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για τα δικαιώματα
του παιδιού

Πέρα από λόγια και συμβάσεις

network

for children's
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Beyond words and conventions

Introduction:

2022 was a year with mixed... conditions and emotions. In the beginning, covid restrictions were still in force, creating barriers to our actions, but the end of the year reminded us of pre-pandemic times, allowing us to (almost) return to normality. Therefore, despite the shadow of the pandemic, we seized opportunities, created partnerships, and pursued our main goal: to spread and defend the rights of all children.

In 2022, our actions traveled beyond the familiar neighborhoods of Athens, beyond Attica. We visited many parts of Greece (even abroad!) and remembered how much we had missed in-person activities. We got to meet more than 10,000 children, teenagers, and young people in schools, universities, and unaccompanied minor accommodation centers, as well as educators and professionals in the field. We worked with everyone and especially with children, teenagers, and young people, with whom we discussed their rights and the importance of their implementation but also how important it is for them to know and defend those rights themselves.

We also faced challenges that don't differ much from those of 2021 and previous years. The short duration of funding for our programs always poses obstacles both to the long-term planning of actions and interventions, as well as to the sustainability of the results of our programs. It is important that the efforts made by our groups for the holistic protection and dissemination of children's rights can be extended over time so that the results of these efforts have a longer-lasting effect on the target groups.

2022 was also characterized by the highlighting of significant shortcomings in the field of child protection. Ongoing cases of child rights violations, with sexual abuse being the most common, came to light and dominated the media, while the child victims were in several cases re-victimized by the handling of their cases by both the state and the media.

NCR took a stand on this issue as well, insisting on the necessity to create a holistic system of child protection and a culture of respect for rights.

The above need proves how important the role of NCR is, as well as the continuation of its essential action, which continued for the whole of 2022 (and hopefully for many years to come) thanks to the dedication, commitment, and quality work of its professionals and volunteers.

NCR in Numbers:

- 9.462 children

- 17 advocacy actions for children's rights
- 980 activities for/with children
- 73 employees
- 50 volunteers
- 2.175 psychosocial support sessions
- 15 seminars for educators and professionals
- Activities in 25 cities all over Greece

Highlights of 2022:

- Our Wandering Library program was put under the auspices of the H.E. President of the Republic. This recognition, in addition to being a high honor for NCR, highlights the importance of the Wandering Library in the dissemination of children's rights and the promotion of children's books.
- The Greek Section of IBBY - Greek Children's Book Circle honored Thanasis Kotsovos, Coordinator of NCR's Children's Lending Library, with the 2022 Librarian Award for his contribution to the promotion of the love of reading and the promotion of books as an educational tool.
- As of April 2022, NCR's revamped site is live! With bright colors and shapes (inspired by NCR's tangram logo) dominating and adding extra vibrancy, visitors can navigate and learn all about NCR in an easy and user-friendly way. Visit us: <https://ddp.gr/>
- The Child Protection Unit (CPU) got a new home! In the fall of 2022, the CPU team moved to a new location at 187 Konstantinoupoleos Street, handing over to our new "Protection for All Minors" program the offices at Alkamenous 11B, which had housed the CPU since its inception. "Protection for All Minors" has been implemented by the NCR since September 20022 with the support of INTERSOS and aims at the holistic intervention and support of unaccompanied minors, who live in precarious conditions.
- A new collaboration of NCR and UNICEF Greece Country Office started! In 2022, NCR took over U-Report, which is a global platform of UNICEF that gives a platform to teenagers and young people aged 14-25 to express their opinion on social and political issues that concern them.
- Launch of yet another innovative program of ours: Entitled "Acting for children's rights| The rights of the child become a play" and with the support of the Stavros Niarchos Foundation, NCR invited teenagers from all over Greece to write a one-act play about the right of every child to live without discrimination. We received over 100 plays, while 10 of them will be presented by the Higher School of Dramatic Art "Neo Helliniko Theatro" and will be put to a public vote, on NCR's YouTube channel. The top two projects will be presented at a festival organized by NCR in the fall of 2023.
- In 2022, the "Migratory Birds" flew even further and became transatlantic! NCR's newspaper, which gives a platform of opinion and expression to teenagers and young people without discrimination, arrived at the Modern Greek Studies Program of the University of Michigan and was presented to the

students as a good practice example! The best gift for our newspaper that celebrated 5 years in March 2022!

