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Dear friends,

We present to you the June edition (number 289) of the monthly informative Bulletin of the Youth Resource Center (ORC) Tuzla and the Youth Network of Bosnia and Herzegovina.

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The bulletin contains information about the work of the Youth Resource Center (ORC) Tuzla, monthly activities of youth organizations, informal groups and individuals - members of the Youth Network of Bosnia and Herzegovina, their plans for the next period and other useful information intended for young people and the NGO sector (donor calls for projects, conferences, seminars, tuition fees, scholarships, etc.).

If you want to be on the mailing list for future editions of the monthly bulletin, or if you have questions or suggestions, please contact us. You can find the monthly bulletin, as well as the archive of previous editions, on the website of the Youth Network of Bosnia and Herzegovina:

www.orctuzla.ba



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ORC/HCA ACTIVITIES IN JUNE



NATO YOUTH SUMMIT, Brussels

During the month of June, our kittens, Mirela Biković and Slobodan Blagovčanin, stayed in Brussels and diligently followed one of the most important NATO events for young people. The NATO Youth Summit brought together young people from both sides of the Atlantic to discuss current and future threats to the peace and security of the Euro-Atlantic area.



During the day, young people had the opportunity to listen and learn from many eminent experts from different fields, and at the very end of the summit, the Secretary General of NATO, **Mr. Jens Stoltenberg**, addressed them, the participants also had the opportunity to talk with the Secretary General.

Slobodan Blagovčanin asked Stoltenberg about the future of Bosnia and Herzegovina within NATO integration.

Stoltenberg talked about his experiences in Bosnia and Herzegovina, and then said that our country is a partner of NATO.

“First let me tell you that as a child I lived in Yugoslavia, before your republics became independent countries. My father worked at the Norwegian embassy in Belgrade and we traveled a lot in Bosnia and Herzegovina. I remember that I was in Banja Luka many times, because it was near the sea from Belgrade, but also in Sarajevo, where I ate my first ice cream, if I remember, in 1963 or something like that. And then, of course, Bosnia and Herzegovina is a NATO partner. We have been working together with Bosnia and Herzegovina for years. As you know, we - NATO - played a key role, we helped stop the brutal war in Bosnia and Herzegovina, and we have been there ever since. We have headquarters in Sarajevo, and we work closely with your authorities. Of course, there are challenges. There are divisions within Bosnia and Herzegovina, but NATO will be there to help and reform your defense and security institutions and help move towards Euro-Atlantic integration.”, said Stoltenberg.

It is important to note that our Slobodan and Mirela were the only participants of the summit whose country is not a member of NATO.

Soon we will bring you more video material from the entire summit, as well as our vlog, in which you will have the opportunity to see how we had a good time.

We thank NATO BiH for the opportunity and look forward to continued cooperation.



CAT Bosnia and Herzegovina

During the month of June, we continued with our regular activities as part of the "CAT - Bosnia and Herzegovina" project.

Our cats continued to delight the public on social networks with many memes, invitations to seminars, positive stories about young people from Bosnia and Herzegovina.

If you still don't follow our cats - we invite you to do so at:

[Facebook](#), [Web Portal](#), [Instagram](#) and [Youtube channel](#).



My green print!



As a break from studying, exams and phones, our volunteers took advantage of the second physical activity of our "My Green Footprint" project, the evening of board games.

We also tested the **Recycling Machine**, located in the **Bingo City Center**, which we will use intensively as part of the "My Green Print" project.

The project "My Green Print" was supported by **the Tuzla Community Foundation** within the project "**Our community is our responsibility**", which is implemented in the territory of TK with the support of **USAID**, within the framework of **the Local Power program**.



Fake news and youth mental health

As part of IOM's **Bosnia and Herzegovina Resilience Initiative project (#BHRI)**, a discussion on "**Fake news and mental health of young people**" was organized with the aim of promoting responsible and objective access to media information.



Representatives of civil society organizations and media professionals from **Raskrinkavanje**, **BIRN BiH**, **Media Centers Sarajevo** and **Etrafika** discussed the phenomenon of fake news, access to relevant information, and the importance of checking their credibility.

With psychologist **Senka Čimpo**, and young people from **ONAuBiH**, **Ammar Grabić** and **CAT BiH**, **Mirela Biković**, the participants talked about how fake news and hate speech on social networks are affecting the mental health of young people, and during group work they confirmed the necessity of checking sources, informing the audience about existing tools for checking information, and continuously developing media literacy, especially among young people.



ALTYO training, Struga



From June 20 to 23, 2023, more than 25 people from 7 countries participated in the **ALTYO Training course** held in **Struga, North Macedonia**, among them were 10 representatives from Bosnia and Herzegovina.

The training aimed to explore advocacy and lobbying as instruments that civil society organizations can successfully use to bring about institutionalized and legal changes at the local, regional

and national level.

