

## 2013 NCG Forum – Your ideas for the future

During the workshop "Your ideas for the future", participants to the 2013 Nantes Creative Generations Forum were invited to share issues, ideas and to make proposals for the future.

Several ideas were highlighted and discussed with all participants during the final debate moderated by the European local media Euradionantes.

Some of the proposals have already been shaped in existing achievements.

This document is to be completed, and we want it to be a co-constructed work, so please do not hesitate to send us more information that we could add to these points.

Some of the participants will have the possibility to get these ideas to the European Parliament in 2014.

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### **1. To give advantages to companies and actor of the private sector that support initiatives brought by civil society and NGO's, for example through state aid or tax cuts, etc.**

More about the issue:

#### In Europe

Patronage and sponsorship activities are different from a country to another:

- Study on "Patronage and sponsorship taxation issues" by the European Committee for Business, Arts and Culture (EN) - 2008

[http://www.admical.org/editor/files/CEREC\\_European\\_Taxation\\_Brochure\\_April\\_2008.pdf](http://www.admical.org/editor/files/CEREC_European_Taxation_Brochure_April_2008.pdf)

- Article on sponsorship in Europe (FR) - 2009

<http://www.taurillon.org/L-Europe-et-le-mecenat-Yes-we-can>

#### In France

Companies or organization can benefit tax cuts when they provide support to civil society whose activity is recognized by the notion of "public interest". (Aillagon Act 2003)

Infos (FR) :

- <http://vosdroits.service-public.fr/professionnels-entreprises/F22263.xhtml>

- <http://www.associations.gouv.fr/694-le-mecenat.html>

Legal and fiscal sponsorship guide (FR):

- [http://www.associations.gouv.fr/IMG/pdf/mecenat\\_guide\\_juridique.pdf](http://www.associations.gouv.fr/IMG/pdf/mecenat_guide_juridique.pdf)

### **2. To recognize and promote volunteering in a project.**

More about this issue:

The promotion of volunteering is carried at European level by many organizations. Within the framework of the 2011 European Year of Volunteering 2011, the EYV 2011 Alliance shaped a

Policy Agenda on Volunteering in Europe (P.A.V.E.) which was presented to the European Commission at the 4th EYV 2011 Thematic Conference on 1st December 2011 in Warsaw.

The EYV 2011 Alliance Policy Agenda on Volunteering in Europe (P.A.V.E) provides recommendations for a more efficient and effective European policy framework to support and promote volunteers, volunteering, volunteer-involving organisations and their partners.

Link:

[http://www.eyv2011.eu/images/stories/pdf/EYV2011Alliance\\_PAVE\\_copyfriendly.pdf](http://www.eyv2011.eu/images/stories/pdf/EYV2011Alliance_PAVE_copyfriendly.pdf)

Report on "Volunteering in the European Union" – 2010

<http://ec.europa.eu/citizenship/pdf/volunteering-in-the-eu-final-report.pdf>

Info:

The European Youth Forum published an article about volunteering issues:

<http://www.youthforum.org/latest-news/european-youth-foundation-grants-acknowledge-volunteers-contribution-to-projects/>

Other link:

- European Volunteer Centre: [www.cev.be](http://www.cev.be)

### **3. To facilitate the creation of a network of projects and citizens in Europe, through the establishment of an online platform.**

There are many existing platforms and networks.

Some examples:

- Atlas: SALTO-YOUTH network database of nearly 5,000 organizations and informal projects

<https://www.salto-youth.net/tools/atlas-partner-finding/>

- Citizens for Europe: Network of actors involved in the field of European citizenship:

[http://citizensforeurope.eu/rubrique57\\_en.html](http://citizensforeurope.eu/rubrique57_en.html)

### **4. To pay attention to the relaxation of selection criteria of some European calls for proposals that might restrict young people's creativity**

New Erasmus + programs on the website of the European Commission:

[http://ec.europa.eu/programmes/erasmus-plus/index\\_en.htm](http://ec.europa.eu/programmes/erasmus-plus/index_en.htm)

### **5. To rethink the way of indexing flat rates for European projects, making them more flexible**

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### **6. To strengthen the implementation of long time funding to NGOs**

In France, at a local level, it is possible to establish conventions with NGOs over several years.