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## Dear friends,

We present to you the **November** edition (number **294**) of the monthly informative Bulletin of the Youth Resource Center (ORC) Tuzla and the Youth Network of Bosnia and Herzegovina.

The bulletin is published in Bosnian-Montenegrin-Croatian-Serbian and English languages.

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

[www.orctuzla.ba](http://www.orctuzla.ba)



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## ORC/HCA ACTIVITIES IN NOVEMEBR



### Days of ALF in Tuzla

We spent the first extended weekend in November at the theater with young people. As part of the ALF Day in Tuzla, we gave the citizens of Tuzla and the surrounding area two plays performed by young people, "Hell's Strings" and "Morning is smarter than night".

On Friday, November 3, 2023, **DIS Theater Banja Luka and City Youth Theater Vitez** performed their co-production "**Hell's Strings**" in the premises of Tuzla Youth Theater, which bravely explores the limits of human and artistic expression. The next day, November 4, 2024, on the chamber stage of the Tuzla Youth Center, **DIS Scena Zvornik** performed its award-winning play "**Morning is smarter than night**". The play won two awards at the recently concluded Festival of Youth Theaters of RS: the award for the supporting male role of Zlatko Janjić, in the role of Atila, and the special award for humor.



**During November, in cooperation with several other ALF Networks, we initiated the signing of an appeal for the end of the conflict in Gaza.**

In the midst of bloody conflicts and the humanitarian disaster in Gaza, as well as several other countries in the Mediterranean region, the national networks of the Anna Lindh Foundation are launching this action to sign the appeal, which calls for an immediate cessation of hostilities, an end to the killing of innocent civilians, and absolute humanitarian support for all those in danger. We are sending the letter to all relevant addresses of world organizations.

Although we know that this appeal cannot do much, our conscience asks us to at least make ourselves known in this way. Each of your signatures on this appeal will give it strength.

Please take a minute of your time and sign this appeal. It is located at the link:

<https://form.jotform.com/euform/letter>

Thank you very much!



## CAT Bosnia and Herzegovina

And during November, we continued with our regular activities as part of the "CAT - Bosnia and Herzegovina" initiative.

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](#).



## Youth and mobility in the context of climate change: challenges and opportunities" in Sarajevo

A one-day conference entitled: "**Youth and mobility in the context of climate change: challenges and opportunities**" was held in Sarajevo on November 6. This event was jointly organized by the **International Organization for Migration (IOM)** and the **United Nations Development Program (UNDP)** in Bosnia and Herzegovina, under the auspices of the **United Nations in Bosnia and Herzegovina**, in cooperation with the **Embassy of the Arab Republic of Egypt** and the **Embassy of the United Arab Emirates (UAE)**. with the aim of discussing challenges and opportunities ahead of the **COP 28** (Conference of the Parties to the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change - UNFCCC), which will be hosted by the UAE in November and December 2023, and attended by our **Suzana Dušanić**.

The participants were addressed by many officials such as: **UAE Ambassador, Nabila AlShamsi**, **UAE Minister of Community Development and Youth Climate Champion, H.E. Shamma Al Mazrui**, **Saša Magazinović**, member of the House of Representatives of the Parliamentary Assembly of BiH and chairman of the Green Club, **Dr. Ingrid Macdonald**, resident coordinator of the United Nations in BiH, **Sylvain Merlen**, acting resident representative of UNDP in Bosnia and Herzegovina, and **Laura Lungarotti**, head of the IOM mission in Bosnia and Herzegovina and regional coordinator for the **Western Balkans**.

After the address, there was a panel discussion of youth activists, representatives of domestic institutions and embassies in Bosnia and Herzegovina, international organizations, non-governmental organizations and the academic community. Under the guidance of experts, 30 youth representatives had the opportunity to share their insights and ideas on climate-related topics, and at the same time formed a series of messages that will be delivered to COP28.



## Working meeting "Prevention of violent extremism in Bosnia and Herzegovina: contributions to policies and practices through research"

On November 9, 2023, our **Mirela Biković** and **Suzana Dušanić** represented the Youth Resource Center Tuzla, and our work through CAT Bosnia and Herzegovina, at a working meeting in Sarajevo, organized by **the Atlantic Initiative**.