Terms "Advocacy in youth work", "What is advocacy?" and finally, "How to develop a public advocacy campaign" were developed during the training days.



Youth for the Rule of Law – the final event

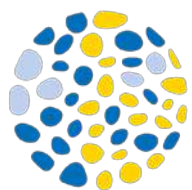
Over 70 young people, representatives of the judiciary and non-governmental organizations participated in the final event "**Youth for the Rule of Law**" in Sarajevo, where the results of a two-year project aimed at spreading knowledge and strengthening the role of CSOs and young people in the promotion and protection of basic human rights were presented. and the rule of law in the country.



"It is a pleasure and a great honor for me to be at today's event, which concludes the project Youth for the Rule of Law. In the Association of Women Judges, we recognized the importance and very gladly responded to the invitation to participate, wanting to transfer our knowledge to these young people.", said **Amela Mahić Samardžić, President of the Association of Women Judges of Bosnia and Herzegovina.**

The panelists pointed out that rebuilding the trust of young people in judicial institutions is key to ensuring the functioning of justice and the rule of law.

The project is financed by the **European Union**, and it is led by **JaBiHEU** and **ORC Tuzla**.



Anna Lindh Fondacija Bosanskohercegovačka mreža

Meeting of coordinators of national networks ALF – Gothenburg, Sweden, June 12 - 14

From June 12 to 14, the Swedish ALF network hosted institutional meetings of **the Anna Lindh Foundation (ALF)** with the Board of Directors, the Advisory Council and the coordinators of the network within the framework of the Swedish Presidency of the Council of the EU.

The meetings were hosted by the National Museum of World Culture (ALF coordinator) at the Museum of World Culture in Gothenburg with the support of the Swedish Ministry of Foreign Affairs.

The agenda of the network coordinator meeting included:

Preparations for the Anna Lindh Forum (2025)
Networks Lab
Discussions on the annual work plan of the ALF for the Network engagement program.

This year's meeting of the national coordinators of the ALF Network was opened by Ambassador **Ulrika Sundberg** from the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Sweden.

The coordinator of the Swedish network, **Rasha Shaaban**, held a workshop on the values of cooperation and how to maintain healthy and long-term relationships with your partners.



During the meeting, three parallel working groups were held, whose goal was to identify partnerships, in order to use this event and connect it with local programs and network activities and programs that will take place during the period leading up to the Forum.

The working group related to cooperation in preparations for the ALF Forum, apart from **Mohammed Hafez from the ALF Secretariat**, and **Robert Križanič, HoN of Slovenia**, was also coordinated by **Miralem Tursinović, HoN of Bosnia and Herzegovina**.

ORC & HCA TUZLA REGULAR ACTIVITIES

During June, we worked on maintaining and developing communications and coordination within the Youth Network of Bosnia and Herzegovina (www.orctuzla.ba). As part of this, we distributed information of interest to young people and youth activism in BiH every day on the network's mailing list (omladina@orctuzla.ba), but also to other addresses in Bosnia and Herzegovina and the region. We corresponded with organizations and individuals interested in the work of the network, responded to inquiries related to certain activities, education and other information related to youth activism in Bosnia and Herzegovina. Likewise, our project team continued with applications for projects.

HCA/ORC PLANS FOR JULY 2023

Continuation of other activities in the framework of the CATNet project.

This project was realized thanks to the support of **the Bosnia and Herzegovina Resilience Initiative (BHRI)**, a project implemented by **the International Organization for Migration (IOM)** and financed by **the Austrian Development Cooperation**.

Continuation of activities on other projects, fundraising and a well-deserved vacation.

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ARRANGEMENT OF THE "VRBAS" RIVER ON THE OCCASION OF THE WORLD ENVIRONMENT DAY ON JUNE 5

With the support of the OSCE Mission to Bosnia and Herzegovina, the Travnik Field Office, and the municipality of Jajce, the youth of the Jajce-Nansen Youth Club took part in the improvement of the Vrbas River, and in celebration of June 5 - World Environment Day.



The goal of this action was to raise awareness of environmental conservation, to encourage citizens to preserve the environment, rivers and natural resources that our city is surrounded by.

It is important to point out that environmental actions would not be possible without the voluntary engagement of citizens and the support of local organizations. Active participation and engagement of citizens in such initiatives is key to preserving nature and creating a sustainable environment for all of us. World Environment Day is a reminder that each of us can contribute to environmental protection and that every action is important.

Climate change, environmental degradation and natural disasters are forcing millions of people to leave their homes and communities, causing displacement and migration of people around the world.

We continuously celebrate World Environment Day, a day when we want to point out the importance of environmental protection.

Floods are natural phenomena that have serious consequences for our lives and the environment. Intense rains, melting snow, rising sea or river levels, as well as inadequate management of water resources, can contribute to an increased risk of flooding. The consequences of floods are diverse and include loss of human life, damage

infrastructure, destruction of crops and loss of habitat for animals. Flooding can result in long-term economic and social consequences, including population displacement, loss of property and increased risk of disease.

