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Hello Yordanka,

We are happy to present this new edition of our Newsletter. Here you can find interesting news about MIJARC Europe's work, what is going on around Europe in the youth field and the last news from MIJARC Europe member movements.

We hope you enjoy the reading.

MIJARC News

MIJARC Europe Summer camp 2013

"Building Bridges for a More Inclusive Rural Europe"



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From the 26th to the 31st of July, 39 rural young people from France, Belgium, Germany, Bulgaria,

Poland and Romania gathered in Harghita County, Romania for MIJARC Europe Summer Camp 2013, thanks to the support of the Youth in Action Programme from the European Commission. Read more [here](#)

Yordanka Petrova
MIJARC Europe Staff



Hello! I'm Yordanka Petrova, secretary of MIJARC Europe. I'm responsible for the Edition of our Newsletter and I'm willing to receive any news you would like to figure in our next editions. Please send them to my e-mail y.petrova@mijarc.net Thanks to all the contributors to our Newsletter!

MIJARC press release on CAP reform 2014-2020



On June 26th 2013, negotiators from the European Union stated a general framework for the Common Agricultural Policy (CAP) for the coming 2014-2020 period (the CAP covers €360 billions of the EU €960 billions total budget). We as MIJARC, representative of a part of the rural youth in the European Union, want to point out the lack of change from this system that supports agrobusiness and forgets about small farms, a policy that has been implemented since 1994. Read more [here](#)

Olivier Dugrain

Vice-president, MIJARC Europe

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## Being a MIJARC intern...



My first meeting with MIJARC: The European coordination in Dachau. I arrived at the venue and asked at the reception for the people from MIJARC Europe. The answer: We don't know them. A great start, isn't it? But from this point on I knew, it only could get better and in the end, it was so fantastic, that I don't wanted to stop anymore to work for MIJARC and to leave Brussels again. Read more about Tanja's experience [here](#)

**Tanja Köglmeier**

KLJB Germany

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MIJARC Europe seminar 2013

"Rural Youth leading the Change in Society!"



Thanks to the support of the Youth in Action Programme, from the European Commission,

and Renovabis 38 rural young people coming from 8 different countries (Portugal, Spain, France, Germany, Belgium, Poland, Bulgaria and Romania) got together

in Nowy Gierałtów, (Poland), to learn, share and discuss about the meaning of society from the 9th to the 15th of August 2013. About this event read more [here](#)

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MIJARC Europe Staff

MIJARC Europe OGA 2013



This year the
Orientation
General
Assembly
(OGA) of
MIJARC
Europe took

place from the 16th till 18th August 2013, in Poland. This very important milestone in MIJARC Europe's life has started with the welcoming speech by our president Lyubomir Todorov. The delegates approved the Moral Report 2012-2013 and the Financial Report 2012 evaluated the Specific Objectives and Action Plan of MIJARC Europe 2009-2013. They were also attending 3 different working groups about Agriculture, Youth Participation and Faith. What were the main decisions read [here](#)

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MIJARC Europe Staff

NGO management training

27th November to 1st December 2013, Belgium



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BELGIUM

Call for Participants

After our
fruitful OGA,
MIJARC
Europe is
starting to
work on the
implementation

n of the new Specific Objectives and Action Plan. As time is running fast we are spreading the Call for participants to our first activity: the NGO management training, which should be organised this autumn, in Belgium. Please, find here all the information about this training. If you are interested to participate we kindly ask you to send the Registration form before the **15th of September**. Please find more information [here](#)

Ana Silva

MIJARC Europe Secretary

~~~~~ Creating New Opportunities for Young People – What is needed now?



COMECE (the Commission of the Bishops' Conferences of the European Community) organized a conference this

Wednesday, 4th of September 2013, in the European Parliament, calling for concrete political and practical responses to tackle the main obstacles today for youth personal development: unemployment and lack of participation and inclusion of young people.

MIJARC Europe was present, represented by Ana Silva, the European Secretary, who describes us the main key points of this conference [here](#)

Ana Silva

MIJARC Europe Secretary

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## **MIJARC World**

***!!We are looking forward to support your project!!***

As you know MIJARC World has a Solidarity Fund, which supports rural youth work worldwide every year. Normally this money is collected by rural youth groups and each year it is distributed among the different continents, MIJARC World and the Emergency Fund. In 2013 it will be the first time, when 5 percent (about 1350EUR) of the money collected for this Solidarity Fund (27.000EUR in 2013) will go directly to local, diocesan or national projects in each continent. How to apply, please read [here](#)

# Europe News

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## EU Youth Conference in Vilnius



From  
9 to  
12  
Septe  
mber  
the  
EU  
Youth

Conference and the meeting of the Directors General for Youth Affairs will bring together around 250 participants to discuss youth policy priorities focused on social inclusion of young people. EU Youth Conference and the meeting of the Directors General for Youth Affairs is run in each presidency; it involves delegations from 28 Member States, representatives of the European Youth Forum, representatives of the General Secretariat of the EU Council, in charge of youth matters, representatives of International Youth Organisations, EU candidate countries and the countries of the European Economic area. The Conference is organised under the Lithuanian Presidency of the EU Council.. Find more information about the meeting [here](#)

# Members News

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## The Voice of Youth - The Voice of Change



From 20th till  
27th August  
2013, 27 young  
people from  
Botevgrad  
participated in  
project "The

Voice of Youth - The Voice of Change", which took place on the territory of our beautiful Black sea resort "St. St. Constantine and Elena", Varna Municipality. The main objective of the project was to encourage young people from small towns to be active citizens and participate fully in the social life of their communities. Read more [here](#)

**Yonko Dodev**  
YMDRAB Bulgaria

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## Believe in You(th) – Create the Europe of tomorrow!

***YMDRAB's friends from informal group of young people "Support for youth ideas" will implement their first big international project funded by "Youth in Action" Programme***



**Youth  
in Action**

This is a Multilateral Youth  
Exchange, who will be held  
from 2nd to 11th of September

in Pravets Municipality, Bulgaria. The participants will be  
56 youngsters, aged between 15 and 20 years who are  
living in the rural areas of Germany, France, Romania,  
Turkey and Bulgaria. Its main aim is to increase  
awareness of young people from the rural areas of  
Europe on their rights as European citizens and to  
encourage their active and well-grounded participation in  
the democratic life of their local communities. Read more  
[here](#)

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