NCR's Activity Points for 2022:



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What is it?

The Culture Lab is where NCR started. It houses the Children's Lending Library, as well as groups for learning support, love of reading and creative activities, educational programs, cultural actions, and events. It is also the springboard of NCR's Wandering Library.

Where is it located?

11B Alkamenous Street, Larissa Station, Athens

What's special about it?

It is a space open to any child or group of children (e.g., a class) from 5 to 12 years old. Children from different linguistic and cultural backgrounds participate every day in a variety of activities and programs and borrow Greek, bilingual, and foreign language children's books from the 10,000 books included in our library.

The Culture Lab's Programs for 2022

Digitization of the Children's Lending Library collection

The collection of our Children's Lending Library moved to the digital environment, with the creation of an online catalog on the openABEKT platform of the National Documentation Center (EKT). In this way, everyone has immediate and easy access to

the entire Library collection, locating the books they want and if they are available for borrowing. (Donor: A. G. Leventis Foundation).

Wandering Library

Our library visits open and closed spaces, wherever children are, to bring them in contact with books and various social awareness actions, with the aim of cultivating a love of reading and raising awareness about the protection of children's rights. The actions were implemented both inside and outside Attica (Zakynthos, Chalkidiki, Nafplio, Chalkida) (Donor: The Hellenic Initiative, Ministry of Culture, Sani Resorts)

The Fund for European Aid to the Most Deprived- FEAD

In the framework of the program, educational and creative workshops, training seminars, as well as psychological/social support and counseling sessions for children in need and their families are planned and implemented. (With the cooperation of the Municipality of Athens)

A life without plastic is children's right

The goal of the program is for children to be informed and act against plastic pollution. Through interactive activities, children use their critical thinking, become aware and understand the importance of their contribution to tackling the problem of marine plastic pollution. They are looking for alternative solutions in order to defend the right of children to live in a clean environment (Donor: BeMed).

STEM Without Signs (STEM Χωρίς Σήμανση)

The purpose of the program is to highlight female professional role models from the STEM fields in the eyes of the children. Through actions and discussions with professional women, the aim is to alleviate gender stereotypes and strengthen the attractiveness of education and professional careers in STEM professions. Short videos are created that are used as educational material to approach this specific issue. (Donor: Eurobank and Latsis Public Benefit Foundation)

Rights Hero

From March 2022, NCR in collaboration with the 49th Primary School of Athens, Action Synergy (Greece), OMEGA TECHNOLOGY (Greece), Crossing Borders (Denmark), CISS (Italy), and ASOCIATIA GEYC (Romania) are implementing this Erasmus+ program. The aim is to create children's favorite game ... an online game ... to inform and promote the rights of the child.

Highlights of 2022

- 3,019 children (from Greece and 16 other nationalities) took part in the actions of the Culture Lab and its programs.
- 303 creative workshops/groups for children.
- 602 individual and group support meetings.
- 577 sessions of individual and group psychosocial support.
- 27 events / visits to cultural sites with children and their families.
- 182 actions of the Wandering Library in 90 schools and 12 libraries and festivals (within and outside Attica).
- The stable cooperation with the Respect for Greece organization and their 14 volunteers, who participated in our actions.

Words we won't forget!

"The Culture Lab is fantastic!" - words written by a child on a drawing they gave us.

"There are so many books here! I want to read them all!" - words said to us by a child, when they entered the Culture Lab for the first time



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What is it?