At the meeting, the previous work of the Atlantic Initiative was presented, as well as the other present representatives of civil society organizations, and the interests of improving knowledge and capacity in the fight against violent extremism, as well as potential joint action during this and the next year, were discussed.





## YINTRO training in Timisoara

The mission of our activists is to provide quality and adequate information to young people about all the opportunities available to them, but also to help solve their problems. Accordingly, we believe that continuous education is needed, primarily on the topic of informing young people. Such a training was attended by ours **Suzana Dušanić** in **Timisoara, November 20-25, 2023** organized by **ERYICA, the European Agency for Information and Counseling of Youth.**



The participants "walked" through the four main areas of knowledge and skills needed to work with young people together with expert trainers from Croatia, North Macedonia and Spain.

We would like to thank our partners for the invitation and the opportunity for training.



## Youth Media Literacy in Banja Luka

25 young people from all over Bosnia and Herzegovina gathered in **Banja Luka, November 23-26, 2023**, in order to start the process of creating a safer media space, while our **Mirela Biković** and **Slobodan Blagovčanin** were given the role of mentors who will work together with them on the creation of a virtual manual and online campaigns in which they will point out important topics.





## Civil society and the prevention of violent extremism in Sarajevo

At the end of November, our **Mirela Biković** and **Suzana Dušanić** attended a two-day education in Sarajevo on the topic of civil society and the prevention of violent extremism organized by **the Atlantic Initiative**.

The lecturers were **Dr. Craig McCann** and **Matt Duncan**, British experts on the mentioned topic, who shared both theoretical and practical knowledge and experience with them.



## Strengthening trust and cohesion in communities in Bosnia and Herzegovina

The association "**Pravi požar**", with the financial and technical support of the missions of **the European Union in BiH, the United Nations in BiH, the OSCE Mission and the Council of Europe**, organizes a series of meetings with peace organizations in BiH, as part of the project "**Strengthening trust and cohesion in communities in BiH**".

The goals of the project are:

Facilitate the integration and networking of civil society organizations engaged in peace building, in order to define common values and approaches; Create a framework for a joint strategic approach of civil society organizations engaged in peace building.

As part of the activities of this project, work will be done on the mapping of civil society organizations that deal with building peace in Bosnia and Herzegovina, in order to be involved in the joint creation of joint recommendations for strategic peace.

The second consultative meeting was held **from November 23 to 25** in the **Hotel "Terme" Kakmuž, Gračanica**, and in addition to other participants from peace organizations, our director, **Miralem Tursinović**, took part in it.





## 18th birthday of the "REVOLT" Youth Movement

On Monday, **November 27, 2023**, the **Revolt Youth Movement** celebrated its 18th birthday. A large number of friends of Revolt, citizens' associations, representatives of the city administration and donors gathered in the premises of Atelier Ismet Mujezinović in Tuzla. In a very cheerful atmosphere, those present, together with the celebrants, through photographs and a documentary film, remembered what the work of Revolt looked like in the last 18 years of its existence, but also gave encouragement to future generations of activists for all the further activities that come to us in the years ahead. . Our **Mirela Biković** and **Miralem Tursinović** also joined the celebration of this extraordinary jubilee. Dear colleagues, the celebrants of the ORC Tuzla team once again congratulate you on coming of age!



## ORC & HCA TUZLA REGULAR ACTIVITIES

During November, we worked on maintaining and developing communications and coordination within the Youth Network of Bosnia and Herzegovina ([www.orctuzla.ba](http://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](mailto: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 DECEMBER 2023

- ❖ Drawing of a mural dedicated to the Day of the Armed Forces of Bosnia and Herzegovina in Tuzla, with the support of the NATO Headquarters of Bosnia and Herzegovina, the Armed Forces of Bosnia and Herzegovina, and the City of Tuzla;
- ❖ Preparations for organizing a traditional pre-New Year gathering with our volunteers, members of the ORC Youth Group, colleagues and partners;
- ❖ Miralem Tursinović, in the period from December 13 to 16, will participate in the regular meeting of the ALF Network Chiefs in Istanbul;
- ❖ Continuation of work on projects, fundraising...

