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Monthly Newsletter of Youth International NGO European Youth Parliament – Ukraine

TOP NEWS OF THE MONTH!

EYP International Session, Prague 2008

The 57th International Session of the European Youth Parliament took place in the Czech Republic this spring. The first part of the event was held in picturesque land of Borovice, where delegates had outside teambuilding activities, followed by productive committee work. The official components of the session were skillfully combined with the evening activities, where everyone had an opportunity to mingle with their peers from all over Europe.



On the very first Saturday during the Eurovillage everyone enjoyed different delicious meals, for instance: German sausages, Swiss and French cheese, Italian breads, and, of course, Ukrainian "salo". On Sunday, when each delegation was to present their country, one could see toreadors from Spain, folk dancers from every country represented, and even Swedes listening and dancing to ABBA. Ukrainian presentation, that included charming singing by Natalya and Illya and dancing by the rest of the delegation, caused a huge round applause.

After teambuilding and committee work all the delegates were transferred to the old and beautiful city of Prague.



There, with their resolutions ready for presentation during the General Assembly (GA), each committee had time to see Prague with its historical monuments and marvelous cathedrals.

The main official part of the session, the GA, brought in a lot of discussions and unexpected turns.

In fact, 14 resolutions out of 18 had passed and will soon be examined by the European Parliament and considered as the initiatives of the European youth.

Call for NS 2008 ORGANIZERS!!!!

Last Year thanks to National Selection, EYP-Ukraine involved new active and interesting people who have already visited some international events or planning to do it.

This year YOU have a possibility to take part in this event by being a member of organizing committee of NS 2008.

To become a part of this outstanding event, please, contact head-organizer of the session Katya Vynogradova at nationals2008@evp-ua.org.

Be active EYPers! Give others a possibility to experience what you had this year!

New People – Fresh Ideas!



Sasha Andrusyk and Olya Smyrnova, both founders and in the past presidents of our NGO, studied there).

The 'interview' was held in a mini-session format, chaired by Nastya Yanovytska. Go Nastya!



excellent opportunities for personal and professional development. And special thank you goes to Zoya Semenivna Gulko, who helped to find premises for the activity!

As a result of the membership interview, EYP-Ukraine now has political scientists, several brilliant English-speakers, French-speakers, and what even more important – its own psychiatrist! .

On April 14th, 2008 EYP-Ukraine interviewed prospective members of EYP as well as conducted a presentation of the organization for the students of Klovsky Lyceum, which has become a cradle of Ukrainian EYP-ers (among others,



The presenters, who were three Katyas (Polulyashenko, Vynogradova and Opanasyuk), and Yulya Babenko, spoke about the great benefits of membership in our organization, which offer



Give some SeNSE to life!

The 3rd Seville National Session of EYP Spain (SeNS) took place in the beautiful Andalusian capital, Seville, from April 16 to April 20 2008.



Five schools from Barcelona, two schools from Gerona, six from Seville and one lyceum from Madrid as well as international delegations from Greece, Romania, Estonia and Ukraine enjoyed five days of a busy EYP style program. As always, it included teambuilding, committee work and GA as well as other activities, such as Eurovillage, expert talks, public speaking workshop and Seville city tours. Each committee worked with an expert, who helped delegates clarify their ideas and form meaningful resolutions. The patrons and honorable guests of the session were Mr. Martínez, Rector of the University Pablo de Olavide of Seville and Mr. García, Member of the European Parliament.



Vita Kaznokha, Yevheniya Melekhovets and Oleksandr Kutereshchyn formed the Ukrainian delegation, and Nina Ivanchenko joined the officials' team of the session as a journalist. Overall, Seville was an ideal location for young Europeans to exchange ideas about current political and social issues as well as to discover diverse cultures.