The Youth Center is a cross-cultural space specially designed for teenagers and young people aged 13 to 24. It aims to offer a wide range of cultural, artistic, educational, and psychosocial activities and to contribute to the awareness of teenagers and young people about human rights within a safe framework of trust and interaction.

Where is it located?

189 Konstantinoupoleos Street, Kolonos, Athens, (between the stations "Metaxourgeio" and "St. Larisis" of Line 2 of the Metro).

What's special about it?

It is a free, open, and safe space for support, entertainment, and inclusion, accessible to all, which seeks to develop an intercultural community of teenagers and young people, by creating strong bonds, cooperation, and mutual support.

At the same time, it actively contributes to the integration and inclusion of teenagers and young immigrants, and refugees in Greek society and to the fight against all forms of racism and xenophobia.

The Youth Center team designs and implements educational programs on the following topics: vocational guidance & employability in the refugee population, sex education, gender inequality, right to free time and freedom of expression and opinion, climate change, human rights and social inclusion.

The Youth Center's Programs for 2022

Young Journalists (Migratory Birds)

The Young Journalists program is a non-formal and inclusive training practice, with journalism and mass media as key tools, aimed at teenagers and young adults aged 13-24. The members of the group "Young Journalists", a group of teenagers and young refugees, immigrants, and Greek youth, publish the newspaper "Migratory Birds". FOR 2022, the newspaper was published as an insert with the "Efimerida ton Syntakton" and includes texts in English, Arabic, Greek, Urdu, and Farsi, while the reader can read articles by the editorial team on the website www.migratorybirds.gr (Donor: UNHCR)

Songs for Change

From June 2022, NCR participates in the Erasmus+ program with music as the main tool. With YEPP Europe as coordinators (Germany) and partners Associazione di Promozione Sociale YEPP Italia (Italy), Zdruzenie PRE LEPSI ZIVOT (Slovakia), OUT OF THE BOX INTERNATIONAL (Belgium), Het Wilde Westen (Netherlands), the program uses the music- writing lyrics, creating music, video clips, to promote European values. Teenagers and young people aged 16-28 will create their own songs inspired by European values. (Donor: European Commission)

Implementation of Professional Orientation Workshops

The series of professional orientation workshops "Employability Workshops" seeks to familiarize the participants with the possible choices of professions and to reduce the potential difficulties of their initial contact with the process of choosing one. In today's reality, choosing a profession is a particularly difficult and complex process, both at the individual level and at the family level, which has social ramifications. It aims to help participants to get to know themselves and better understand the career options they can pursue according to their particular individual inclinations and interests.

Meet the Experts

As part of the career orientation workshops, the Youth Center team organizes visits to work and professional places, so that teenagers and young people can come into contact with professionals from various fields. For example, we visited the reflexology and physical strengthening area "Blossom Pilates Reflexology" studio, the CommonSpace area, and Shedia Home through the participation of teenagers and young people in the manufacture of recyclable items and we met with an IT Expert in the area of the Youth Center.

Cooperation with other organizations and implementation of experiential workshops

In order to empower and strengthen but also inform teenagers and young people on issues related to their age and challenges they face in their daily lives, we organized experiential workshops in collaboration with other organizations on issues related to school bullying, human trafficking, the body and boundaries, awareness regarding stray animals and specifically dogs, addiction prevention, the issue of homelessness and providing free meals to people with economic and social difficulties and eating habits. For the implementation of the above, we collaborated and visited our site with the following organizations: Smile of the Child, A21, MEDsCAN, SAPT Hellas, All About Parents, KETHEA, O Allos Anthropos, and the nutritionist Vasiliki Mandyli.

