaigns of immense benefits to the larger society. Thus, the partners in the region assiduously engaged in several projects including Local Workcamps, ERASMUS + and Key Action2 - KA2 programmes that gave concerns to nation building and community development. In spite of the noticeable exchange challenges, partners mustered enough courage and efforts to achieve optimum result for the years.

Membership and partnership

Better World Cameroon (BWC) has applied for CCIVS membership and graciously received consideration for final approval during the General Assembly in Morocco. As the Focal Point for Africa, so much support and encouragement was given to this new Partner to secure their application. Their in-coming will also assist the West African network to launch new projects.

Similarly, The South Africa Volunteer Work Camp Association (SAVWA) have applied for membership and Zimbabwe Workcamps Association (ZWA) re-submitting their application for registration with CCIVS Network. It is envisioned, the entrant of this new partner will invoke pro-activeness in several activities connected to the Southern Region of Africa

Challenges

Need to mention that the low capacity issues within the Network have posed a challenge in addressing several complex exchange issues. The default of members to make up with the payment of mandatory 3 years of annual Affiliation dues has resulted in several partners being disaffiliated from the Network. Also the inadequate and obsolete infrastructure has not enabled some of our partners to meet up with online challenges and administrative demands.

Various government economic meltdown policies and low exchange of volunteers to the region has low impact on major programmes. Security threats and emergence terrorists attack in some part of the region also made the volunteer exchange a complex issue.

Nevertheless, the activities of the whole Networks continue in all the sub-regional networks and each of the Sectional Leaders of the Sub-Regional Network employed available resources at their disposal to ensure sustainability of various campaigns and Thematic Actions associated with actualization of the Vision of the Global Network.





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ALLIANCE TECHNICAL MEETING

The CCIVS has for the past few years participated in diverse actions of its Sister Networks, one such example is that of the Alliance Technical Meetings. Thanks to the invitation from Alliance CCIVS went to the TM hosted by HUJ in Armenia in 2015 and hosted by EstYES in Estonia in 2016

The TM provided an important space for CCIVS to share information about the common campaigns and different actions being developed through presentations on Alliance Day and by bilateral meetings with IVS organisations over the following days.

COUNCIL OF EUROPE - RE(MIX) SEMINAR

Zhuoling You, CCIVS Project Assistant participated in the Re(Mix) seminar during the 1 – 4 March in European Youth Centre, Strasbourg, France, organised by the European Youth Foundation (EYF) of the Council of Europe.

This seminar gathered 38 representatives from local and international NGOs. It was a great opportunity to have face-to-face exchanges with the EYF team and networking moments with external NGOs.

The objectives of the seminar were to:

- » Promote friendship, mutual understanding and solidarity among all the networks;
- » Receive feedback and share information on the work with the EYF's operational regulations, online system and website);
- » Gain awareness about the different situations organisations address with the support of the EYF;
- » Revitalize transparency and accountability between the EYF and youth organisations;
- » Achieve open and informal networking between representatives of international and local NGOs, as well as between the EYF team and the people running projects with EYF grants;
- » Share best practices concerning projects, for example how to integrate a gender perspective, how to ensure a good impact, etc.
- » Create a common understanding concerning the work plans and pilot activities supported by the EYF.

Event Video :

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=UeqKlsfLoLE&feature=youtu.be>



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NGO-UNESCO LIAISON COMMITTEE

CCIVS was elected at the end of 2014 to the NGO-UNESCO Liaison Committee, which represents the 380+ NGOs in formal relations of association with UNESCO. The CCIVS Director stands on the board and along with the CCIVS Team has been actively involved in many different actions implemented and in supporting to improve communication materials.