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Ukrainians took part in the 2nd EYP Baltic Sea Regional Session

Ukrainian delegation of 6 people – Oksana Korchak, Olha Yaromenko, Artem Subbota, Veronika Gilova, Oleksandra Persykova and Anna Suprunenko have participated in the Baltic Regional session which took place in Stockholm, Sweden. This session hosted around 120 participants from the Baltic Sea region and other European countries. The Board was represented by the honorable president of this session – Krista Simberg (FI) and two vice-presidents – Isabella Hayward (SE) and Shane Hamill (IE)



During this session all delegates had an opportunity to listen to the Swedish Minister of Migration - Tobias Billström whose speech was followed by Q/A session. The GA was held at the 2nd chamber of Swedish Parliament – Riksdag, so everyone had a great possibility to feel like a real politician. This session represented a great deal of hard work, ambitious goals and embraced friendship indeed.

IYF 2008



April 3-8, 2008, Robert College European Youth Club hosted the 3rd International Youth Forum in the beautiful city of Istanbul, Turkey. EYP-Ukraine was proud to be represented at this event by two delegates – Nastya Yanovytska and Margaryta Raiska, a journo – Kateryna Vynogradova, and a chairperson – Sasha Mazur.

On April 3, all early-arriving participants had an opportunity to go on a sightseeing tour in the 'city of contrasts' spread along the banks of the Bosphorus.

Friday morning began with a general team-building, during which all participants played the famous EYP games, sang EYP songs as well as each delegation's country song. Ukrainian delegates and officials came up with an original and funny idea of singing a mix of two famous Ukrainian songs. They began with the slow and melancholic 'Yak tebe ne lyubyty, Kyeve miy...' and then moved into the European famous dynamic song 'Lashatunbai' by Verka Serduchka. The evening of the teambuilding day finished with traditional EYP events: Eurovillage and country presentations.

From Saturday morning until Monday evening delegates had to do a lot of work. When working in the committees, they discussed a range of important issues. However, everything eventually comes to an end. After a real red-carpet party, held Sunday evening on a board of a ship, this forum transformed into a lively debate during the General Assembly.



All delegates debated, expressed their opinions, and gained invaluable experience and long-lasting friendships.

International Forum in Erfurt



12 country representatives were present at the International Forum in Erfurt (Austria, Ukraine, Poland, Sweden, the Czech Republic, Hungary, Germany, Ireland, France, Moldova, Norway and Latvia). The Ukrainian delegation included 4 energetic ladies, who were very successful in making positive impressions about Ukraine and its people on the participants of the event!

Alya Babkina, Natasha Tarasevych, Olena Suk and Maryna Yaroshevych did their best. These blue-and-yellow-dressed girls showed the real spirit of our Eastern European country.

In fact, after the General Assembly only 2 delegates out of 80 were selected to take the floor and talk to everybody. These two people were: James from France and Alya from Ukraine (!)

Just 4 days were enough to make people from these different cultures, such great friends with such bursting energy and desire keep in touch even as they go back to their respective countries. "Thank you, EYP, for just being in our life and making all these wonderful events happen!" Some familiar phrases were heard a lot after all the events were over.



May 2008 EYP Calendar

- 08 May** – Kseniya Oksamytna B-Day
- 09 – 11 May** – Moldova Regional Session of EYP Romania
- 11 May** – Day of Europe in Kyiv
- 14 May** - Day of Europe in Odesa
- 16 – 18 May** – Transylvania Regional Session of EYP Romania
- 17 May** - Day of Europe in Donetsk
- 22 May** – Kseniya Chayka B-Day
- 28.05 – 01.06** - National Selection of EYP Germany in Frankfurt

Upcoming EYP events

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| 03-06.07. | Sumy Regional Session | Deadline: 31 May |
| 09-15.07 | Summer Forum in Fontainebleau | 30 May (officials), 15 June (delegates) |
| 25.08-02.09 | Olympic Forum in Greece | Deadline 25 May |
| 04.09-07.09 | 2nd National Session EYP Cyprus | Deadline May 11 (officials only) |