CityZenShip 3

The Erasmus+ program "CityZenShip 3" with the aim of bringing artistically concerned teenagers in contact with theater and culture made a trip to Montpellier, France. With a group of 12 teenagers, we traveled to France, where they presented their play entitled "I'm a Creep" directed by Constantinos Dalamagas to a packed theater with a French audience. During our stay in Montpellier, the participating teenagers in collaboration with the French teen group, jointly designed and presented a satirical performance about the new order of things regarding social media and influencers. (Donor: European Commission)

Little Philosophers

The purpose of the program is the development of philosophical knowledge in children and adolescents aged 10-14 years old with the aim of helping children engage in philosophical discussion, aiming to acquire creative, critical, and selfless thinking, through interrelated results based on a revised taxonomy of knowledge. (Donor: European Commission)

Highlights of 2022

- We started with 0 registrations and within a year we reached 453 registrations
- We supported with psychologists and social workers, 210 requests from teenagers and young people.

- In collaboration with Synthesis 458, we implemented 8 workshops at the Museum of Cycladic Art.
- 113 foreign language courses (Greek, German, French, and English).
- 76 learning support courses in Middle School and High School courses.
- 93 creative workshops (art therapy, visual arts, arts & crafts, guitar, drums, self-defense and self-protection group, skateboard).
- 24 theater workshops.
- Over 60 workshops in schools, structures, and organizations inside and outside Greece.
- 19 Speak-Up meetings with teenagers.
- 14 external visits/events.
- Publication of two issues of Migratory Birds (June 2022 and December 2022).
- Two rounds of journalism workshops (March and May 2022) with thematic topics: social media, documentary, photography, etc. with a number of participants of 10-15 people/per workshop.
- Interview of the Migratory Birds with the Representative of the High Commission in Greece, Mrs. Maria Clara Martin.
- European participation of Migratory Birds in Brussels within the framework of the 7th European Migration Forum.
- Migratory Birds interview with the American ambassador, Mr. George Tsunis.
- Successful connection of three team members with media companies and completion of three media internships by three "Migratory Birds" within the framework of a program funded by the High Commissioner for Refugees.

Words we won't forget!

"One Center, one family" – a teenager who constantly follows the actions of the Youth Center

"I feel as comfortable as I feel in my home" - from one of the oldest members of the Youth Center

"The people in the Youth center won me over" - FEAD beneficiary

"I couldn't imagine learning such interesting things in another place!"- 18-year-old member of Migratory Birds, who participated in the media internship program.



CPU

(Child Protection Unit -
Μονάδα Παιδικής Προστασίας)

δίκτυο για τα δικαιώματα του παιδιού

What is it?

A specialized NCR program that operates within the framework of the National Emergency Response Mechanism ("EMEA") of the Special Secretariat for the Protection of Unaccompanied Minors of the Ministry of Migration and Asylum. The program includes actions "in the field", related to the daily and practical protection of unaccompanied children and their rights, as well as children who are separated from their families.

(The program is funded by the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees [UNHCR]).

Where is it located?

187A Konstantinoupoleos Street, Kolonos, Athens

What's special about it?

The operation of the Info Desk and the Mobile Unit with the aim of directly supporting children living in homelessness and precarious conditions in the urban fabric of Athens. It offers direct psychosocial and legal assistance to unaccompanied children and children who are separated from their families, who live in a state of homelessness or unsafe housing, as well as to children who came to Greece due to the war in Ukraine and who are either referred to us by the EMEA, either we locate them in our offices, or we locate them through street work. The specialized team of professionals communicates and meets with the child, assesses their needs, explains their rights and options, and completes and sends the housing request in the event that the child wishes to be housed.

Furthermore, through psychosocial and legal assistance, the rendering of actual care to an adult relative through a prosecutor's order is investigated, if they are deemed a suitable person to take over. At the same time, the Mobile Unit with a van at its disposal undertakes the direct escort of the children to accommodation facilities, as well as helps with the identification process, in the event that the children do not have any identification document from a Greek public authority, while an escort is also carried out for medical examinations if this is requested by the EMEA.