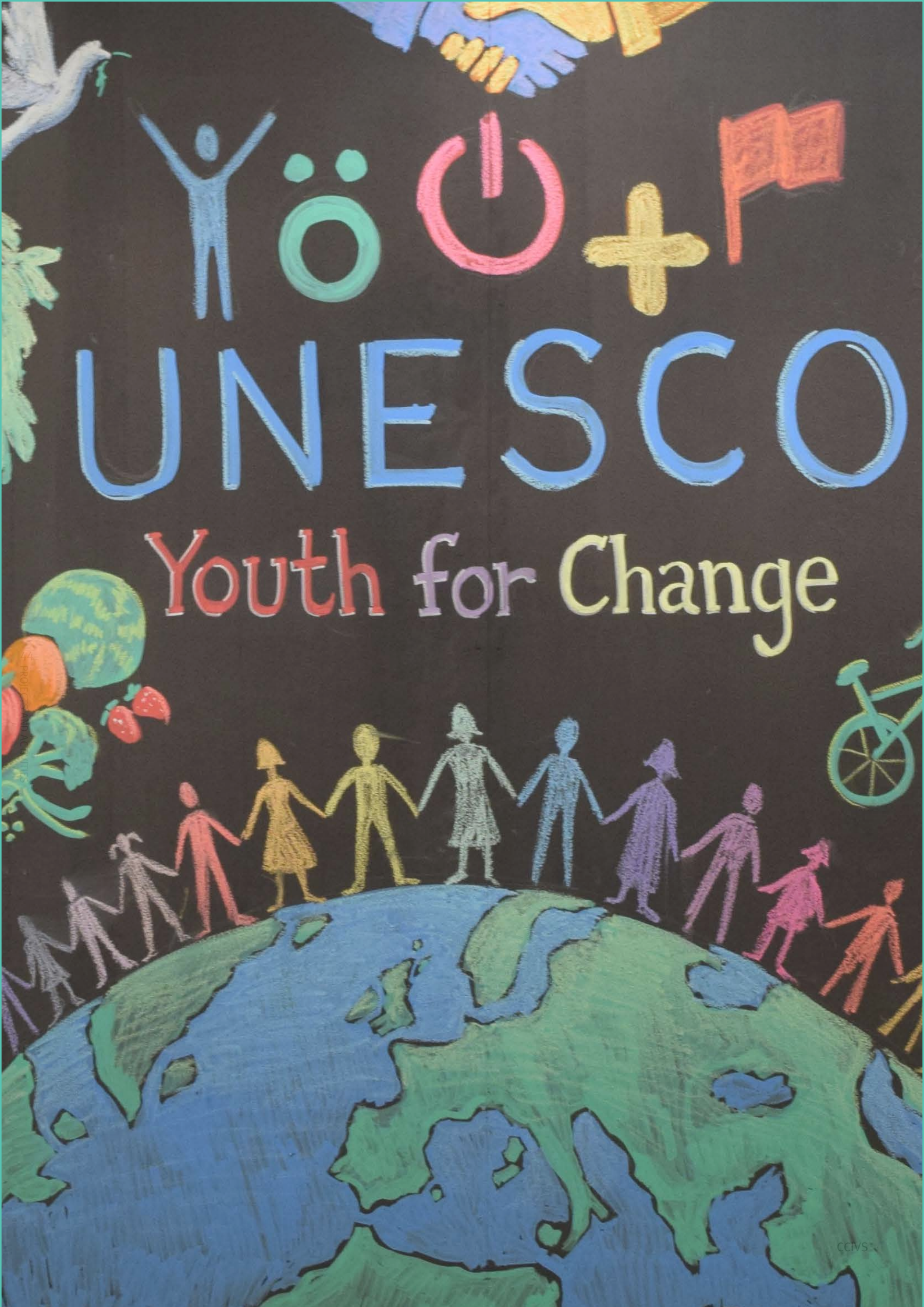
CCIVS led the working group on Climate Change in 2015 and implemented a NGO Action day on Climate Change which culminated in the drafting of a Declaration signed by over 100 NGOS. The results of this led to an invitation from UNESCO to host an NGO Day in the UNESCO Pavilion during the COP 21 where the Declaration was presented. CCIVS, SCI and Alliance also had the chance to present the IVS against Climate Change Campaign in the same space.

