

“Participation of Young People in Youth Information Work”

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European Seminar, organised jointly by ERYICA, Eurodesk and EYCA,
in the framework of the Austrian Presidency of the European Union

<p>DESCRIPTION OF INITIATIVE OR PROJECT INVOLVING YOUNG PEOPLE DIRECTLY IN AN ASPECT OF YOUTH INFORMATION WORK included in Compendium of Projects prepared for the European Seminar</p>
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Ref: **06-30**

Organisation: **InformaGiovani, Brindisi**

European Affiliation: **Eurodesk**

1. **Name of Initiative** (project, activity, service or product):

30 - ITALY: Progetto “Laboratorio Europa”
 (“Europe Laboratory” Project)

2. **Description of Initiative or Project** (*please give a short but complete description, including the aim of the initiative or project*):

The project “Laboratorio Europa” has been organised twice, in 2004 and 2005. Eurodesk Local Relays from different Italian regions are involved in the project. The number of participants has increased. In the 2005 project, students and teacher of high schools have had the possibility to explore important European topics through three information and training meetings held in February and March. Another meeting was held on 26 April 2005, where students with the person responsible for Eurodesk in Brindisi have discussed several proposals about European topics. The result of this session was four resolutions that have been discussed during the plenary session in Viterbo on 13 May 2005. These were then adopted during the simulation of a parliamentary plenary session, where about 350 students from different Italian regions have been able to confront their ideas on important European topics. This project may be repeated in 2006.

3. **Form of Youth Participation in Youth Information Addressed by This Initiative :**

(*please click on / activate the box which corresponds to your answer*)

This is:

- a) An initiative or project that **involves young people directly in the identification of the information needs of young people in their locality or field of interest**
- b) An initiative or project that **involves young people directly in the designing and preparation of information magazines and materials** (for a young public)
- c) An initiative or project that **involves young people directly in informing or advising other young people**
- d) An initiative or project that **involves young people directly in managing or evaluating youth information centres or other services** (such as a youth card)
- e) An initiative or project that addresses **another aspect of youth participation in youth information work** (please specify the aspect):

Increase awareness of the need for active citizenship.

4. Name and Address of Organisation Responsible for This Initiative:	
Name:	Centro InformaGiovani, Comune di Brindisi
Address:	Piazza Matteotti 1, I-72100 Brindisi, Italy
5. Name and E-mail Address of Person to Contact (for information about this initiative):	
Name:	Cosimo Mevoli (responsible for Eurodesk)
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6. Who Participated in This Initiative ?	
Italian Eurodesk Local Relays – Four high school of Brindisi – City of Brindisi About 80 students for the activities carried out in Brindisi	
7. What Was the Scope of This Initiative? (please click on / activate the box which corresponds to your answer)	
Local <input type="checkbox"/>	Regional <input type="checkbox"/>
National <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	European <input type="checkbox"/>
8. When Was This Initiative Undertaken (please state the date when the activity was started, when it finished, or if it is still continuing):	
1 st project: from December 2003 to May 2004 2 nd project: from December 2004 to May 2005	
9. What Were the Results Obtained by This Initiative?	
The project has enabled the students to observe Europe in a better way, and make a detailed analysis of important European topics. Students have improved their knowledge about European institutions, and in particular about the European youth policy. The project has benefited from contributions of other Eurodesk partners.	
10. Report – Publication – Other Product (if there is a report, publication or other “product” relating to this initiative, please state where it can be obtained or consulted, and in which language):	
The following material is available concerning this initiative: (please click on / activate the box which corresponds to your answer)	
Report <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Publication <input type="checkbox"/>
Other Product (specify) <input type="checkbox"/>	
Title:	
Language(s):	
Can be consulted / downloaded at this web-site:	
Can be obtained from (address of organisation): Comune di Brindisi – PLD Eurodesk	
11. Additional Information	
The project is organised every year and stimulates the holding of thematic seminars about active citizenship. One of them was held on 11 November 2004, with the participation of about 140 young people.	

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