Highlights of 2022

- Referrals and detections of 1,884 unaccompanied children.
- 1,232 escorts of unaccompanied children to accommodation structures by the Mobile Unit.
- 1,233 individual sessions to assess the needs of unaccompanied children.
- 902 supplementary actions and follow-up.
- Placement of 228 children in a safe shelter within 48 hours.
- 15 cases in which the actual care of a child separated from their family was given to their adult relative through a prosecutor's order. 9 cases involved children from Ukraine.

Words we won't forget!

"Life is a battle and fight so you never lose" – a note left by an unaccompanied child in a disposable mask after completing his appointment.

"I came to speak to you because you are the Organization that listens to the children."
– unaccompanied child, 16.5 years old



What is it?

This is a specialized child protection program, which provides the possibility of psychosocial and legal support to unaccompanied children, who live in precarious conditions and currently do not wish to join a Minors Accommodation Structure of the Special Secretariat for Unaccompanied Minors.

The program operates with the support of INTERSOS and in collaboration with the National Emergency Response Mechanism for Unaccompanied Minors of the Special Secretariat for the Protection of Unaccompanied Minors of the Ministry of Migration and Asylum.

Where is it located?

11A Alkamenous Street, Larissa Station, Athens

What's special about it?

It offers psychosocial and legal support to unaccompanied minors and minors who are separated from their families, who are identified by a team of specialized professionals, acting as Assistants in the Regional Asylum Offices (Alimos, Attica, Piraeus) or through the referrals of the National Emergency Response Mechanism for Unaccompanied Minors.

Psychosocial support is provided by social workers and psychologists through individual and group sessions which are based on the individual needs of each minor. The lawyer provides legal advice and legal support in the process of fully registering the request for international protection, the process of family reunification, the process of taking actual care of unaccompanied minors living with relatives, as well as other legal actions that may be required for the protection of unaccompanied minors.

Finally, minors who receive services from the program are given the opportunity to receive daily food.

Highlights of 2022

- 442 unaccompanied minors were identified.
- 156 psychosocial support sessions and 61 legal sessions were conducted.
- 212 additional actions and follow-ups were carried out.
- 16 were accommodated in Emergency Shelters in Athens.

Words we won't forget!

"I don't need anything. I stopped by to see how you are doing" – a former beneficiary

"You have helped me a lot" – an unaccompanied minor.



What is it?

NCR's pilot program of educational activities at Tritsis Park aims at environmental awareness, information and education, as well as highlighting the special value of greenery within the urban fabric. It is addressed to schools but also to those who visit the park individually (children and parents).

The program was implemented with the support of the Metropolitan Park Management Agency and the funding of the Region of Attica. It was completed in June 2022.

Where is it located?

Othoniki Avli, Antonis Tritsis Metropolitan Park, Ilion

What's special about it?

Το πρόγραμμα αναδεικνύει εναλλακτικούς τρόπους να βλέπουμε τα σχολικά μαθήματα μέσα από την κίνηση στον ανοιχτό χώρο καθώς και τρόπους ευαισθητοποίησης πάνω στα δικαιώματα του παιδιού. Σημαντικό βάρος δίνεται και στα σεμινάρια σε εκπαιδευτικούς με σκοπό τη δημιουργία μιας ευρύτερης εκπαιδευτικής κοινότητας που θα επαναπροσδιορίσει τη σχέση της φύσης με την εκπαιδευτική διαδικασία.

Highlights of 2022

- 2,108 children took part in activities
- 668 teachers participated in activities either by accompanying their students or by attending seminars.
- 604 adults visited the program's space with their children.
- Activities open to the public took place on the occasion of World Children's Book Day and World Environment Day.
- Art Exhibition with works of unaccompanied minors, inspired by the Convention on the Rights of the Child hosted at the program's space in collaboration with the Special Secretariat for the Protection of Unaccompanied Minors.
- Exhibition with a collection of photographs from the photography competition organized within the framework of the European project Speak Up - Media For Inclusion in collaboration with the NGO Karpos.

