



THE 5th INTERCITY YOUTH CONFERENCE


YOUTH WORK

LEARNING FOR LIFE, LEARNING FOR LABOUR

CINISELLO BALSAMO / MILANO / ITALY

17 - 18 - 19 OCTOBER 2016

REPORT



Report from the InterCity Youth Conference “Youth Work. Learning for life, learning for labour”, Oct 17-19, 2016. Cinisello Balsamo and Milan, Italy. The Municipality of Cinisello Balsamo together with ANCI Lombardia, AnciLab La Casa dei Comuni, Agenzia Nazionale per i Giovani and the European network InterCity Youth, arranged the fifth InterCity Youth Conference entitled “YOUTH WORK – LEARNING FOR LIFE, LEARNING FOR LABOUR”, which was held on 17-19 October 2016 in Cinisello Balsamo and in Milan, Italy. The conference was co-financed by Agenzia Nazionale per i Giovani and Regione Lombardia.

Monday 17 October - EFFECTIVENESS OF THE YOUTH WORK

First day's theme of the Conference was: Youth Policies.

The opening speakers were: Jonas Agdur ,Chair InterCity Youth, who talked about the problem of getting a job (nowadays the majority of young people hasn't a permanent employment) and also about young people finding their place in the society. Siria Trezzi, Major of Cinisello Balsamo and Vice President of ANCI Lombardia, explained Youth Work initiatives in Cinisello Balsamo and she also talked about a common language for young people as the better way to promote them.

The first Keynote speaker was Massimo Capano who explained the meaning of Youth Work and the social investments in Cinisello Balsamo. According to him, we should focus on young people creating links between their Key Competences, the society and labour market. The second Keynote speaker was Nicola Basile. He pointed out that Youth Work can be innovate through networks, platforms, centers for young people. Giovanni Campagnoli was the third Keynote speaker; he talked about reactivation of abandoned and disused spaces. His opinion was that we have to help each other. Uli Gläss, International Munich Art Lab, talked about the connection between young people and art. He also explained his experience of Art Lab.

Roberto Limentani, Managing Director, talked about his experience of Creia.

Dr John Bamber from Center for Effective Services in Ireland talked about the importance of partnership and of working on a project to help young people to discover their competences. Conor Rowley, Principal officer of Ireland, has presented Non-Formal Education. The Conference had about 200 participants from different countries who had the chance to learn about Youth Work from various parts of Europe and to make new contacts for future common project within the InterCity Youth network. At the end of the first day the participants were invited to visit one of the four Study Visits-Places they had chosen. The places were: CAG Icaro Youth Center, Hubout Laboratorio Creativo, Hobout Co-working Villa Forno and HubDesio Giovani. Then they went to the conference dinner where they could tell to each other their own experience of the Study Visit.

Tuesday 18 October - YOUNG CITY MAKERS

The theme of the second day was: Young people as central element for the development and growth of the city. The day started with Eleonora Voltolina, founder of the website Repubblica degli Stagisti and Annibale D'Elia; they both gave a full introduction to Intercity Youth and explained their own experiences. Eleonora Voltolina's idea was that young people believe they have less opportunities so they participate less to stage and internship initiatives; in this way they don't join the labour world.

Her solution consists in working on welfare and trying to point out available job opportunities through new technological means. Annibale D'Elia talked about "Bollenti Spiriti: Young People as an opportunity for change." He explained the origin of his region Puglia, which has an unemployment rate of 50%; for this reason young people are forced to emigrate. Our task is to let young people discover and realise their interests with the aim of getting a proper job and living in their own land. Antonella Pasquariello, Camst Group President, faced the theme of young people and the future of the company. She talked about the actions of the company to support young people finding a job and also the integration of them in labor market.

Then follow the seminars:

A. NON- INFORMAL AND INFORMAL LEARNING BASED ON CREATIVITY Angelica Villa presented the development and promotion of youth work as an approach to implement active learning. In particular she explained the experience of BASE Milano. An other example of innovative approach based on promoting creativity and Youth initiative was the experience of Straten Ger and Esther van Grinsven. They talked about Youth work in Netherlands.

C. FROM LEISURE TIME ACTIVITIES TO COMPETENCES IN LIFE AND LABOR Giuseppe Imbrogno presented how youth work activities, based on young people's interests, can lead to employment. Marco Lanza explained the experience of Yatta! Fai da noi.as a place to learn and made. Pasi Touminem talked about Youth work, gaming and labor market. He also presented 3 cases in Finland.