The CCIVS Director also participated in different visibility events and NGO-UNESCO Liaison committee meetings, including two outside of the UNESCO HQ; in Bulgaria hosted by the Sozopol Foundation from the 6 - 9 August participating in the Round Table for the 70 years celebration of UNESCO – ‘Peace through education, Science and Culture’ and in China hosted by China Folklore Photographic Association in Shangri’la for the Humanity Photo Awards 2015.

CCIVS continues to be very active during 2016 acting as a co-lead for the implementation of a Forum on Climate Change organised by UNESCO and the NGO-UNESCO Liaison Committee due to take place in September 2016.

Declaration:

http://www.ngo-unesco.net/en/pdf/EN_Declaration6OctoberNGOagainstCC.pdf



UNESCO

Youth for Change

UNESCO - YOUTH FORUM

CCIVS participated in the 9th UNESCO Youth Forum, which took place in Paris from the 26th to the 28th October 2015.

Under the frame of 'Young Global Citizens for a Sustainable Planet', the Forum brought together over 500 young women and men from all over the world to focus on issues related to Climate Change and the post-2015 Sustainable Development agenda.

During the three days of the Forum, CCIVS held a stand, promoting the International Voluntary Service movement and the network.

We made a photo gallery exhibition about the Vision 2 Action project, including four capacity building trainings and 31 interregional workcamps on environment and sustainability. Promotional materials of CCIVS members were displayed and we explained to young representations and institutional delegates from different countries about the mission and history of CCIVS and showcased the grass-root activities CCIVS members are implementing. We also introduced an overview of other campaigns and projects, such as the World Heritage Volunteers, Raising Peace, and Contact 2 Participation.

UNESCO GENERAL ASSEMBLY

The UNESCO General Assembly and 70 year celebrations took place in November 2016.

CCIVS was active in the NGO Space and made a presentation about ongoing campaigns and held a stand to promote the IVS movement



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UNION OF INTERNATIONAL ASSOCIATIONS

The Union of International Associations (UIA) holds a Round table every year in different parts of the world. The 3rd UIA Round Table Asia Pacific 2015 was held in Bangkok, between 29 and 30 September 2015. Rakesh Soans Vice President of CCIVS was invited to represent and talk on “crises and victory” of the network by giving a 20 minute presentation on the challenges of engaging, educating, and motivating volunteer workers world-wide.

On the second day CCIVS was asked to participate in a panel on «International associations: pioneering roles in society» and shared the space with organisations like Singapore Business federation on CSR initiatives and Associations Forum and UIA itself. The topic was interesting as each panel member introduced their organisation and shared how they represent their work and how each organisation pioneers in their area of work. The unique work of CCIVS was highlighted; that of coordinating different regional organisations to run campaigns in all parts of the world and the support from our members to mobilise youth for social cause.

CCIVS was then asked to moderate a small group discussion among other networks and associations to find out and highlight the pioneering factor of each organisation. On the whole it was a good opportunity for CCIVS to be recognised as a unique organisation working with youth and secondly, it was an event to network with many different and diverse groups representing networks and organisation who came to know more about CCIVS and the work we do.



TRAINING FOR TRAINERS

CCIVS Project Assistant Zhuoling was selected to take part in the Training for Trainers organised by the North-South Center (NSC) of the Council of Europe, as well as an online course on Global Education. This training course was part of the 16th University on Youth and Development and aimed to empower young people to further support the practice of Global Education (GE) based on NSC-GE methodology and programme and to develop competences of participants that are or will be actively involved in the implementation of the sister Universities.

Event info: www.universityuyd.com

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YOUTH ACADEMY

Zhuoling You Project Assistant of CCIVS was selected to participate in the Youth Academy organised by the European Youth Forum. It is an essential and one of the most highly valued parts of the European Youth Forum's support and services for its member organisations. The event took place from 28 June to 1 July in Paris, France, hosted by CNAJEP, the French National Youth Council. The 2016 edition has three main objectives: EMPOWERING, MOBILISING, CONNECTING!

