



REPORT: Creating „Debate News for EU“ September 2013

Name of event: Creating „Debate News for EU“

Date(s) of event: September 2013.

Location of event: Sarajevo, Bosnia and Herzegovina

Activities (training, seminar, tournament, etc): Publishing magazine

Number of participants: 8 (Members of the redaction)

Background of participants (type of school, age, ethnic background (if relevant) etc):

Redaction: Tijana Ljuboje – main editor of „Debate News“, Anja Gengo – associate for the permanent section „Students' corner“, Amer Musić – associate for the section „Visiting Debatology“, Amela Ibrahimagić – associate for the permanent section „Words by the Greats“, Anesa Vilić – DTP, Nadina Balagić – associate for coordination with schools and collecting debaters' texts for „Letters received“, Sedika Cerić – associate for the permanent section „Coaches' corner“, Zoran Marčeta – financial assistant.

September issue of Debate News was published on October 5th 2013 on www.ckdbih.com in the section Publications/Debate News. Debate News is free promotional material about CCD's debate activities, and it is free for downloading to all visitors of the website, not only to members of CCD's debate network. The number of visits to CCD's website in September – 1257 shows that Debate News is attracting large attention of the readers who are interested in widening their knowledge on European integrations.

Motions/topics/focus:

Debate News in September was dedicated to two basic topics: European integrations and cultural heritage of BiH. In the introductory word, it was explained that one of the biggest prejudices against the EU is that globalization contributes to the loss of cultural identity of individual countries. It was explained that it is necessary to have an argumented dialogue about the culture of BiH, in order to preserve it and to promote it among other countries in the Europe. It was pointed out that globalization does not mean assimilation of cultures, but a possibility for culture of BiH to be presented to other countries in the world. Considerable part of Debate News was dedicated to life and work of famous personalities and monuments of BiH's cultural heritage.

Within the section „Did you know that“ of September issue of Debate News, the readers were given opportunity to learn more information about the EU founders, European budget and interesting information about European capitals and European countries.

The problem of juvenile delinquency was presented, as one of the most dominant issues in BiH together with the role of the debate in its solving. The draft Law on procedures in work with children and minors in criminal proceedings, which adopted the basic principles from UN Convention on the Rights of the Child, is in parliamentary procedure since 2008. Considering that BiH citizens are waiting for this Law to be passed for five years, and to harmonize the protection of children with the modern legislatives of the world, FBiH does not only violate the rights of children, but at the same time does not care about the security of minors and citizens in general. CCD has organized public debates since 2008, under title „The Perpetrators and the Victims of Criminal Offenses are our Children – Stop Juvenile Delinquency“, with aim to contribute to solving the problem of juvenile delinquency through argumented dialogue between all relevant subjects. This is one of the key steps necessary for BiH to fulfill on its path towards the EU. In September issue of the Debate

News CCD presented the Eleventh public debate dedicated to fight against juvenile delinquency, which was organized on September 13th 2013. The text presented the conclusions and recommendations for overcoming the problem in the justice sector, Ministry of internal affairs, social institutions, disciplinary centers and institutions for education of children, media and non-governmental organizations. These conclusions and recommendations are not only guidelines for acting in the field of solving juvenile delinquency, but also guidelines for BiH's progress on EU path.

Describe what happened/what the participants did in a bit more detail:

Nine sections were presented in September issue of Debate News, which wrote about the importance of European integrations for BiH, the problems with which BiH is faced on its path and the ways to solve the problems:

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Founders of the European Union

Did you know this about the EU?

Solving the problem of juvenile delinquency – a big step ahead to EU

Debate – The tool of knowledge

Young people want to speak – give them a chance

The other side of the medal – Once a debater, always a debater

Through culture of dialogue we preserve and promote cultural heritage of BiH

Debatijada Open 2013

Visiting Debatology: Penalties for non-compliance with women's quota in EU are justified; The dispute about Cyrillic alphabet in Vukovar is in collision with EU values.

Considering that the double issue of Debate News for July/August stated the educational system as one of the biggest problems with which BiH is faced because it is not harmonized with the work market, CCD organized a debate chat room „Young people want to speak – give them a chance“ which enabled young people to talk about the problems in educational system with which they are faced together with the representatives of educational institutions. The most interesting aspects of this discussion were presented in September issue of Debate News.

Remarkable things (quotes, publicity of the event, impact on participants or public, reception, etc):

A new section in Debate News was opened which promoted BiH cultural heritage and spoke about the cultural legacy of BiH. This section was started because a great number of debates in Debatology dedicated to EU had arguments against EU integrations based on the fact that globalization leads to assimilation. Creating new section in Debate News had an objective to promote cultural heritage of BiH and it got a positive response from the debaters. On October 17th 2013 CCD's redaction received an email from debater from SŠC „Petar Kočić“ from Zvornik, who said that the new section dedicated to cultural heritage is great approach and that it attracted the attention of a large number of members of his debate club. He proposed that CCD team announces a competition for delivering creative texts and songs on topic of culture and EU, because this proved to be successful practice which interests young people in previous projects.

Lessons learned (if any):

Young people advanced their knowledge about the EU and broke prejudices about the attitude that globalization contributes to cultural assimilation. The problem of juvenile delinquency was presented and recommendation and conclusions for its overcoming were offered, in order for BiH to create a safe and equitable environment, ready to enter the EU.

Please add 1-3 pictures of the event to the email.

Please provide a link to any video material or photo albums of the event.





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