*Until our next meeting, socializing and reading, the team of ORC Tuzla and CAT BIH wishes you Well and happy upcoming holidays!*





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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 continued with the autumn theme and worked with materials from nature such as leaves, branches and cones and made interesting creations and animal shapes. The youngest participants enjoyed the creative part and modeling fun objects. The group continued with music



workshops, practicing rhythms and repeating songs learned in the previous months. Participants continued to learn and write numbers; this month they learned to write numbers up to 20. They did warm-up exercises and yoga for children, and every Thursday they danced, played sports and practiced attention and concentration by 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.

Age 13+ participated in discussions/workshops on the topics: children's rights, peace, non-violence and the values that are most important to them. 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 worked on practicing grammar and everyday communication, reading and translating short texts and phrases, school homework and interesting projects.



### Guitar workshops

The participants worked on the following etudes and songs: Two etudes in G major (J. Sagraeras), "Show must go on" (Queen), Capriccio no. 29, 30 and 31 (Luigi Legnani), "Vengeance" (Zack Hemsey) and "Moon River" (Pat Metheny-guitar solo). They also continued to practice scales, arpeggios, chords, cadences and bass lines in various keys.

## Samba workshops

Most of the time in the workshops is dedicated to incorporating the two trombones into already existing compositions. This practice will continue in the coming period. Also, international volunteers attended the workshops this month.

## Music workshops

A group of seven younger participants continued to participate in the newly formed musical activity. Samba percussion instruments were primarily used during the workshops.

## HALLOWEEN

Trick or Treat! Friday, October 27th was really creepy! The highlight of the fun for the smallest participants was dancing with volunteers, playing with balloons, trying different kinds of treats, drawing monsters on paper and enjoying snacks. Meanwhile, international volunteers made sure that even the fruit looked very spooky! Our participants had a great time at the party, hanging out together, masked in costumes laughing and posing for photos!



## International Internet Day



International Internet Day is celebrated on October 29. Celebrating this day gives us an opportunity to raise awareness about the safety and well-being of children and young people on the Internet. The Internet provides instant access to information; apart from gaining knowledge, internet users have endless supply and entertainment. Thanks to the Internet, many people can study abroad or work remotely from anywhere in the world. The Svitac youth organization marked this day with an educational workshop for

younger children. In addition to the discussion about internet safety, the participants had the opportunity to try out some applications on the computer, and also to draw their own laptop.

## International Day Against Fascism and Anti-Semitism

Youth organization **Svitac** celebrated **November 9 - the International Day of Struggle against Fascism and Anti-Semitism** with groups of high school students. The workshop focused on the Antifa movement in Germany, its goals and activities. Through this workshop, we presented the students with various forms of anti-fascism and anti-fascist activities. We also discussed the origin of the name Antifa, as well as the goals and methods ("Public appearances", demonstrations...). Participants explored topics such as "left-wing communes" and "squatting - occupying space without the owner's permission", all in order to learn about the political concepts underlying such actions, what "Anti-Antifa" is, and that some anti-fascists are in Germany ready to use violence to prevent neo-Nazis from spreading their ideology. Groups of students also watched a video showing the reactions of the left scene in Germany to the evictions and how the police act in them. At the end of the workshop, the students learned a lot about the efforts of individuals, who make incredible efforts to prevent neo-Nazis from coming to power.



## International Day of Tolerance

The youth organization Svitac marked **the International Day of Tolerance** with an interactive workshop for students up to seven years old and 15+. Participants discussed the word tolerance and what it means to them; they also watched an animated video about tolerance and friendship. A team of local and international volunteers created, together with a group of participants, a poster with a big heart and small colorful hands. The children also received a gift that they took home - a heart and a flower with the message "Be tolerant! Be kind!" Jonathan and Simon held a presentation and discussed with the 15+ group about this important topic and ways to improve dignity, peace and equality. Our goal is to promote cultural diversity, the value of tolerance and mutual respect. The youth organization Svitac advocates the importance of peaceful coexistence and acceptance and respect of others. The workshop was held in the premises of the Brčko District Youth Center.