The Youth Forum Academy ran for two days and a half and was structured various workshop session including:

- Anti-discrimination legislation (EU and national levels)
- Participation to sustainable development goals
- Internal communication
- Messaging
- Social media
- Quality standards for youth policy
- Lobbying for beginners
- Non-Formal Education Quality Assurance
- Youth participation



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EUROPEAN YOUTH FOUNDATION

CCIVS actively participated in the Info Session organized by the European Youth Foundation (EYF) of the Council of Europe (CoE) on 7th September 2015 and on 6th September 2016. These sessions were aimed at helping to better understand the application assessment and reporting processes and guidelines of the EYF. It was also the moment when we could have a face-to-face exchange with the EYF about the good practices we obtain during the implementation of the projects or the issues we might come across during the project management.

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European Agenda for Music

CCIVS and its contribution to the development of the European Agenda for Music

The European Music Council (EMC) contracted CCIVS to develop a communication and facilitation plan leading to the development of the European Agenda for Music. This strategic document is meant to give one voice to the music sector and to define both actions (providing internal direction) and advocacy (providing input for international institutions). It is also expected to reflect the relation between today's 'changing society' and the musical sector itself, to show its diversity and to valorise it, and, last but not least, to enable EMC to take a proactive approach, allowing its members to define their own needs and actions, thus bringing the sector where it wants to be or go. In this sense and to a certain extent, the Agenda is the equivalent of the White Paper on International Voluntary Service developed by CCIVS in 2011. As such, given their experience in developing the White Paper, CCIVS appointed Oriol Josa and Bogdan Imre to support the EMC in their endeavour to create the European Agenda for Music.

CCIVS provides contracted services to NGOs, institutions and businesses using non formal education methodology in order to support internal planning processes, training, and capacity building.

UNV - United Nations Volunteers

UNV (United Nations Volunteers)

CCIVS participated in the UNV (United Nations Volunteers) Partnerships Forum 'Revitalizing Partnerships: Volunteerism for the Sustainable Development Goals', which took place in October 2016. The event provided a platform to meet with representatives of international networks and organisations, from the UN system and with corporate donors.

During two days the work of UNV was highlighted and the importance of the working towards the 2030 UN Sustainable Development Goals was clearly underlined. The event provided an important space for networking for the CCIVS network with the aim of raising visibility about the contribution of IVS on a national and international level towards the achievement of the SDGs.

European Voluntary Forum

European Voluntary Forum in Slovenia From 10th to 14th October, the picturesque city of Maribor in Slovenia hosted the European Youth Forum, an interesting event organised by SALTO SEE with the support of the German, Italian, Slovenian, Spanish and Turkish Agencies for the Erasmus+ Programme. Mauro represented CCIVS at the meeting, taking also part in a "talk show" to present the activities carried on by our members of the IVS movement. The Forum, whose main objective was to raise visibility of transnational volunteering, proved to be an ideal setting to discuss about youth mobility in Europe and in the World in a historical perspective, starting with an overview of the history of IVS, illustrating its current status and trying to understand its role in the future. How could international volunteering be adapted to the challenges of tomorrow? What does Global Citizenship mean? Toward which aims, directions and objectives is IVS going today? These are only a few of the several points which were brought up during the discussions of the Forum, that ended up with a celebration in honour of the 20 years of the European Voluntary Service.

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3rd Human Rights Education Forum

CCIVS participated in the 3rd Human Rights Education Forum organised by the Council of Europe and held between 4th-8th of October in the European Youth Center of Budapest (Hungary).

The Forum was a big gathering of around 180 representatives of the Human Rights Education area, among which educators, public institutions representatives, foundations, etc.

During the 3 days of the Forum, participants worked together and debated about main themes to define the future years of Human Rights Education: from social challenges (raise of violent extremism, migrations, etc.), to strategic approaches (advocacy, activism, campaigns, communication,...) or sharing of good practices.