We don't have much time to act. We are already facing huge losses and damage for our and future generations.



By raising awareness of the causes and consequences of flooding, we can encourage action at all levels to better prepare, reduce risk and protect our communities from natural disasters.

In this way, we all together strengthen the awareness of preserving the environment and our natural resources. We must all contribute together, give our best, because that's the only way we can do something useful for our city and our environment.

We hope that environmental actions like this will inspire other communities to take similar steps to protect the environment. Only together can we create a better future for our planet. generations

At the end of the event, the organizer organized a joint lunch and a refreshing drink for all participants.

TRACES OF CUSTOMS AND TRADITION - CULTURAL MEMORY

Activists, volunteers and members of the Youth Club Association "Diamant" Jajce announce the organization of the event "Traces of customs and traditions - cultural memory". The event will be held with the support of the Federal Ministry of Culture and Sports - Lottery.

In Bučići, on August 3 this year, from 8 p.m., we will realize a cultural-entertainment and sports-recreational program on the occasion of the 20th Traditional Manifestation. The planned activities will give us the opportunity to socialize and evoke the memories of our predecessors, because it is of great importance for the affirmation, preservation of customs and traditions through cultural memory.



The goal of this activity is to continue the continuity of improvement of the current situation, in connection with the bad situation in the protection and nurturing of the cultural heritage of BiH, as well as to strengthen the abilities, skills and knowledge of children and young people through education, media promotion, cultural activities and pointing out the problem in the local

community. The project activities are intended for the target group of 60 young people, direct participants aged 10-18 and 5000 indirect participants-users. Based on a survey conducted among young people in the communities of the municipality of Jajce, we came to the following conclusion: Young people in the settlements of Lendića, Kruščica, Bučići, Lupnica and other settlements and the urban part of the city need additional empowerment, they need an opportunity for additional education, an opportunity for quality exchange of experience . Through informal education and learning, we will provide them with the opportunity to apply the acquired knowledge in a practical way. The project envisages the organization of three one-day workshops with the aim of empowering 60 young people from the area of the mentioned communities. We will organize educational and interactive workshops in the field of culture. Young people from the area of Jajce will receive free informal education. With the activities, we want to inform the public, especially young people, about the possibilities that the planned activities make possible. The activities are innovative and contemporary, as they enable the free participation of all interested parties.



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Daily workshops



The youth organization Svitac continued with its daily interactive and online activities. Younger participants did age-appropriate creative and educational activities with the help of local and international volunteers. This month they talked about birds, snails, caterpillars, fish, bees and whales; they made them thematically from paper, cardboard and decorative material. The participants enjoyed the creative part and modeling small salt dough monsters. They also continued with

music workshops, rehearsing rhythms and a song about a fox and a visibaba. They finished with the alphabet and started learning and writing numbers from 1-4. They did warm-up exercises and yoga for children, and every Thursday they danced, played sports and practiced reading and listening to stories. The goal of these educational activities is for children to develop their imagination and to express their creativity using various materials, and to develop motor skills, memory, a sense of tolerance and respect for others and adopt good behavior. All workshops are implemented with an educational visual method with pictures and video.

Ages 13+ participated in discussions/workshops on the topics: minimalism, cultural diversity, intercultural dialogue and postcolonialism. In this way, we want to provide young people with a safe and neutral space, where they can express their opinion.

In the English and German workshops, they learned the use of adverbial sentences for place, telling time, vocabulary of new words related to food and drink, wrote dictations, read and translated short texts and phrases, worked on practicing everyday communication and grammar, learned new vocabulary, and worked on interesting presentations and projects.





SVITAC **Guitar workshops**

Among the new songs, etudes and compositions that the participants worked on are: "Capriccio no. 26 and 27, (L. Legnani), "Etude in E minor" (D. Aguado), "Adelita" (F. Tarrega) and "Love of my life" (Queen).



SVITAC **Samba workshops**

The group worked on two new ideas. The first is in B minor (working title - LGN), while the second is in A minor (M.M. Mouse). In addition, the group worked on compositions created in the previous period.



SVITAC **International Family Day**

Since the 1980s, the important role of the family has increasingly come into the focus of the international community. The General Assembly adopted several resolutions and proclaimed the International Year of the Family and the International Day of the Family. For the complete and harmonious development of their personality, children should grow up in a family environment and an atmosphere of support, happiness, love and understanding. Youth organization Svitac held an interesting and creative workshop on this topic with participants aged 4-7. We talked about how much we love and respect our parents, watched an animated video about a happy family and made beautiful cards for them. The workshop was held in the premises of the Youth Center of Brčko District.