## Universal Children's Day



International days are opportunities to inform the public about issues of importance, to mobilize political will and resources to solve global problems, and to mark and consolidate the achievements of humanity. Universal Children's Day is celebrated every year on November 20. Its aim is to improve the well-being of children worldwide, to promote and celebrate children's rights, and to promote unity and awareness among all children. Unfortunately, children's rights are threatened in too many places in the world today. Youth organization

Svitac marked World Children's Day with an interactive creative workshop. The participants watched a video about children's rights such as the right to education, family life, health, play, etc. In the creative part, participants colored children's figures on worksheets, which were used as part of a large poster. The volunteers made a beautiful poster with the planet Earth surrounded by children and wrote "Happy World Children's Day". The workshop was held in the premises of the Youth Center Brčko District.



## Volunteer programs ESC/'Weltwärts

- Svitac Hosting – 2 weltwärts volunteers from Germany are currently volunteering in Svitac for a period of 12 months. The visa process has been completed for both volunteers.
- Svitac Sending – Five volunteers from BiH are currently volunteering in Germany, France, Poland and Spain (2-12 months).



Representatives of Svitac attended the residential annual meeting of Western Balkan organizations active in the European Solidarity Corps (ESC) program, within the TEC (training and evaluation cycle), designed to support accredited organizations. The meeting was organized by the SALTO Resource Center for Southeast Europe in Durres, Albania. The meeting was focused on providing information on the latest developments and possible changes in the program, sharing good practices and/or learning from mistakes, further researching the role and value of volunteering in the work of organizations, as well as additional benefits that ESC can bring to organizations.

For the month of December, we plan to continue all the activities of the Svitac Youth Organization.

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## Young community leaders: Why is it important to educate young people about starting a business?

At a time when young people face the challenges of finding a job and find it harder to find opportunities for career development, a participant in the training "**Learn, Think and Act!**" **Selma Hamedović from Ključ** decided to take the initiative and provide support to young people in her local community. Selma came up with this idea based on data from the Youth Strategy of the Ključ municipality, where 43% of the surveyed youth expressed a desire to start their own business.

As part of the initiative, two educational workshops were organized that enabled young people to learn about the basic steps needed to start a business, about creating business plans and business sustainability, as well as the opportunity to ask questions, share experiences and discuss their business ideas.



The initiative ensured that young people who decide to start their own business will not be left alone in their beginnings, but will have the opportunity to work with experienced mentors who will be at their disposal and who will guide young people through the challenges of entrepreneurship. This support plays a key role in the successful development of young entrepreneurs, providing them with guidance and support during the initial steps in the development of their business.

***„Young people are the future of our community and I believe that we should provide them with support and motivation in order to achieve their entrepreneurial ambitions. The "Youth Business" initiative is only the first step in that direction, and I hope that this idea will spread and motivate more and more young people to enter the world of entrepreneurship.“***, Selma said.

This initiative is implemented in partnership with **the Kosmos Youth Center from Ključ**, with the financial support of **the Institute for Youth Development KULT**.



## On the way to the youth policy of the city of Banja Luka

**The City Youth Council and the Institute for Youth Development KULT support the City of Banja Luka** in the process of drafting a youth policy. The drafting of the youth policy represents the continuation of the concern and commitment of the City Administration of Banja Luka for youth issues and the improvement of their position through the improvement of numerous programs available to young people, as well as the introduction of new ones in accordance with the recognized needs of young people.

At the meeting held in the Youth Center, the members of the coordination body and working groups got acquainted with the process of drafting the youth policy and the obligations and tasks that await them in the coming period. With the joint efforts of members of the coordination body and working groups,

motivation, knowledge and experience, work will be done to create a document that recognizes the needs of young people and creates space for institutional support for their development in the area of Banja Luka. Among the members of the working groups are representatives of the City Administration, various institutions, representatives of youth and numerous non-governmental organizations from the area of the city, who through their many years of work support young people in various areas of life and work.



The youth policy of the City of Banja Luka will determine goals, strategies and special programs for the areas of formal and informal education, youth employment and entrepreneurship, youth health care, youth housing, youth activism and participation, free time, youth sports and culture, and youth safety. . The Law on Youth Organization of the Republika Srpska emphasizes that caring for young people is of general interest and that youth policy represents a strategy undertaken by the community in order to improve the status of young people.

