



NEWSLETTER

Dear interdiac colleagues & friends,

We are pleased to introduce you the last edition of the interdiac Newsletter 2010. We would like to use this opportunity to express to our deep gratitude for all your effort to make interdiac a growing & serving organization across the region of Central & Eastern Europe. The year 2010 has been a special year in so many ways. Alongside new developmental lines, your contributions, both professional & personal have been highly valued. Thank you very much and let's wish ourselves true Wisdom, Joy and Endurance for next year 2011.

interdiac Management Team

What has been happening ?

- **interdiac Executive Board met on the 8th November 2010**
- **The members of Honorary council gathered for 3 days development meeting**
- **Interdiac Advisory Board took place on the 11th November 2010**
- **Curriculum Development Team met on the 29th November**

interdiac Executive Board meeting took place on

8th November 2010

The Executive Board members met for a day meeting in order to supervise the key activities of the interdiac Management Team. The Management Team presented a Report on Activities & Education progress in the period from January till September. The main focus of brainstorming & discussion was put on the framework conditions & strategic thoughts about the planned Double Degree programme.

The strategy for different kinds of partnerships with interdiac has been newly revised and recommended for the approval of the December Board meeting.

It was agreed that Management team will elaborate the Work Plan and Budget 2011 in line with discussed documents on curriculum development.

The last session of Board meeting was devoted to Elaboration of the Report towards the Advisory Board as is required by the interdiac Statute.

interdiac Advisory Board met on the 11th November 2010

The main purpose of Advisory Board meeting was to evaluate the Activities and Finances 2009 and supervise the Actions of Executive Board. Besides this, the key activities of year 2010 have been drawn on by the Management Team as the basis work priority areas for the year 2011. In respect to the assessment, the Annual Report 2009 has been unanimously approved and the supportive attitude & recognition of the further activities have been expressed.

Interdiac Honorary Council Meeting was held in November

The Honorary Council meeting took place in the premises of interdiac in Český Těšín, Czech Republic, from November 9, 2010 to November 12, 2010.

Thirteen members of Honorary Council from nine different countries came to Český Těšín to take part in this three-day meeting.

The representatives of partner organisations gather at least once a year to be involved in the collaborative development of interdiac and the implementation of its activities.

The main reason why they gathered recently in Český Těšín was reporting on recent and ongoing interdiac activities & curriculum development for the new double degree programme.

The most discussed topics were Networking and Partnership building, Expectations of a new development of the interdiac, vision and concepts for the development of interdiac for 2011 and beyond were elaborated.

The participants also shared ideas about the Bratislava Declaration and follow up. This Honorary Council meeting can be marked as very fruitful and useful and the whole atmosphere of the meeting was friendly and pleasant.

Information on progress of project " Mobile Workshops" & Handbook

The project of Mobile Workshops "Innovative Training for Social Cohesion for and with Youth" is slowly approaching to its end.



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*'Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace,
good will toward humankind'. Lk 2, 14*

*Human understanding,
empathy and willingness to serve
do not recognise borders.*



Your interdiac team wish you a blessed 2011

Now we are in the "follow up" period after the second Mobile Workshop in Novi Sad in which the participants work intensively on their assignments - handbook tasks, mini research, placement and report, presentation. At the end of January, after the evaluation of these assignments they will obtain a Diploma with credits. They can get the maximum of 18 credits in the system of ECTS (European Credit Transfer System.)

At the same time we are working on issuing the first interdiac handbook with a CD. It will be devoted to work with young people from disadvantaged social background. The volunteers, activists or paid young workers who work with this group of young people, especially in Central and eastern Europe, will be able to find a lots of methods and tools for their everyday work in it. But not only these methods and tools which facilitate work with youth but also many thoughts and insights to process of motivation, expectation, involvement and participation. To illustrate the situation of excluded young people in the region analytical material will be added to the handbook, too.

The handbook is a common product of the participants of Mobile Workshops and the lecturers. Its content is based on everyday experience from work with youth and the ideas in it were tested in interdiac learning programmes.

Publishing of the handbook is planned for the end of January 2011.

Meeting of Curriculum Development Team, 29th November 2010

A multiprofessional and multisectoral team of 7 members met for one day in Prague to discuss the crucial points on the curriculum development. The critical aspects mainly related to the understandings of the contents and specific conditions

The project of Mobile Workshops 'Innovative Training for Social Cohesion for and with Youth' is financially supported within the framework of the EU programme Youth in Action.

According to the work plan, it is so foreseen that the 1st Draft of Curriculum will be ready by the end of January 2011, so that members of the Honorary council will make their contributions to the contents under the supervision of interdiac Programme Supporter, Mrs. Jolana Rucká who will work closely with Head of Education, Mr. Tony Addy.

The next face to face meeting of the Curriculum Development Team is planned for the 1st February 2011 in Prague. It will also deal with the framework conditions for Accreditation procedure.

Invitation to visit interdiac web site with updated information

You are welcomed to visit interdiac web side where you will recognize some restructuring with much interesting information on follow up actions of the Consultation event and Mobile Workshop project.

Interdiac projects were approved

We are happy to announce to you that new projects on Training and Learning have been approved by Czech national agency. We will come back to you with more information in January 2011 as the implementation dates of their activities approaches. We are looking forward for cooperation with all of you who expressed your commitments with preliminary agreements.

Announcement

The interdiac office will be closed from 21st December 2010 till 3rd January 2011. We will respond to your e-mails as soon as possible in the first week of January 2011. In urgent cases, please, give a call or text message to Mrs. J. Adameova, + 420 731 401 449.



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