SVITAC **World Environment Day**

World Environment Day, also known as "Eco Day", is celebrated every year on June 5 and is one of the United Nations' main tools for raising awareness and action for environmental protection. The Svitac youth organization celebrated this day with the youngest participants. They watched an educational video about recycling, and our volunteers talked with them about waste disposal in the introductory part of the activity. After that, they made a poster of a polluted ocean with fish and other sea creatures, with the message "Let's save the planet"! At the end of the workshop, each participant received a sticker with a small tree on their T-shirt.





Summer festival

On June 7, the youth organization Svitac organized the "Spring Festival". Family and friends of the



participants, as well as children and young people from Brčko District, had the opportunity to watch an interesting musical program. Our youngest participants sang, acted and danced. Local and international volunteers adapted the story "The Very Hungry Caterpillar" by Eric Carle into a small theater play. They really enjoyed acting and our friend John played a great hungry but fun caterpillar! After the

program, the children had two creative stations to make flowers and origami animals! They socialized with refreshments, music and dancing.



International Day Against Child Labour

The UN celebrates the International Day Against Child Labor on June 12 every year.

The Svitac youth organization celebrated this day with the youngest participants. We talked with them about children in the world who have to work to financially support their families. We also asked them what, in their opinion, children should do - and the answer was to play as much as possible. The group made a beautiful colorful poster on this theme and drew their perfect playground. This activity reminded our participants that many children around the world are unhappy, but also that they have the right to a happy childhood, education, health and love.



World Refugee Day

World Refugee Day is celebrated on June 20 to raise awareness of the plight faced by people around the world who are forced to flee their homes. Our participants watched a video about two girls who had to leave their home due to war conflicts. Currently, both are in BiH, going to school and learning the language. After the video, we talked to the participants and asked them what they would like these two girls to have while living in another country, and then draw it. In the end, we received two beautiful posters with drawings of happy children at school and on the playground, and a house full of happy families.

The message of the workshop is symbolic - we concluded with the participants that everyone should have a place to live and that no one has the right to take away someone's living space, home or separate them from friends and family.

The continuation of all activities of the Youth Organization Svitac is planned for July.

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Youth as a force and driver of changes in society

The fourth training module Learn, think and act 18! he introduced the topic of youth policies to the participants. Knowledge of the process of policy creation towards young people gives participants the necessary knowledge and skills to be active participants in defining needs and finding institutional solutions with the aim of improving the position of young people at the local level.



Through this topic, the participants were introduced to how the government, especially the local government, deals with solving the problems of young people. Knowing the mechanisms of their involvement in decision-making, the participants are trained to advocate in their communities.

And the fact that the module met expectations was also confirmed by the statements of the participants, who emphasized that they consider the involvement of young people in the creation of strategies for young people and policies for young people to be extremely important.

Young people are the force and driver of change in the future, and their involvement can contribute to numerous benefits for young people and society as a whole.

The guests of "Coffee with..." were representatives of the Youth Council of the Federation of Bosnia and Herzegovina, who spoke to the participants about their work and the involvement of young people in decision-making processes. In the coming period, the participants will start implementing their local civic initiatives with financial and mentoring support from the Institute.



Young people are the heart of Sarajevo - attitudes and opinions of young people for Sarajevo tailored to young people!

The city of Sarajevo entered the finals for the prestigious title of European Youth Capital. In order to get the status of the capital of young people, Sarajevo should be built according to the standards of young people, and what is most important are the attitudes and opinions of young people.

The event "**Youth are the heart of Sarajevo: Dialogue between youth and government**" was attended by all motivated young people who wanted to propose, innovate and come up with creative solutions to create better conditions for young people in Sarajevo. This event gave young people the opportunity to talk with politicians and representatives of various institutions from Sarajevo Canton, the Federation of BiH



and other levels of government. Together with decision-makers and government representatives, young people discussed concrete ideas and activities from various fields that will be an integral part of the program for the title of European Youth Capital.

Today, the City of Sarajevo and the four municipalities that make up the City signed the Agreement on Cooperation, which once again provides support, but also shows readiness to create better conditions for young people.

At the event, they worked in groups and discussed the space for young people, the decision-makers who can support young people, but also the special features of the city of Sarajevo and the needs of young people. Reflecting on the problems of young people, presenting creative ideas on how to respond to existing needs and problems of young people, and ideas on how to make Sarajevo more friendly to young people, the young people concluded that they can make Sarajevo a better environment for all of us to live in.

The partners of the City of Sarajevo for the **Sarajevo European Youth Capital application** are: Institute for Youth Development KULT, Association Zora, Municipality of Stari Grad, Municipality of Centar, Municipality of Novo Sarajevo, Municipality of Novi Grad, Youth Council of the Municipality of Novo Sarajevo, Youth Council of the Municipality of Stari Grad, Youth Council of the Municipality Novi Grad and the Youth Council of the Federation of Bosnia and Herzegovina.