In order to achieve the ultimate goal through joint efforts, the City Administration of the City of Banja Luka, in addition to financial support, decided and committed to institutional support for this process and made its capacities available in order to demonstrate commitment to improving the position of young people in the coming period.

With these activities, the Institute for Youth Development KULT continues its successful cooperation with the City of Banja Luka.



## **Boost Innovation training - First steps from ideas to realization**

**The Institute for Youth Development KULT and the Embassy of the Kingdom of the Netherlands in Bosnia and Herzegovina** joined forces to provide young people and ideas selected for participation in this year's **Youth Innovation Award** with an inspiring experience in the form of practical training aimed at shaping and concretizing the proposed ideas - Boost Innovation training.

**Boost Innovation training** brought together motivated and creative young people who think outside the box, carefully observe their environment and offer innovative solutions to the problems they recognize. In mid-December, young people will have the opportunity to present their nine ideas to an expert jury, which faces the difficult task of deciding which three ideas will receive mentoring and financial support.

*„First of all, I am very satisfied with the organization, kindness and willingness to work of everyone who participated in the implementation of the Boost Innovation training and the entire project. In addition to expanding my previous knowledge about entrepreneurship, I also learned many new things. The amount of beautiful experience I had in these 3 days is indescribable and I would recommend everyone to try this. As our lecturer Erna said, we have nothing to lose and a lot to gain,“* Ena concluded.

Boost Innovation training is the beginning of this year's new adventure in which 15 young people are participating. At the beginning of December, the community will have the opportunity to hear all the selected ideas and vote for their favorite.

**YOUTH INNOVATION AWARD** is organized and conducted for the second year in a row by the Institute for Youth Development KULT and the Embassy of the Kingdom of the Netherlands in Bosnia and Herzegovina, providing the opportunity and support for young people so that their innovative ideas become a common better future for all of us.





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## Mini Leadership and youth mobility

The goal of the project was to train young people, through informal education, to prepare and write quality project proposals in accordance with the methodology, and improve their knowledge and skills in the field of project cycle management, with a special focus on monitoring, mentoring and evaluation of project proposals. Also, young people will learn the basic elements of a business plan and an adequate understanding of its importance. The social goal of the conducted research is reflected in the importance of recognizing the role of young people and youth policies as one of the most important actors in building a quality society, and creating leaders in the community.



This project would be a continuation of the activities of the project from last year, which aims to influence the reduction of the problems faced by young people and enable the acquisition of new knowledge and skills in order to be more competitive in the labor market and to master the skills of monitoring and writing projects and applying to Public calls.

Acquired knowledge and skills will help young people in a personal and professional sense. All participants will be able to independently write a business plan, apply for an incentive, and get the opportunity to receive a grant for ideas/projects in their local communities. A high level of motivation for more active and mobile work and using free time through social activities is noticeable among young people.



Positive reaction of young people and citizens to the activities and commitment of young people through informal education. The activity was supported by **the Federal Ministry of Culture and Sports**.





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### The VIPK association elected a new president

Membership of the Association "["Volonteri i prijatelji konjičke regije" \(VIPK\)](#) held on November 25, 2023, the Reporting and Election Assembly, where they elected the new president of the association, **Semira Inajetović**, and **Adisa Muhibić**, the mandate of the president of the VIPK Assembly was renewed.

[Before the session, on the occasion of BiH Statehood Day](#), young VIPK activists together with President Inajetović laid flowers on the Memorial to the Martyrs and Fallen Fighters of the Army of the Republic of Bosnia and Herzegovina on Alija Izetbegović Statehood Square. With this act, VIPK members marked the Statehood Day of Bosnia and Herzegovina and showed respect for the victims of the war.



The assembly was held in the premises of the Youth Council of the city of Konjic, and the

agenda included the consideration and adoption of the annual and financial reports (2021 and 2022), and certain amendments to the Statute of the VIPK, which primarily relate to the management bodies, were introduced the status of Honorary member of the association.

They were admitted to the VIPK membership today through personnel decisions: **Hana Dedić**, **Suana Lipovac**, **Sarah Hebibović** and **Anel Grlica**, who already had notable volunteer activities through the project [Šarene ulice filantropije](#), that is, [Gala evening of philanthropy in Konjic this year](#).