Words we won't forget!

"Excellent guidance to the students by the program managers (that's why we came for a 2nd time)" – excerpt from the evaluation of the program by a teacher.

"The things I liked are countless. I really liked Mrs. Ioanna's humor and Mr. Stefanos' kindness. All the activities were perfect!" - a child that took part in the activities

"I loved everything we did so I have nothing negative to say... I had a great time and hope to come back here again." - a child that took part in the activities



What is it?

UNICEF Greece Country Office collaborated with NCR for the implementation of the U-Report Greece program, with the aim of strengthening the participation of young people in democratic governance and giving them the opportunity to share their views on issues that influence them and their communities through monthly polls. U-Report is a UNICEF platform launched in 2011 and used by more than 27 million children and youth in over 90 countries!

The platform is available in Greek, English, French, Arabic, Farsi, and Urdu, in order to ensure access and participation of as many young people as possible, giving voice to their opinions and suggestions. Whenever a poll starts, users receive a notification on the social media they have chosen to register with (Viber, Facebook Messenger, What's App) informing them that the poll has started and asking them to answer a series of short questions. Poll results are displayed directly on the U-Report Greece website, where information on how to register on the U-Report Greece platform is also available and regular articles and press releases are published. In addition, the number of U-Reporters is displayed along with information regarding their profile (gender, age, region).

The U-Report Greece program started in March 2022 with polls and the design of workshops, which were presented to young people and teenagers in the general population and with a refugee and immigrant profile. Furthermore, the purpose of the implementation team was to connect the institutions with the young people and the program.

The program was completed in December 2022.

Where is it located?

81 Agias Lavras Street, Athens

What's special about it?

The purpose of U-Report Greece is to foster a sense of active participation among teenagers and young people aged 14-25 living in Greece - including refugees and migrants, Roma, young people with disabilities, and young people living in remote areas - and to integrate their voices in the policy-making and implementation process.

U-Report is free, anonymous, and completely transparent and does not retain the details of its users, so the identity and personal data of U-Reporters are protected.

Highlights of 2022

- 39 workshops in 17 cities throughout Greece.
- Visits to 19 shelters for unaccompanied minors, 36 schools, and 3 University departments.
- 1,543 registrations on the platform
- 28% of the young people were refugees or had an immigrant background.
- Consultations were organized in 6 candidate Child-Friendly Cities.
- Collaboration with Refugee Week Greece for the final event of the festival.
- Participation in the first Athens Democracy Forum for teenagers.
- Meeting with the Mayor of Athens in July 2022 and discussion on the inclusion of refugees and immigrants in Greek society.

Words we won't forget!

"It is important for a young person to know that there is a platform where they can express their opinion and that it counts."- A 16-year-old boy

"I believe that since we live in a democratic society, we all have the right to speak our minds. I am very interested in environmental issues and the more we talk about them, the more solutions we find." - A 15-year-old girl

"It is important to have platforms like U-Report because children who cannot be heard have an opportunity to come to such conferences, speak their mind, and start becoming 'active' citizens so that in the coming years they can be part of society and move actively within the whole." - A 14-year-old girl



What is it?

It is NCR's Centre of Creative Activities for Children that carries out creative activities on a daily basis, with the aim of developing the individual and group expression of children, the development of friendly bonds and social relations between them, and the promotion of freedom of expression and active participation.

(The program is implemented within the framework of the Action "Harmonization of Family & Professional Life" of the E.E.T.A. with the co-financing of the European Union [ESPA] & other participants in the support of the Action of partners/organizations).

The program was completed in July 2022.

Where is it located?

8 Traiber Sq., Athens

What is special about it?

It provides children (aged 5-12 and from low-income families) with opportunities for entertainment and participation in cultural life while facilitating and supporting their mothers in equal access to work, through the provision of quality services.