The title of European Youth Capital is awarded every year by the largest platform of youth organizations in Europe, the European Youth Forum. The finalist cities for 2026 have shown commitment to young people, continuous investment and integration of young people into everyday city life.



Motivating others and good cooperation with partner organizations are an additional reason for success stories!

Institute for Youth Development KULT was visited by representatives of EKO EHO - Center for Education and Promotion of Healthy Life. Wanting to get to know the work of the Institute in practice, and to learn something new that they can apply in the work of their organization, the guests had the opportunity to ask the employees everything they were interested in, socialize and gain new knowledge. Support and help are extremely important for the growth and development of organizations, and the Institute, through its activities, selflessly offers support and motivates all organizations to act in their communities and be a support system.



The Institute for Youth Development KULT has developed the concept of Job shadowing, which will provide civil society organizations in Bosnia and Herzegovina with a new perspective of organizational development. This concept is most often used as a form of professional development, and serves to study everyday activities, work, work environment, application of different methods and models of work in practice. Thanks to Job shadowing, partner organizations have the opportunity to see how the Institute's work looks in practice, to get to know the Institute's staff better, and to receive important and useful advice for the work of their organizations. Visibly motivating others and good cooperation with partners are all the more reason for the Institute to boldly continue with such activities and be supportive in strengthening organizational capacities with the aim of creating better opportunities for the society in which we live.

The visits continue, and the Institute expects several more partner organizations that want to improve their organizational capacities and stay at the Institute with the aim of gaining new experiences, ideas and knowledge.

You can find out more about the concept of Job shadowing [HERE](#).



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Summer at the INPUT Youth Center



YOUth Meet up sa Adnanom Muzurovićem

Tema:
Gaming scena u BiH

Ponedjeljak
03.07.2023.
u 18:00h

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"Summer at the INPUT Youth Center" is a traditional event organized for children and youth during the summer vacation by the youth organization INPUT Youth Center, and it will be the same this year. We invite all young people from the area of the City of Zenica to be the change they want to see in society and to work on their personal development through education and workshops. All activities start as early as July 1, 2023. year, with the Bejomanija art and social games workshop. Activities and workshops will be held two to three times a week at the premises of the INPUT Youth Center. Planned activities and workshops are: YOUth Meet Up... "My competences my career", "Let's cook together", "My creative side", "Bejomania art - let's create your own badge", Board game days, Table football and table tennis tournament

, a free CoderDojo programming school for ages 13 to 17. This will be followed by STEM and IT education, with a series of workshops also for children and young people, when they will learn about the basics of programming, working with robots, then about programming languages, graphic programs, and acquire other new knowledge in these areas or expand them. Anyone interested can apply via the online form. Anyone who wants to propose and conduct an education or workshop during the summer vacation at the INPUT Youth Center and, if they are interested in such a thing, can contact us via email: info@inputcentar.com or via Viber +387 62 116 343.

Budi promjena koju želiš da vidiš u društvu.



Meet IT Women

IT workshops for girls and women were held in the INPUT Youth Center in June. Four workshops were held led by Adi Salčinović: 3D modeling and 3D printing, as well as the basics of HTML&CSS and Introduction to Wordpress. After the workshops, the Meet IT women event was organized, on the topic of empowering girls and women in the IT world. More than 20 girls attended the mentioned activities

and, as they said, they had a great time and they expect more events like this. We implemented this activity in cooperation with our volunteer who attends the Academy of Democracy for Young Women, and in the organization of the non-governmental organization "Women for Women International" and the donor National Endowment for Democracy - NED.



INFO / ANNOUNCEMENTS / DONORS / CALLS

1. Central European initiative: Call for submission of project proposals



The Central European Initiative (CEI), within the Know-how Exchange Programme, has announced a call for project proposals.

The call is open until July 14, 2023, and is intended for private and public institutions, international and non-governmental organizations from the CEI countries.

All information on the method and conditions of participation is available in the document [Call for proposals in 2023](#).

Project proposals must be in accordance with the CEI Action Plan. The document is available on the website of the Central European Initiative at this [link](#).

The maximum amount of funds per project is 40,000 euros. Applicants must provide co-financing in the amount of at least 50 percent of the total value of the project. Co-financing can also be in kind (goods or services, infrastructure, equipment, etc.).

The Central European Initiative is a regional intergovernmental forum dedicated to supporting European integration and sustainable development through cooperation between and with member states of the European Union, international and regional organizations, as well as with other public or private institutions and non-governmental organizations.

Source: University of Banja Luka

2. Public call for applications for youth peace activists to write a media article and make a presentation



The Network for Peace Building Association invites interested youth peace activists to submit their text for a media article that will be published on the Peace Building Network website and presented at the "Youth Activism for Peace" Conference, which will be held in September of this year.