The new VIPK representative in the OSCE "Peace Building" Konjic Coalition will be **Azra Mezit**, and the new VIPK representative in the "Konjic City Youth Council" will be **Dino Muhibić**.

In addition to the aforementioned changes, certain decisions were also made. The association's budget for 2023/2024 was adopted. year, and then adopted a proposal by which all members of the association, the outstanding debt for the membership fee from the previous year, is cancelled.

The Code of Ethics of the VIPK Association was adopted and signed, and the Association's Work Plan for the following year was adopted.

**We remind you that** the Association VIPK was created in mid-2006 from an informal group of citizens and was formed into a legal entity in 2013 with the desire of the members to develop the European Konjic, a city tailored to all citizens, building tolerance, democracy, solidarity and peace. Their goal is developed local self-government, responsible government and active participation of young people in social life.

For their work and outstanding civic activism, they have been awarded multiple times throughout Bosnia and Herzegovina, declared the best in Bosnia and Herzegovina. volunteers, and the last recognition came from the US Embassy in Bosnia and Herzegovina - Champions of Volunteerism.

Two years ago, the FBiH Ministry of Justice registered the NGO "Volunteers and Friends of the Konjic Region (VIPK) as a youth association, and the City of Konjic confirmed its membership in the register system of youth associations in accordance with the FBiH Youth Law, and VIPK members are now equal

members of the Council of the youth of the city of Konjic and participate in the preparation of the Strategy for the youth of the city of Konjic.

Citizens of Konjic, and wider Bosnia and Herzegovina. The public with great sympathy supports this non-governmental organization whose activists represent a shining example of the new generation of young people from Konjic, and you can read and follow all the information about the work of this association on the Facebook page: [VIPK](#).



# INFORMATION / ANNOUNCEMENTS / DONORS / CALLS

## 1. Youth in Western Balkans – A Virtual Postcard



The Youth Newspaper Association in Bosnia and Herzegovina (ONAuBiH), together with the Institute for Media and Diversity - Western Balkans, the Forum for Youth and Non-Formal Education (FORUM MNE) from Montenegro and the Youth Education Forum (YEF) from North Macedonia within the framework of the Youth in Western Balkans – A Virtual Postcard will conduct online virtual exchanges in the next two years.

Virtual exchanges will be led by trainers who have undergone training in the previous months. These virtual exchanges are intended for high school students and students aged 15 to 25. The topic of intercultural dialogue will be covered by talking about everything that affects it: stereotypes and prejudices, hate speech, communication, social networks, media literacy. Each virtual exchange will last 3 to 4 hours, while the working language in which they are conducted is English, as it includes young people from four countries of the Western Balkans - Bosnia and Herzegovina, Montenegro, North Macedonia and Serbia.

Registration will be possible through the available YOUTH calendar available [here](#). Interested high school students and students need to register, and registration is very easy: they need to enter their email, first and last name, mobile phone number, password and indicate the country they come from. After that, they will be able to log in to the MLADI calendar and choose the appointment they want.

The dates are divided into exchanges intended for high school students and exchanges intended for students, because the content of the exchanges will differ depending on who they are intended for. It is important that they choose the date they want and the trainer with whom they will attend virtual exchanges.

We would ask you to share this call for virtual exchanges with your colleagues and contacts, as well as those who are interested in applying and being part of virtual intercultural exchanges.

You can find more information on our MLADI website [here](#), and for all information you can contact me by email [andjela.borovcanin-knezevic@onaubih.ba](mailto:andjela.borovcanin-knezevic@onaubih.ba).

## 2. Public invitation to non-governmental organizations for co-financing of scientific research projects

The municipality of Centar Sarajevo has announced a public call for civil society organizations/non-governmental organizations to co-finance scientific research projects that will be financed from the municipality's budget in 2023, which will be implemented by young scientists/researchers.

The public invitation was published on November 23, 2023 on the municipal website: <https://bit.ly/3MVSnsE> and remains open until December 21, 2023. Funds in the amount of 100,000.00 KM have been provided in the budget of the Municipality of Centar Sarajevo for the year 2023 for the implementation of the mentioned project, and the duration of the project is 12 months from the date of signing the contract.