Highlights of 2022

- 13 children attended the program.
- Daily Greek & English learning support for all children.
- Daily activities based on the needs of the children, led to the design of very interesting and useful activities, such as Art Therapy, Origami, Hip-hop dance, Environment/gardening projects, STEM Education, Storytelling time, Art, Group Games, Cuisine of the World, Music and Motor Education



What is it?

NCR's new program is a nationwide teenage playwriting competition and festival! Teenagers are encouraged to learn and reflect on the Convention on the Rights of the Child (CRC) and write a one-act play on the theme of Article 2 on the right to protection against discrimination!

It concerns teenagers from 13 to 18 years old, who can participate individually or in groups, independently or within the context of their school unit. With inclusion at its core, the program aims to encourage the participation of teenagers from across the country.

What is special about it?

The works that will be distinguished through the evaluation process, will be presented as plays by the Drama School "New Hellenic Theater"! The children whose works stand out will have the opportunity to see their play come to life in a theatrical performance!

The program is implemented with the support of the Stavros Niarchos Foundation.

Advocacy for Children's Rights:

- We submitted comments to the public consultation on the "National Strategy for the Protection of Unaccompanied Minors".
- We submitted comments to the public consultation on the legislative initiative under the title: "National system of guardianship of unaccompanied minors and accommodation framework for unaccompanied minors"
- We submitted comments to the consultation on the draft Standard Rules for the Operation and Licensing of Accommodation Centers for Unaccompanied Minors.
- We submitted comments to the consultation on the draft Standard Operating Rules for Supervised Semi-Independent Living Apartments.
- We submitted comments to the public consultation on the National Action Plan for the Protection of Children from sexual abuse and Exploitation (NAP) 2022-2027.
- We submitted comments to the public consultation on the National Strategy for the social integration of asylum seekers and beneficiaries of international protection.
- We submitted a report and comments on behalf of the Network to the European Union Agency for Asylum ("EUAA") Annual Report for 2021.
- We published a press release together with 28 Civil Society organizations that provide support to refugees and applicants for international protection, regarding the closure of the Eleonas structure, on the subject: Closing Eleonas: not to deprive children of school and refugees of roof.
- We participated in the Policy Framework Document - FA.B! Family Care for Unaccompanied Children coordinated by the Center for Social Action and Innovation (KMOP).
- We co-signed a joint statement with 35 Civil Society Organizations entitled: Protecting Children's Rights. In the joint statement, we emphasize the need for an institutional framework that ensures the proper functioning of child protection structures, the strengthening of deinstitutionalization, and the holistic reform of child protection for the benefit of children.
- Together with 36 other Civil Society organizations that provide support to refugees and applicants for international protection, we sent an open letter to the General Secretary for the Reception of Asylum Seekers at the Ministry of Immigration and Asylum and to the General Secretary for Immigration Policy regarding the situation of LGBTI+ refugees and applicants international protection.

- We published a joint announcement together with four more Civil Society Agencies, regarding the abuse of children entitled: "The child victim is abused again, this time by the system".
- As part of our participation in the Child Rights Advocacy Network, we co-signed with 43 Civil Society organizations that provide support to refugees and applicants for international protection, a press release on the legal protection of unaccompanied children, and participated in the organization of the event with the corresponding topic. Subsequently, we co-signed a Press Release addressed to the Deputy Minister of Migration and Asylum as the commitments she had announced at the event, in which she participated, were not implemented.
- Representation of NCR in a meeting with the General Secretary of Reception of the Ministry of Immigration and Asylum together with other NGOs and International Organizations.
- Representation of NCR in the ERASMUS+ program "NGO Competences" Improving the Competencies of NGO Educators for social inclusion" in Poland.
- Representation of NCR at the KMOP event: "Legal Framework and Rights for Unaccompanied and Separated Children".
- We participated in the Annual General Meeting of Eurochild.