E. THE PRIORITY OF YOUTH WORK TODAY: CREATE OPPORTUNITIES TO LEARNING BY DOING Martina Signorini explained why learning by doing approaches are especially important today. Sebastiano Megale presented the opportunities to learning by doing in more than 700 Municipalities in Lombardy. Kai Van Nieuwenhove talked about Youth Work in Belgium.

F. YOUTH WORK SUPPORT YOUNG PEOPLE TO BE POLITICAL CITIZEN Veronica Salerio (www.zoneartistichecondivise.it) explained how youth work can contribute to active citizenship and political awareness. Ilaria Salerio talked about Hubout ZAC of Cinisello Balsamo. It is a participatory platform for citizens. Gerd Grüneisl explained the experience of the city of Munich.

G. VALIDATION OF NON-FORMAL LEARNING Emanuele Polizzi explained the best way to facilitate inclusion on the labor market. Jenny Andersson talked about ELD as a method to recognise and enhance non-formal learning. Chiara Carlino talked about Open Badge and the importance of evaluation and certification of nonformal learning.

H. YOUTH WORK AND PARTICIPATION. WHAT DO YOUNG PEOPLE LEARN THROUGH PARTICIPATION IN EVERY DAY YOUTH WORK? Avanzi explained the effects of participation on the life and employability of young people. Kerstin Hof and Stefan Fischer explained the experience of Munich Youth centres.

I. NEW TRENDS IN YOUTH INFORMATION COUNSELLING AND DIALOGUE Ramon Magi explained how and why youth information centres are still relevant. He talked about Eurodesk Italy. Merja Nordling and Tuula Soininkallio talked about ON-STOP GUIDANCE CENTRES. Beratung für Jugendliche, Ernest Hodciz, Costanze Späth and Thomas Grashei talked about Infofon und info4mux.

J. MANAGING YOUTH WORK Sophie Marque presented the contracting, controlling, planning and development of youth work. Jenny Andresson presented "The Logbook", a European system for documentation and follow up on Youth Work. Tarja Marks explained the municipal youth authority of Munich steering system.

K. YOUTH WORK QUALITY DEVELOPMENT Jonas Agdur explained how to work with systematic and holistic quality development of youth work. Elena Di Giorgi talked about a school for youth workers., Coop. Vedogiovani.

L. SPECIAL SESSION: TOWARDS LOCAL PACT FOR YOUTH EMPLOYABILITY Paola Merlini presented the conditions and strategies to promote youth entrepreneurship. Nicola Basile, Massimo Ruggeri and Sonia Bella explained the experiences of their city: Link on Labour of Cinisello Balsamo, Lab6 of Brescia and MI generation of Milan.

At the end of the second day the participants were invited to visit one of the four "Study Visits Places" they have chosen. The places were: Desio Incontra Giovani, Hubout Laboratorio Creativo, CAG Icaro Youth Center and Hubout Co-working Villa Forno. Then they went to the conference dinner where they could tell to each other their own experience of the Study Visit.

Wednesday 19 October - "POLICIES AND STRATEGIES"

The third day ended with the reports of three big Italian cities (Milano, Torino and Bergamo) and a debate among Italian and European experts on ideas and problems highlighted during the Conference.

Pier Attilio Superti, Secretary-General of Anci Lombardia, welcomed the participants to the Conference and pointed out the aim of the Municipality of Milan: offering to Young People opportunity of education and employment. Onelia Rivolta, Deputy Director AnciLab, illustrated accession measures for job learning.

Anna Scavuzzo, deputy major, explained cultural, professional, artistic and creative offers of Lombard territory. Elisa Gambardella, Advisor Unit of the Minister of Labor, talked about strategies to help young people to get a job.

Sergio Capitanio, for Municipality of Bergamo, talked about youth work policies and young activation. He also explained the experience of his city. Franca Sedda and Mauro Cappella, municipality of Turin, talked about the experience of Turin. The Conference closed with the greetings of Massimo Capano, Jonas Agdur and Kai Van Nieuwenhove and the last lunch all together.

THANK YOU ALL!!! SEE YOU IN BELGIUM 2017



www.comune.cinisello-balsamo.mi.it
www.facebook.com/startup.nordmilano
youthwork@comune.cinisello-balsamo.mi.it



#YOUTHWORK16