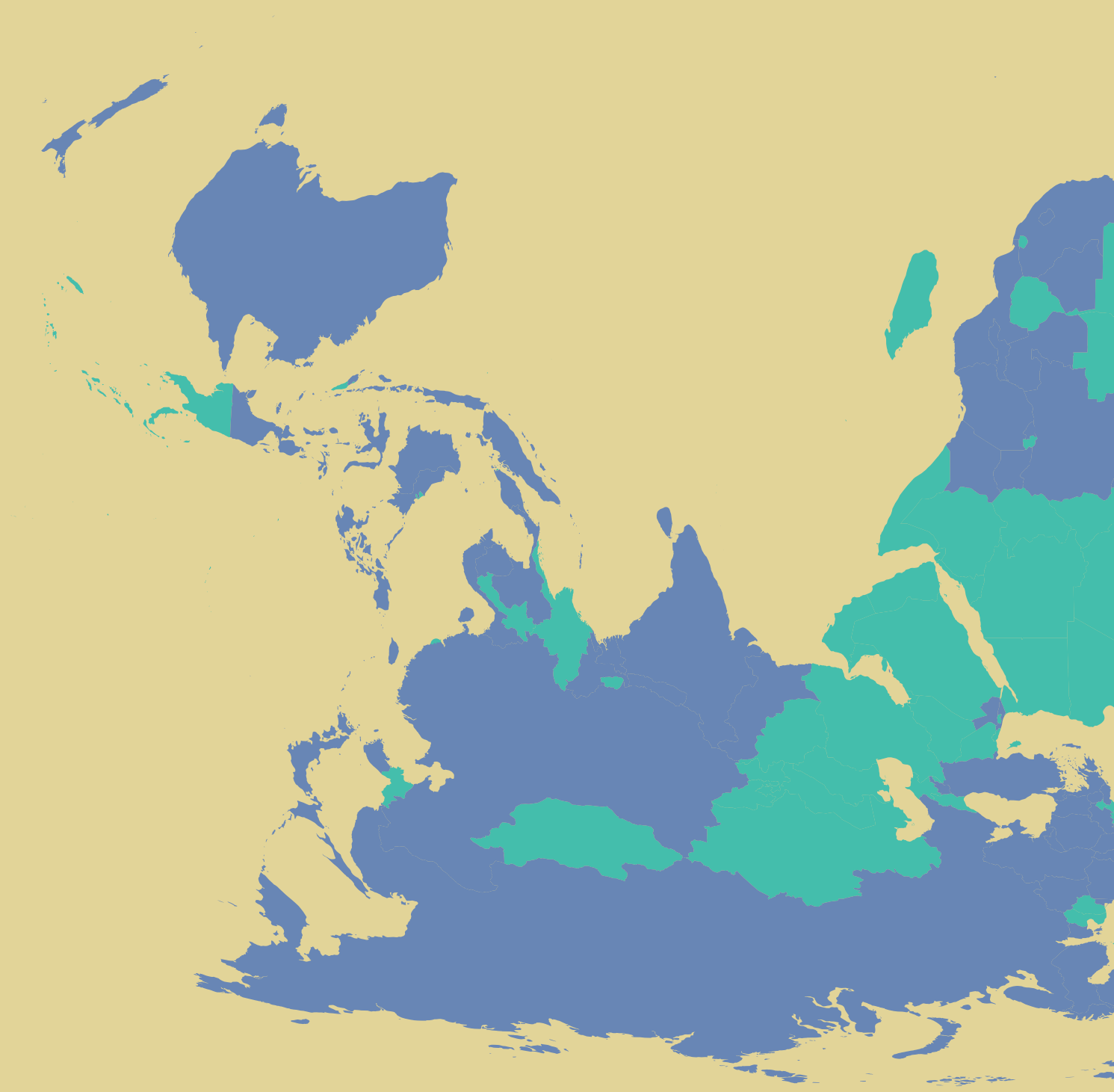
The Forum was also an interesting space to develop networking with many relevant professionals in the sector. Among them, several participants coming from CCIVS member organisations: SCI International, SCI Serbia, Egyesek, Alternative-V. From the CCIVS side, it was an opportunity to present the Raising Peace Campaign and to promote the Global Human Rights Week among the participants.