The general theme of the media article is "Towards positive peace in my community". At the bottom of the invitation are described factors of positive peace.

Conditions for applications:

1. Age from 18 to 30 years;
2. Engagement and experience in the local community as a youth and peace activist within an association, foundation or informal initiative;
3. The youth peace activist comes from one of the following places: East Sarajevo, Gornji Vakuf - Uskoplje, Kotor Varoš, Drvar, Pale, Prijedor, Stolac, Srebrenica, Tuzla and Velika Kladuša.

Obligations of engaged youth peace activists:

1. Proposal of a specific topic on which the author will write her text;
2. Preparation of a media article on positive peace in the community by the author from the perspective of young people;
3. Preparation of one photograph that illustrates the local community from which the author comes or some local community event;
4. Presentation of the text in 5 minutes at the conference "Youth activism for peace" conference.

The Peace Building Network Association will award selected authors a fee in the amount of 355 BAM gross. Engagement period: 20.08 – 22.09.2023.

In addition to the publication of the media article on the website of the Network for Peace Building, which will be promoted through the Network's social media, the authors are invited and obliged to participate in the events within the "Days of Peace 2023 - Future = Positive Peace", which will be held in Sarajevo from September 20 - 22, 2023, and to present their text at the "Youth Activism for Peace" Conference, which will be held on September 21. for the purpose of awarding the "Goran Bubalo" Peace Prize and celebrating the International Day of Peace. The organizer will bear the travel and overnight expenses for the authors at these events.

The deadline for applications is August 15, 2023 via [the online form](#).

Factors of positive peace

The factors of positive peace, as identified by the Institute for Economics and Peace (IEP), encompass a comprehensive understanding of the conditions and structures that foster peaceful societies. These factors contribute to the establishment of resilience, social cohesion and sustainable development. Here is a brief description of each factor:

1. **Good functioning of government:** good functioning of government refers to effective governance, transparency and rule of law. It includes the presence of responsible institutions, efficient public services and fair distribution of resources. A government that acts with integrity and protects human rights plays a key role in maintaining peace.
2. **Favourable business environment:** A favourable business environment encourages economic growth, entrepreneurship and job creation. It includes factors such as low levels of corruption, a favourable regulatory framework and access to finance. A developed business sector contributes to social stability and prosperity.
3. **Equitable distribution of resources:** Equitable distribution of resources ensures the satisfaction of basic needs and the reduction of socio-economic inequalities. It includes fair access to education, health care and opportunities for social mobility. Reducing inequality and fighting poverty are key to building peaceful societies.
4. **Accepting the rights of others:** Accepting the rights of others refers to recognizing and respecting diversity, inclusion and human rights. It includes the promotion of gender equality, religious and cultural tolerance and social cohesion. A society that values and protects the rights of all its members is more likely to experience peace.
5. **Good relations with neighbours:** Maintaining good relations with neighboring countries and international partners is essential for peaceful coexistence. Diplomacy, cooperation and conflict resolution by peaceful means contribute to regional stability and reduce the risk of violence.
6. **Free flow of information:** Free flow of information enables open dialogue, freedom of expression and access to knowledge. It includes a vibrant media landscape, internet freedom and an educated population. An informed society is better equipped to calmly resolve challenges and participate in constructive dialogue.

These factors provide a comprehensive framework for understanding the key components that promote positive peace. By addressing these factors, societies can create the conditions necessary for long-term peace, resilience and human development.

The goal of the USAID Strength of the Local Project, which is implemented by the Peace Building Network Association, is to strengthen local communities and aims at the revitalization of local communities and the development of multisectoral cooperation between all social actors.

Through assistance and support to communities in BiH, USAID Local Strength seeks to develop capacities that will enable sustainable growth, increase civic engagement and mobilization of available local resources.

The power of the local is a five-year program of the United States Agency for International Development (USAID). More information is available on the website www.snagalokalnog.ba

3. AWARD COMPETITION: Responsible and influential environmental reporting

The Centre for the Promotion of Civil Society as part of the project "Thoughts about nature!" awards for responsible, influential and timely reporting on the topic of environmental protection!

We invite journalists who covered environmental issues in Bosnia and Herzegovina in the period from June 1, 2022 to June 30, 2023 to participate in this award competition!

Professional journalists and photojournalists from news agencies, dailies, weekly and monthly magazines, public broadcasters and local television stations, radio stations and internet portals (with mandatory prominent imprint) have the right to participate.

Journalist Award ECO JOURNALISTS: Responsible and influential environmental reporting is awarded in three categories:

- **Audio/video attachment** (interview, reportage, TV/radio show, TV/radio report) The category includes all video or audio contributions on the topic of environmental protection published on a TV or radio station, on an internet portal or other media platform with a duration of at least 1 minute.
- **Text** (article, news, column, blog)
The category includes all journalistic texts on the topic of environmental protection, regardless of media genre, published in print media and/or on internet portals, with a minimum of 1000 characters.
- **Photography**
The category includes journalistic photos, published in print media and/or on internet portals, which impressively portray the theme of the contest.

