

## “Participation of Young People in Youth Information Work”

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<p><b>DESCRIPTION OF INITIATIVE OR PROJECT INVOLVING YOUNG PEOPLE DIRECTLY IN AN ASPECT OF YOUTH INFORMATION WORK</b> included in Compendium of Projects prepared for the European Seminar</p>
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Ref: **06-35**

Organisation: **NYIC**

European Affiliation: **ERYICA**

<p>1. <b>Name of Initiative</b> (project, activity, service or product):</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>35 - MALTA: National Youth Portal</b></p>
<p>2. <b>Description of Initiative or Project</b> (please give a short but complete description, including the aim of the initiative or project):</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>“Youth Info”</b> (<a href="http://www.youthinfo.gov.mt">www.youthinfo.gov.mt</a>) consists of most of the information that will be readily available at the National Youth Information Centre (NYIC). One can sum it up as “anything youth”. The web portal allows young persons to obtain quality information, through regular updates, on numerous themes and subjects that might interest them. It will also serve to counteract the multiplication of various and scattered information sources.</p>
<p>3. <b>Form of Youth Participation in Youth Information Addressed by This Initiative :</b> (please click on / activate the box which corresponds to your answer)</p> <p>This is:</p> <p>a) An initiative or project that <b>involves young people directly in the identification of the information needs of young people in their locality or field of interest</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/></p> <p>b) An initiative or project that <b>involves young people directly in the designing and preparation of information magazines and materials</b> (for a young public) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/></p> <p>c) An initiative or project that <b>involves young people directly in informing or advising other young people</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/></p> <p>d) An initiative or project that <b>involves young people directly in managing or evaluating youth information centres or other services</b> (such as a youth card) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/></p> <p>e) An initiative or project that addresses <b>another aspect of youth participation in youth information work</b> (please specify the aspect): <input checked="" type="checkbox"/></p> <p>The web portal increases the networking opportunities for Youth Centres and Organisations which have young people as their target group.</p>

<b>4. Name and Address of Organisation Responsible for This Initiative:</b>			
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<b>5. Name and E-mail Address of Person to Contact</b> (for information about this initiative):			
Name:	Robert Cassar		
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<b>6. Who Participated in This Initiative ?</b>			
Youth, Employment, Health & Culture Government Agencies and NGOs			
<b>7. What Was the Scope of This Initiative?</b> (please click on / activate the box <b>which corresponds to your answer</b> )			
Local <input type="checkbox"/>	Regional <input type="checkbox"/>	National <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	European <input type="checkbox"/>
<b>8. When Was This Initiative Undertaken</b> (please state the date when the activity was started, when it finished, or if it is still continuing):			
The web portal was launched on 21 March 2006 (Malta's National Youth Day).			
<b>9. What Were the Results Obtained by This Initiative?</b>			
It brought youth participation and information on the same level. It will also further strengthen the one-stop-shop approach.			
<b>10. Report – Publication – Other Product</b> (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 <b>which corresponds to your answer</b> )			
Report <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Publication <input type="checkbox"/>	Other Product (specify) ..... <input type="checkbox"/>	
Title: .....			
Language(s): English			
Can be consulted / downloaded at this web-site: .....			
Can be obtained from (address of organisation): nyic@mcast.edu.mt			
<b>11. Additional Information:</b>			
Young people were involved in all levels of the web portal. The design and web structure was prepared by a team of 19-year old students. The photographic material of the web portal was provided by a young photographer (a volunteer). The articles were written by several young persons who had knowledge about the topic in question.			

This description form has been completed by:

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