Activities Calendar:

January 4, 2022: Works by unaccompanied minors from various regions of the country were included in the art exhibition at our space in Tritsis Park. The exhibition was completed in March 2022.

February 19, 2022: We participated in the Evaluation Committee of the 25th UNHCR GREECE Student Creation Competition with the theme "Education cannot wait!"

March 4, 2022: We were hosted on ERT3's omicron three show and presented the Stop Motion Animation film "A School that fits us all"!

April 5, 2022: In collaboration with the UNICEF Office in Greece, we presented in Serafio, the new program "U-Report Greece" in high schools and high schools of the Municipality of Athens.

April 6, 2022: The children of the "Children's News" Radio Group welcomed the Children's Advocate, Theoni Koufonikolakou, at the Culture Workshop.

May 3, 2022: Event for the "Acceleration of Justice and Child-Friendly Justice" was co-organized by the Acceleration of Justice Movement together with ICC WomenHellas in the ceremony hall of the Athens Bar Association.

May 19, 2022: Participation of NCR in a very meaningful event organized by the students of the A2 section of the High School of the Saint-Paul – Delasalle School on the occasion of the war in Ukraine.

June 3, 2022: Joint announcement with 34 other Civil Society organizations on the need for an institutional framework to ensure the proper functioning of child protection structures, strengthen deinstitutionalization, and holistic reform of child protection for the benefit of children.

June 16, 2022: We attended the Reader's Awards and celebrated 10 years!

July 7, 2022: We visited the City Hall! A group of 10 children from the Culture Workshop and the Adolescent Network were guided to the City Hall in Kotzia Square and discussed with Mayor Kostas Bakoyannis and Deputy Mayor Katerina Gagakis the inclusion of young people in Athens.

July 9-12: The teenagers of the theater group of the Teen Network were in Montpellier presenting the play "I'm a Creep" to a French audience and attended a series of theater-pedagogical workshops with the aim of presenting a satirical show, in collaboration with the French group teenagers of the French collective Je Par A Zart.

July 10, 2022: Koula Panagou, Coordinator of Educational Programs of NCR, and Kostas Parissis, musician, spoke about their experience in creating the book/cd "If we sing to You" | Our Rights become Songs" in a podcast on Melodia Fm! (INCLUDE LINK TOO)

July 15, 2022: We participated by invitation in the meeting of the Standing Committee on Public Administration, Public Order, and Justice.

September 29, 2022: We celebrated the official launch of the collectible vinyl "If we sing them to You? Our Rights become Songs".

October 12, 2022: We collaborated with AMKE Technes at the mixer for the implementation of the M.A.R.I.K.A. theatrical educational program. "Speak. Listen. Ask. Tell. Understand. Change."

October 15, 2022: As part of the "A healthy life without Plastic is Children's right!" program, our teachers attended an educational seminar on environmental protection and the reduction of plastics.

30 October 2022: Our submission to the public consultation on the National Action Plan for the Protection of Children from Sexual Abuse and Exploitation 2022-2027.

18 November 2022: On the occasion of the European Day for the Protection of Children against Sexual Exploitation and Abuse, we joined our voice with 76 other Civil Society and Child Rights organizations in an open letter to the European Union.

November 21, 2022: We met in Komotini and participated in the 12-hour event "My CHILD... Right" organized by the Municipality of Komotini, the Exagono Center for Youth and Volunteering of the Municipality of Komotini and the CounSEp Thrace Kinitro Consulting.

December 15: Young Journalists had the opportunity to meet the US Ambassador, Mr. George Tsunis. The interesting interview will soon be published in the 26th issue of the Migratory Birds newspaper, which is expected to be released in June 2023.

December 19, 2022: We celebrated Christmas with an event at KN Group_Design that works! The event had it all, from creative workshops, to live song performances and a grand bazaar!

Thank you!

We implement all our actions and programs with enthusiasm and passion. The proof is the quality actions and programs that we plan and implement thanks to the

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