Awards:

Award for the best audio/video contribution on the topic of environmental protection - DJI OSMO MOBILE 6 GIMBAL

Award for the best text – Lenovo IdeaPad laptop + backpack

Best Photo Award – GoPro HERO 8 Camera

Contest participants should submit the following information via the email address takmicenje@mislioprirodi.ba (Subject of email: Application for award contest), in accordance with the selected category:

1. Video/audio attachments

Published on a TV or radio station, internet portal or other media platform: a link or material is submitted via an online service for sending larger documents with a clearly visible media logo, the author's signature and the date of publication;

2. Texts:

Texts published in the printed edition: submitted in PDF or JPG format with a clearly visible logo of the printed media, author's signature and date of publication;

Texts published on the Internet portal/media website: a link with a clearly visible logo of the media, indicated by the author and the date of publication;

3. Photos:

It is delivered in JPG or PNG format of optimal resolution with a clearly visible media logo, the author's signature and the date of publication.

Within each application, it is necessary to submit a short biography of the journalist and contact information (telephone, email address, place of residence).

One journalist can apply with several media materials in one or different categories.

Applications can be sent until August 25, 2023 at 11:59 p.m., to the above-mentioned email address.

Incomplete applications, i.e. applications that do not comply with the proposals of the competition, will not be considered.

The winning materials will be promoted on the website of the project "Thoughts about nature!", the Centre for the Promotion of Civil Society, and the media portal www.objavi.ba, as well as on the communication channels of the organization and the project.

Received applications will be evaluated by an expert jury according to the criteria of relevance, objectivity/professionalism, number of sources, quality, originality and orientation towards a solution.

The winner of the award competition will be announced via social networks and the website of the project "Thoughts about nature!", and the winners will be notified via email and phone.

The criteria that will be scored when choosing the best work for each category are:

Relevance to the topic (10 points)

It implies: *Is the work in line with the theme of the invitation - environmental protection.*

Objectivity/professionalism and number of sources (10 points)

It implies: *Is the information included in the journalistic work reliable, verified on the basis of objective and professional criteria in accordance with the basic principles of journalism.*

Whether a minimum of three sources were used in the preparation of the journalistic work in accordance with the basic principles of journalism, and whether comments were taken and whether all interested parties mentioned in the work were given the opportunity to express their opinions.

Quality (10 points)

It implies:

Is journalistic work of high quality in the context of general media principles.

Is the text written in a structure that corresponds to general media rules, i.e. does the video/radio report and photo technically meet and at what level general media principles.

Does journalistic work cause emotion and reaction in readers or viewers.

Originality and exclusivity (10 points)

Is the topic covered by the journalistic work original and exclusive or is it covered in an original way.

Does the journalistic work deal with a topic that until then was unknown or little known to the general public, or does it deal with an already known topic from a new angle.

Does the journalistic work bring any new information about a certain topic.

Influence/Solution Orientation (10 points)

Did the journalist's work influence certain changes regarding the topic he covered.

Did it result in certain measurable reactions of citizens, a change in the government's attitude towards the given problem.

Did it bring or bring the addressed problem closer to its solution or in any way produce certain positive changes.

Evaluation

In each of the three categories, one journalistic work will be selected to receive the ECO JOURNALISTS/KE award: Responsible and influential reporting on the environment, and the works will be evaluated by an expert committee.

4. Public call for the distribution of funds on the Current transfer for youth in the City of Zavidovići Budget for 2023

Youth associations from the area of the city of Zavidovići are informed that on June 26, 2023, a public call for the distribution of funds on the Current transfer for youth in the Budget of the City of Zavidovići for 2023 was announced.

The text of the Public Call and the application form are attached to the notification. The competition remains open for 20 days from the date of publication.

DOWNLOADS

– [Public call for the distribution of funds on the Current transfer for youth in the City of Zavidovići Budget for 2023](#)

– [Application form for submitting a project to the Public call for the distribution of funds on the Current transfer for youth in the Budget of the City of Zavidovići for the year 2023](#)

Source: <https://zavidovici.ba/>

5. DRAMA TEXT COMPETITION



Dis Theatre Banja Luka invites all authors to apply for a competition for a dramatic text.

We are looking for an original and contemporary text that deals with important topics and brings a fresh perspective on modern life. The text should be innovative, contemporary and engaging.

Entries are accepted **until August 1, 2023**, and the winner will be notified **by September 1, 2023**.

The text must not have been previously submitted.

Applications are sent electronically to the address dis.konkurs@gmail.com It is necessary to send the text in PDF format, together with the biography of the author.

