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NEWSLETTER

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FIRST AID COURSE

In an effort to make sure that EUPA staff can handle any emergency that may arise, Malta First Aid was invited to deliver an extensive and comprehensive first aid course to all EUPA employees last April. During the course EUPA engaged in a variety of hands on and theoretical tasks to continue furthering their knowledge about how to use the office's AED, give CPR and save someone from choking, alongside many other skills. Some of EUPA's staff did their exam and are now qualified first aiders.



25th April - First Aid Course EUPA Offices

INFORMATION SESSIONS

As part of EUPA's efforts to continue spreading knowledge about Erasmus+, an information session was organised at the Church Schools Biology Teachers' COPE session. While here, EUPA gave an invaluable overview of all the benefits that the Erasmus+ programme offers and the amazing opportunities it gives to both students and staff. The agency also answered the Biology's educators queries and encouraged their enthusiasm in applying.



April - Biology educators learning more about Erasmus+

EUROPE DAY 2024

As part of this year's Europe Day celebrations all across Malta and the European Union, EUPA participated in three activities across the Maltese islands. On the 1st May at Ta' Qali, the 10th May at Valletta and the 11th May at Gozo, EUPA had the opportunity to speak to many interested attendees about Erasmus+, European Solidarity Corps and Europass. This year's edition of Europe Day was extra special as 2024 marked 20 years since the historic Schuman declaration, celebrating peace and unity all across Europe.



10th May - Europe Day at Valletta



Inclusion officers from different national agencies discussing the way forward on mental health last May

MENTAL HEALTH MEETING SERBIA

For 2 days, EUPA's Inclusion Officer, Ms Dorianne Cerovac Pawney together with representatives from national agencies all across the European Union met in Serbia to learn more about mental health practices that can be implemented by youth workers. EUPA Malta's very own inclusion officer was present to share experience of Malta's mental health situation with other countries while also exchanging strategies and resources and how everyone can deal with mental health issues in their own respective countries and Erasmus+: Youth in Action & European Solidarity Corps projects. Such a meeting is part of a bigger strategy where mental health and wellbeing of youth are fundamental to the European Youth Goals and the EU Youth Strategy 2019-2027.

PUBLIC EXPO 2024

This year, EUPA had its stand at the exciting Public Service Expo held at Ta' Qali between the 15th and 19th May. Here, many Maltese entities and agencies got to showcase their incredible work to the general public. EUPA was part of the Fondi.eu stand, where many European Union funds-based agencies, all gathered together to highlight the importance of the EU's works across Malta and Gozo. Together, they exchanged valuable perceptions, and reinforced their commitment to serving the community. It was a roaring success all around.



May 2024 Public Expo



17th May - 15 organisations at the ESC annual event

THE EUROPEAN SOLIDARITY CORPS (ESC) ANNUAL EVENTS

May saw EUPA's Youth Team organising two Annual Events related to the European Solidarity Corps. The ESC Annual event was organised on the 17th May and saw 65 participants from 15 organisations, including volunteers and participants from solidarity projects coming together to exchange their experiences, cultivating a culturally rich environment. The European Solidarity Corps (ESC) Quality Label Holders Annual Event was then held on the 25th May. Here, 10 different organisations that hold Lead, Host and Support roles joined to discuss ESC policy priorities and YouthPass while also networking with one another.



25th May - 10 organisations at the Quality Label Holders Annual Event

CIOST 2024

May also marked the return of the annual CIOST Training. The meeting was attended by our Communications Team members : Ms Dorianne Cerovac Pawney and Ms Gabriella Baldacchino . This year, CIOST 2024 took place at Las Palmas de Gran Canaria in Spain. Organised by Salto, EUPA got to learn all about the recent updates through a variety of activities. This involved multiple workshops such as 'Customer Journey Mapping Tools', 'Inclusive Digital Communication in Youth Information Services', 'Resource for Better Outreach & Participation in Democratic life' as well as a meeting with the RAY network. During the five days of learning and networking, EUPA walked away feeling better equipped and more knowledgeable on how to communicate as effectively as possible with our audience.



During one of the CIOST workshops



Europass representatives coming together in Brussels

EUROPASS BRUSSELS

During June, Mr Clifford Debattista, a EUPA representative visited Brussels for the Joint Policy Network Meeting and the Europass Advisory Group Meeting. The event saw representatives from National Europass Centres, Euroguidance centres and European Qualifications Framework (EQF) Contact Points from countries all across EU and other participating countries all coming together to discuss a variety of subjects. This included topics such as the possibility of a stronger collaboration between the 3 network, where the poster produced beforehand was presented. Amongst others, the vision for Europass 2024 - 2026 was also addressed. Such meetings continue helping EUPA to make this extremely important tool that much more accessible.

DISCOVER EU MEETUP

Between the 24th and 26th June, EUPA held a Discover EU meetup across the Maltese islands. Eager participants arrived in Malta and spent 3 days going round Valletta, Mdina, the three cities and Gozo, doing a variety of activities all highlighting the rich and interesting culture of the country. This included an interactive medieval activity, another interactive event at MUZA and around Valletta, a boat ride across the Grand Harbour, as well as a sustainable agritourism experience surrounding Gozitan food.