As one of the outcomes of the Forum, a common letter was approved to be sent to the European ministers meeting at the Council of Europe, to advocate for institutional to Human Rights in general and especially in Human Rights Education in the European Countries.

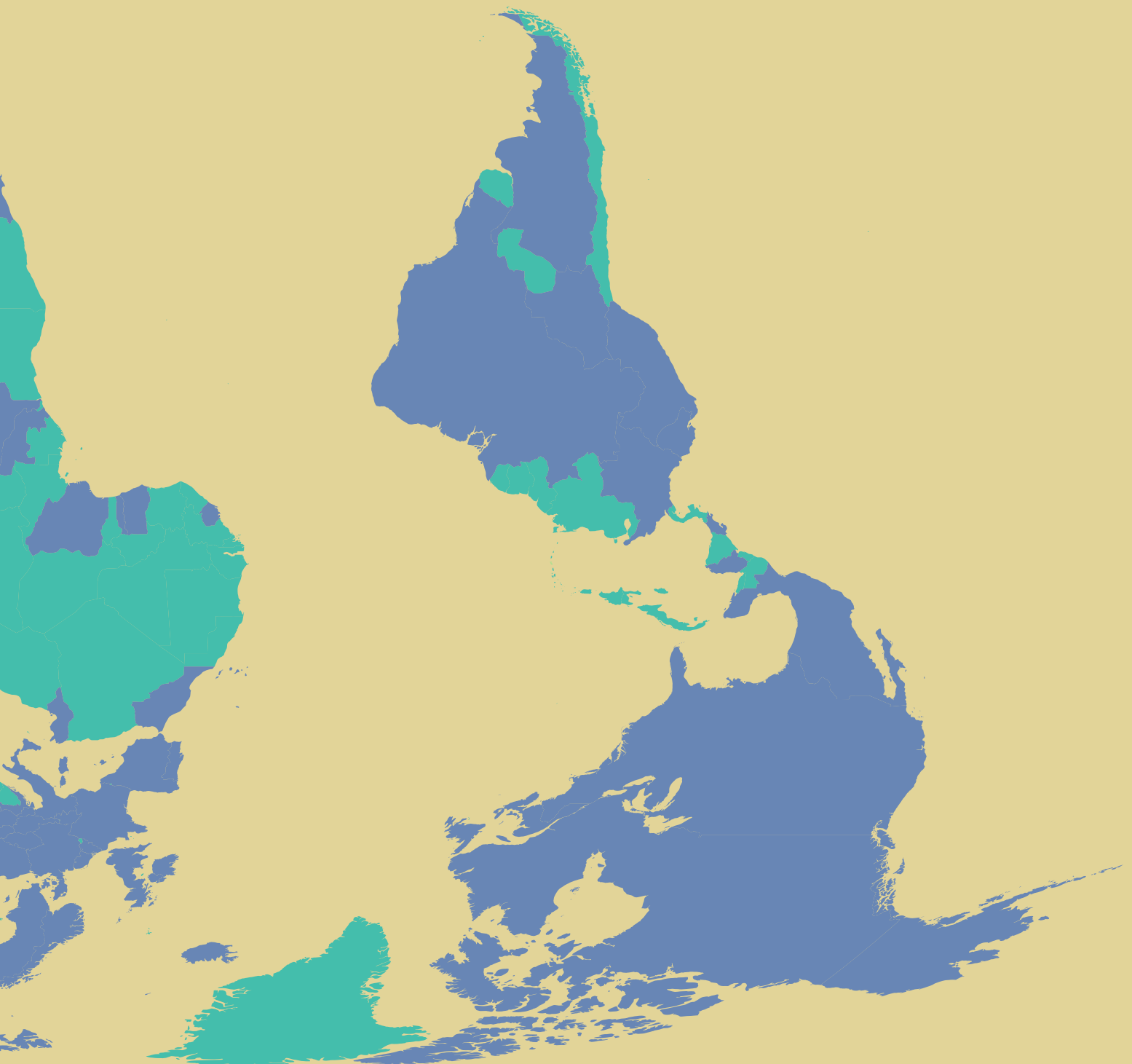


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► STRUCTURAL MANAGEMENT



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Meetings

2015

> ***EC1***

23-24 February
Beaumont, France

> ***Finances and General Purposes Meeting***

17-18 June
Paris, France

> ***EC2***

11-12 October
Paris, France

The composition of the EC shall ensure a proper continental and regional representation of the full member organisations of CCIVS. It meets at least once a year and is convened at the request of the President.