CONTEST RULES:

1. All authors over the age of 18 can apply for the competition.
2. Looking for a dramatic text with two faces (male-female) in their 20s - 25s.
3. The text must be original, it must not be performed before.
4. The length of the text must not exceed 30 pages in print format, with font size 12.
5. The text is sent in PDF format, together with the biography of the author, to the address dis.konkurs@gmail.com
6. Applications are accepted until August 1, 2023.
7. The winner will receive a cash prize (repurchase of the text) and a performance of the text at the Dis Theatre in Banja Luka.
8. Dis theatre Banja Luka reserves the right not to purchase the text if it does not find a suitable text in the competition.
9. The winner of the contest will be notified by September 1, 2023.
10. The author of the awarded text agrees to the publication of the text in the edition of Dis Theatre Banja Luka.
11. Dis Theatre Banja Luka reserves the right to adapt the text for the needs of performance on stage, with the prior approval of the author.
12. The author of the award-winning text agrees that his or her name, as well as the biography, will be used for brochures, posters, announcements as well as on the website of the theatre.
13. By participating in the competition, the author accepts all the rules of this competition.

We look forward to your applications and wish you the best of luck!

For all additional questions, you can contact the following address: dis.konkurs@gmail.com

6. Public call for production of media content on topics in local areas

The Centre for Civic Cooperation from Livno (CGS) implements the project "Citizen Participation in Local Government" and invites interested local media, journalists, representatives of local communities, representatives of civil society organizations and citizen journalists who want to write and produce stories from local communities and write about good and positive examples from the community, problems and obstacles for citizens, and they want to react to injustice and express dissatisfaction in the area of the municipalities of Bosansko Grahovo, Drvar, Livno, Tomislavgrad, Kupres, Glamoč, Grude, Ljubuški, Posušje, Široki Brijeg, Čapljina and Stolac, to submit media content (written, photo, video content) on topics in local areas. The activity is supported by the National Endowment for Democracy (NED).

1. Priority Topics

CGS will support these topics:

1. Content about economy and business, entrepreneurship, investments at the local level;
2. Content on corruption and crime in local areas;
3. Content on nepotism and party recruitment;
4. Content about nature, nature protection, natural resource management;
5. Facilities for children and young people (school and extracurricular activities);
6. Content on different types of addiction (tobacco, alcohol, drugs, betting, video games...);
7. Educational and entertainment content;

2. Amount of support for local content / stories

The maximum amount per supported story will be up to 150 USD for journalists and media, and up to 100 USD for citizens, representatives of the Ministry of Health and CSOs.

The total funds allocated for this activity are USD 2,700.

3. How to qualify for support?

Applicants must meet the following requirements to qualify for funding:

- i. Selecting a story based on the above-mentioned topics;
- ii. The author applies with a story that has not been previously published anywhere;
- iii. Application submitted on time to CGS;
- iv. Approval of requests by the Commission/Committee for local stories composed of three members (the Commission/Committee will review, evaluate and select the best stories);

4. Procedure for obtaining support

- i. Stories arrived in the prescribed time;
 - ii. Evaluation of stories by each member of the Commission/Committee;
 - iii. Joint discussion, comparison and final assessment of each story by the Commission/Committee;
- In case of ambiguities about the data contained in the story, the Commission may request additional information from the author. In that case, the final decision will be postponed until the next meeting of the Commission.

The final list of selected articles and the stories themselves will be published on the website of CGS and other media in BiH.

5. Publication of invitations for interested local media, journalists, representatives of local communities, representatives of civil society organizations and citizens

The public invitation is open from the day of publication, **from June 27, 2023 to July 31, 2023.**

The call for specific support will be published on local media, CGS websites.

Story selection activities should be completed by 10/30/2023. year, and the stories will be published for a period of one year.

All questions regarding this call for stories should be sent to e-mail: Asmir Orman - cgs-li@tel.net.ba or phone/fax: 034 202 770.

Those interested should submit a story (written story, photo, video) to the above e-mail with the indication or subject "Public invitation for the production of media content on topics in local areas" or to the address:

**Centar za građansku suradnju
Gabrijela Jurkića 8a (Livnopotovi)
80101 Livno
Izvor: cgslivnog.org**

6. CALL FOR APPLICATIONS - CORE GRANTS



The SMART Balkans project announces the second Public Call for applications for CORE grants, for applicants from Albania, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Kosovo, Montenegro, North Macedonia and Serbia

The public call for CORE grants with all the necessary information and instructions is available on our official website:

<https://smartbalkansproject.org/.../call-for-.../>

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DEADLINE: July 31 2023 until 17:00



Dear friends,

If you are interested in the monthly information bulletin of the Youth Resource Center (ORC) Tuzla and the Youth Network of Bosnia and Herzegovina: your invitations to joint activities and cooperation, information on activities, vacancies, appeals for help or support, press releases and all other non-commercial ads, you can contact one of the addresses below.

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