26th June - Discover EU Participants in Gozo

I CHOOSE

NAGĦŻEL IL-KARRIERA TIEGHI

Visit us and benefit from a number of talks delivered by professionals in the various subject areas. You will also be able to ask questions and seek advice.

I CHOOSE TALKS Friday, 19th July 2024 16.00 - 20.00hrs | Excelsior Hotel, Floriana

Time	Venue 1	Venue 2
16.00 - 16.30	Careers in the EU	A Career in the Teaching Profession
16.30 - 17.00	Europe is calling! Become an interpreter for the EU	Working in the Culture and Creativity Sector
17.15 - 17.45	Careers in Law	Careers in the Public Sector
18.00 - 18.30	Careers in ICT	Careers in Finance: Your journey towards unlimited opportunities
18.45 - 19.15	Languages for any Career	Careers in Economics
19.30 - 20.00	Careers in the Maritime Industry	Careers in Insurance

I CHOOSE TALKS Saturday, 20th July 2024 09.00 - 13.00hrs | Excelsior Hotel, Floriana

Time	Venue 1	Venue 2
09.00 - 09.30	Careers in the Filming Industry	A Career with the Malta Police
09.30 - 10.00	Careers in Engineering	Careers in Tourism
10.15 - 10.45	Careers in Health Care	Careers in Journalism and the Media
11.00 - 11.30	Science in Careers	Careers in Agriculture, Fisheries and Veterinary Sciences
11.45 - 12.15	Careers in the Pharmaceutical Industry	Careers in the Armed Forces of Malta
12.30 - 13.00	Careers in the Social Well-being Sector	Careers in Construction

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All the talks being held at iChoose

COME AND JOIN US AT I CHOOSE THIS JULY

If you're a student thinking about the next step to jump start your career, come and join us at the iChoose fair being held on the 19th (4pm-8pm) and 20th July (9am-1pm) at the Grand Excelsior Hotel. Here, students will get the chance to learn more about how to use Europass, an online tool which will help them showcase their achievements and qualities when applying for a job. They can even play the 'Europass board game: The Pathway to Success' and discover more qualities about themselves for an even better CV, cover letter etc. While there, attendees will also have the opportunity to learn more about how they can participate in Erasmus+ and the European Solidarity Corps. Attendees are welcome to attend a variety of talks at the fair all surrounding the topics of their future in their education and career.

TRAINING OPPORTUNITIES!

In the upcoming months there are multiple training courses and activities planned ahead. Set to be held across multiple countries across Europe, current and future Erasmus beneficiaries can attend and continue furthering their knowledge on a vast number of topics.

- **Erasmus + Partnership Building Activity - Women and the Labor Market in Jordan** - Dead Sea, Jordan: A partnership-building activity open to youth workers who focus on the topic of "women and the labor market" in programme countries and the Southern Mediterranean region. (Deadline : 17th July)



- **Social Sport as a Tool for Social Inclusion - PBA LTA YouSport** - Misano Adriatico (RN), Italy: An activity offering the chance to explore the power of social sport as a tool for social inclusion. This will be an opportunity to foster collaborations between sports and youth work at both local and international levels. (Deadline: 26th July)
- **Study Visits on Inclusion and Diversity in Czech Organisations Involved in Volunteering** - Český Těšín (The Silesian Region), Czech Republic: An event for participants to meet, explore and discuss practices and experiences in order to get inspired and network. It will mainly centre the priority of inclusion and diversity. (Deadline: 12th August)
- **(Youth)Boost Your Cooperation** - Prague, Czech Republic: An opportunity for partnership building and knowledge exchange. The ideal opportunity for less experienced organisations working with inclusion & youth to help them engage effectively in KA2 projects. (Deadline: 28th August)
- **Volunteering Teams as a Tool to Support Inclusion** - Yspertal, Austria: A partnership-building activity designed for organisations seeking partners and ideas to enhance inclusivity in volunteering projects. A chance to network, learn, and create long-term partnerships in an international setting. (Deadline: 1st September)
- **TOSCA - Training and support for organisations active in European Solidarity Corps** - Sofia, Bulgaria: This edition of TOSCA is honing in on active participation and civic engagement within European Solidarity Corps projects. (Deadline: 6th September)
- **Embrace inclusion and diversity in your Erasmus+ projects Seminar** - Malta: A thought provoking seminar revolving around inclusion and diversity, with a specific emphasis on outreach to people with fewer opportunities. (Deadline: 10th September)

UPCOMING OCTOBER DEADLINES

Multiple Erasmus+ and European Solidarity Corps application deadlines are currently open! Take the leap and apply for a project to see the benefits that Erasmus+ and the European Solidarity Corps can have on your organisation.

All the following applications close on the 1st October, 2024:

Erasmus+ Key Action 1:

- Mobility of individuals in the field of youth
- Erasmus Accreditations in school, education, vocational education training, adult education and youth.
- DiscoverEU Inclusion Action
- Mobility of individuals in the field of adult education.
- Mobility of individuals in sport.

Erasmus+ Key Action 2:

- Cooperation partnerships in the field of youth
- Small-scale partnerships in the fields of school education, vocational education training, adult education and youth.

European Solidarity Corps:

- Volunteering Projects
- Solidarity Projects