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2016

> **EC1**

9-11 March
Tallinn, Estonia

> **Finances and General Purposes Meeting**

20-21 June
Barcelona, Catalunya

> **EC1**

21-22 November
Bouznika, Morocco

* In EC 2 2016 The Representative for IWO changed to Jihyun Park
** In EC 2 2016 Kolawole Aganran became the Vice President for Empowerment and Support Measures
*** Replaced in 2016 by Jorge Galiano

THE CCIVS SECRETARIAT

The Secretariat is composed of the Director and other staff members who shall have an agreed fixed contract of employment.

The Director is responsible for smooth functioning of the Secretariat and reports to the EC and the President on implementation of the decision of the GA and EC. The Secretariat is responsible for the day-to-day administration of CCIVS, ensures liaison with the member organisations, direct the different services of the headquarters and assists member organisations in the fulfilment of any project or task which may be entrusted to them by the GA or the EC.



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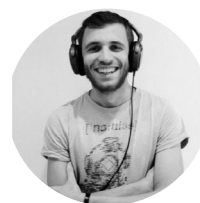
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07/09/2016 - 06/07/2017



Seunghee Oh (Amy)

01/10/2016-31/05/2016

Traineeship Exchange
Programme



Dino Tolijan

22/09/2014 - 21/03/2015



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16/03/2015 - 15/09/2015



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14/09/2015 - 19/03/2016



**Volunteers
(no programme)**



Justyna Zielonka

20/07/2015 - 25/09/2015



Barbara Rota Nodari

10/05/2015 - 01/03/2016



Jamel Ben Abdallah

01/03/2016 -

A special mention also to all of the Facilitators from the CCIVS members and project partners who joined the Secretariat in implementing the different actions throughout the two years, without whom it would have been impossible to implement the different actions.

COMMUNICATION

Members Directory

An online Directory with all contact details from CCIVS Members is available on the CCIVS website

http://ccivs.org/ms_members.php

Mailing Lists

Besides the two mailing lists: “members” and “exchanges”, regional and thematic mailing lists are also created in order to facilitate the communication with a more precise target group.

Social Media

The social media platforms can help further enhance the visibility to a wider audience and give instant information dissemination. One year after the utilisation of CCIVS Facebook page www.facebook.com/secretariatccivs, CCIVS Twitter account [@ccivs_volunteer](https://twitter.com/ccivs_volunteer) was launched and maintains a slow but steady grow of followers. The usage of hashtags such as **#Volunteering #Peace #HumanRights** helps the IVS movement be engaged and exposed in some trending topics and therefore increase the possibility of being connected and followed by relevant stakeholders or target audience. Besides, the Secretariat has been also managing another Twitter account under the framework of Raising Peace Campaign since 2014 and this account has a special focus on the theme of peace and human rights.



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870
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Media Training for Members

Under the direction of the Plan of Actions of the CCIVS, a training focusing on the media and communication was developed the framework of the “Vision 2 Action” project so as to provide member organisations with the opportunity to enhance their capacity on internal and external communication. During the training, the representatives not only learnt essential theories and techniques to develop storyboards and produce quality videos, but also created promotional videos or other visual materials about IVS and workcamps.

Communication Guidelines

Diverse communication guidelines and tips have been being developed and disseminated among member organisations and partners so as to help improve the quality of communication work and enhance its impact. For example, there are Photo Tips to summary how to showcase events more effectively and attractively and some suggestion for possible communication actions during an event.