Civil society organizations (CSOs)/non-governmental organizations registered to carry out scientific research activities at any level of government in Bosnia and Herzegovina, which are based in the area of the municipality of Centar Sarajevo, can apply to submit a project implementation proposal that includes the following areas: environmental protection, artificial intelligence, robotics and mechatronics and cyber security.

The selected project must be implemented in the area of the Municipality of Centar, in a facility owned by the Municipality of Centar Sarajevo.

Participation in this Public Call is open to organizations whose focus is work in the scientific research field, and which also have scientific research staff from the aforementioned fields, then they must be registered in the List of Youth Associations of the Municipality of Centar Sarajevo, should have the basic equipment that enables the realization of the planned project and that they can co-finance the costs of leasing office space and utility costs during the implementation of the project.

Interested civil society organizations can find detailed information on the conditions for applying and the criteria for project financing in the Guidelines for applicants within the Public Call. All the necessary information and the electronic version of the entire package of application documents can be found on the website of the Municipality of Centar in the section "Public calls and competitions" or via the link <https://bit.ly/3utrsy2>

The completed application with complete documentation can be submitted in two ways, and no later than December 21, 2023. A set of additional documents is submitted electronically to the email address: [nvo@centar.ba](mailto:nvo@centar.ba).

The application with mandatory documentation is submitted in printed form via protocol (in person or by registered mail) in the period from Monday to Friday, in a sealed envelope to the address: Department for Education, Social Activities, Culture and Sports of the Municipality of Centar Sarajevo, Ulica Mis Irbina no. 1, with an indication for "Public invitation to civil society organizations/non-governmental organizations for co-financing of scientific research projects".

If one of the application methods is missing, the application will be considered incomplete and will not be considered.

Questions related to the public call can be asked via e-mail address [nvo@centar.ba](mailto:nvo@centar.ba).

### 3. Erasmus+ student exchange scholarships at the Technical University of Cologne

As part of the Erasmus+ program - credit exchange - a competition was announced for students of the first cycle of studies to go on exchange to the Technical University of Cologne.

Three (3) scholarships are available for first-cycle students for a duration of five (5) months.

The exchange must take place in the summer semester of the academic year 2023/24. years.

#### **Scholarship amount:**

- Monthly stipend in the amount of 850 euros (for living expenses),
- Travel expenses up to 360 euros,
- Visa, residence permit and insurance are not covered by this scholarship, so the scholarship holder is obliged to bear these costs himself.

#### **Applicants:**

Students of the first cycle of study at the Faculty of Mechanical Engineering from the Mechatronics study program can apply for the competition.

#### **Required documentation:**

1. Copy of Passport
2. CV in Europass
3. Proposal of the Learning Agreement
4. Transcript of grades in English
5. Motivational letter

6. Proof of knowledge of the German or English language – (B2 level).

For help in drafting a proposal for a study contract, contact the competent academic coordinator for the international exchange of students and staff - Assoc. Dr. Milovan Kotur.

**APPLICATION:**

All requested documentation is submitted in English to the academic coordinator for international exchange of students and staff, by e-mail to the e-mail address: [milovan.kotur@mf.unibl.org](mailto:milovan.kotur@mf.unibl.org) (with note: for ERASMUS+, credit exchange – TH Cologne).

**The deadline for submitting documentation is December 22, 2023 by 9 a.m.**

**LINKS:**

- about the University and Faculty:  
[https://www.th-koeln.de/en/automotive-systems-and-production/faculty-of-automotive-systems-and-production\\_6818.php](https://www.th-koeln.de/en/automotive-systems-and-production/faculty-of-automotive-systems-and-production_6818.php)
- information for students arriving at TH Cologne:  
[https://www.th-koeln.de/en/automotive-systems-and-production/incoming\\_53323.php](https://www.th-koeln.de/en/automotive-systems-and-production/incoming_53323.php)

**THE SELECTION PROCEDURE:**

1. At the end of the competition, the Commission for the implementation of the selection procedure of candidates for the outgoing exchange from the Faculty of Mechanical Engineering of the University of Banja Luka will check the eligibility of the applications received.
2. Approved applications will be sent to the partner EU university as nominations.
3. The EU university decides on the final selection of candidates.

[University of Banja Luka](http://www.uniba-luka.ba)



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