CCIVS Bag

Webpage

CCIVS Webpage

The reconstruction of a new website for CCIVS has been undergoing since the end of 2015 with the objectives of an easier management system for the Secretariat, a more interactive interface for the members, a more accessible path for other stakeholders. The plan is to have it finalised the beginning of 2017.

Projects Pages

In order to enhance the visibility and offer a specialised platform for the partners and stakeholders, different pages blogs are created for different campaigns and projects. Besides background information, these pages also showcase important and detailed updates of the projects and diverse resources including events documentation and educational materials etc. An integration of the projects pages into the future CCIVS website is foreseen.

Raising Peace Campaign: <http://ccivs.org/raisingpeace>

Vision to Action Campaign: <http://ccivs.org/v2a>

Contact Making to Participation Project: <http://ccivs.org/contact2participation>

Freedom of Movement Campaign: <http://ccivs.org/freedomofmovement>

IVSAgainstClimateChangeCampaign: <http://ccivs.org/ivsagainstclimatechange>

Newsletter

Since its return in 2013, the CCIVS newsletter enjoys high popularity among member organisations and stakeholders as it gives constant updates of CCIVS activities and important events in the IVS world and other stakeholders. In 2015, CCIVS started to employ MailChimp to facilitate the dissemination of its newsletters, which not only provides more refined user experience but also analytic reports to monitor the quality of communication.

Promotional Materials

In 2015, CCIVS adopted a new version of visible schemes which represents a more energetic and creative spirits. Accordingly, the update of CCIVS flyer and the creation of a series of promotional materials, namely banner, folder, t-shirt, postcard, bookmark, sticker etc. Besides their practical values for daily usage, these promotional materials contain essential information about CCIVS, the IVS movement and/or a concrete project and convey inspiring messages for both the activists and the general public. These are tools which help reinforce the identity of CCIVS.



Raising Peace & Freedom of Movement Postcards

CCIVS Folder



NEXT STEPS

for 2016-2017

2016 is fast coming to a close we still have three more events to go. The first being the kick off meeting of a three year project coordinated by the University of Coventry UK “Build Peace” in partnership with the formal and non-formal education sector in order to develop tools and online training sessions; then the CCIVS GC&GA in Morocco and the last official event CCIVS will be involved in - the International Conference of NGOS hosted by UNESCO and the NGO-UNESCO Liaison Committee of which CCIVS is an elected member. The Conference will focus on ‘The Challenge of the Digital Revolution for NGOs’. Throughout the Conference different representatives of UNESCO, institutions and NGOs will make interventions and contribute to the event which take place every two years. CCIVS will also be up for re-election during this important meeting.

During 2017, we hope to continue the Raising Peace Campaign in partnership with the European Youth Forum of the Council of Europe; we plan to consolidate the potential of the campaign, encouraging its growing decentralisation, the empowerment of a bigger group of supporters and the consolidation of the visibility and networking with stakeholders. Raising Peace also supports the Freedom of Movement campaign under which we will launch advocacy actions.

IVS against Climate Change will continue to unite the work of IVS organisations working on climate justice, environmental and sustainability issues. There will be new proposals for CCIVS projects in 2017 on this topic.

A new project will start focusing on Cultural Heritage and Diversity. The Volunteer P.A.T.H project will include a Stakeholders Forum, Trainings on Volunteer and Heritage Management and local actions worldwide and if financed by the Erasmus+ programme of the European Union. Also under this theme CCIVS continues with the global coordination of the World Heritage Volunteers initiative in partnership with UNESCO.

At time of Print CCIVS has had the approval by the E+ programme of the European Union of STEP to Change, a project to be implemented in 2017-18 focusing on empowering IVS organisations & the IVS movement with tools for organisational development.

We are looking forward to a very dynamic and rich 2017 with the active participation of CCIVS members worldwide, the development of new partnerships and the strengthening of our network through this.

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YOU ARE WASTING YOUR TIME.

BUT IF YOU HAVE COME BECAUSE
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IS BOUND UP
WITH MINE,
THEN
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Lilla Watson, Aboriginal Activists Group Queensland 1970s

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