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Practices on Migration by New Humanity

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Project 1. “Back to Africa: Together for a New Africa”

Description of the policy/practice

Provide interdisciplinary, intercultural, and multi-perspective training paths for new servant leaders for Africa driven by traditional and modern values of universal fraternity and the common good. Empower young Africans to face the challenges of their continent, to help shape the future Africa they want, and to strengthen civil society and government.

Link(s) to resources, outcome reports, etc.

<http://www.new-humanity.org/en/projects/back-to-africa/516-back-to-africa-2.html>

<http://www.new-humanity.org/en/projects/back-to-africa/530-african-youth-contribute-to-the-future-of-their-continent.html>

Time(s) & place(s) of implementation

October 2018 – September 2021

Eastern African Community (Burundi, Kenya, South Sudan, Tanzania, Rwanda, Uganda);
Democratic Republic of Congo

Actors in implementation

New Humanity International Association, Italy

Focolare Movement: Sophia University Institute, Italy; Movement for Unity in Politics and Policy in Rome and in the Democratic Republic of Congo; Mariapolis Piero, Kenya;

Kenya National Commission of UNESCO (KNATCOM)

Catholic University of Eastern Africa (CUEA)

Beneficiaries

Direct beneficiaries

- 100 students from Eastern Africa and DR Congo, between 20 to 35 years old, studying or graduated, engaged in civil society, experts, teachers who want to convey this heritage of values to young people.
- 11 Tutors from Eastern Africa and DR Congo
- Approximately 12 professors and lecturers from the target countries and Europe
- Approximately 1.000 young people in the macro-region involved in local initiatives at the national level.

Indirect beneficiaries

An estimate of 5.000 people benefitting from the leadership qualities of the trainees.

Benefits

By September 2021, there will be a stable network of adults and young people committed to remain in their home countries in Africa to work towards constructive change, promoting the

values of solidarity and fraternity, aiming at the good of their communities, and acting as responsible local and global citizens.

SDG's related to this practice

- 4. Quality Education
- 11. Sustainable Cities and Communities
- 16. Peace, Justice, and Strong Institutions

Relation to the New York Declaration

Paragraph 44. Recognizing that the lack of educational opportunities is often a push factor for migration, particularly for young people, we commit to strengthening capacities in countries of origin, including in educational institutions. We commit also to enhancing employment opportunities, particularly for young people, in countries of origin. We acknowledge also the impact of migration on human capital in countries of origin.

Relation to the Global Compact for Migration

- 2. Minimize the adverse drivers and structural factors that compel people to leave their country of origin.

Relation to the Global Compact on Refugees

- 3. Solutions
 - 3.1. Support for countries of origin and voluntary repatriation

Project 2. “HOST SPOT”

Description of the policy/practice

HostSpot was a project promoted by 10 nongovernmental organizations from 9 countries, funded by the European Commission to spread a culture of understanding and the promotion of human rights. Youths from 9 countries volunteered at welcoming centers in Jordan. They experience a face-to-face encounter with what refugees experience each day.

Link(s) to resources, outcome reports, etc.

<http://www.new-humanity.org/en/projects/host-spot.html>

Time(s) & place(s) of implementation

Jordan. August 2016.

Bad Urach, Germany. 12 – 17 March 2017

Alexandria, Egypt. 28 October – 2 November 2017

Actors in implementation

HOST SPOT was financed by the European Community Erasmus+.

Participating NGOs:

Italy – New Humanity International NGO

Italy - Associazione bNET

Germany- STARKMACHER EV

Jordan- Caritas Jordan

Egypt - Jesuit Cultural Center in Alexandria

Palestine - Vision Association for Culture and Arts

Spain - FUNDACIÓN IGINO GIORDANI

Hungary - Új Város Alapítvány

Ireland - Focolare Trust

Beneficiaries

Young men and women participated to produce short commercial-like television or radio spots accessible by people of all demographics.

Benefits

The young people acquire the necessary knowledge and skills to produce documentaries that tell the real-life stories of the refugees and promote freedom of expression. Short commercial-like television or radio spots have been produced to become part of major television and radio programming and the production of a major video.

The films convey the personal stories and daily life of refugees who are fleeing the Syrian and Iraqi conflict in the camps in Jordan, providing the public with more information for understanding the refugees and for informing their conscience.

The project has **helped to create links and build bridges** among the youth's associations on topics like the pursuit of peace, through dialogue among cultures, formation on today's issues, and information seminars on the mechanisms that rule the media and communication worlds on migration matters.

An experience that has seen **the young protagonists review and** summarize **the activities** already undertaken and decide together how to continue this precious collaboration among the associations, and how to develop projects and put together new synergies in spreading a culture of peace, primarily through training on present issues.

SDG's related to this practice

16. Peace, Justice, and Strong Institutions.

Relation to the New York Declaration

Paragraphs 13, 14, and 15.

Relation to the Global Compact for Migration

Objective 17. Eliminate all forms of discrimination and promote evidence-based public discourse to shape perceptions of migration.

Relation to the Global Compact on Refugees

Paragraph 84.

Project 3. “Interfaith Welcome Coalition”

Description of the policy/practice

In Dilley Texas near San Antonio, a coalition of religious organizations and NGOs called the Interfaith Welcome Coalition supports the families leaving the detention centers by packing hundreds of backpacks; collecting and distributing donated items; helping at a half-way house; assisting families at the bus station or airport.

Link(s) to resources, outcome reports, etc.

<http://interfaithwelcomcoalition.org/about/>
<https://www.facebook.com/texasiwc/>

Time(s) & place(s) of implementation

San Antonio Texas. 2014 to present.

Actors in implementation

- New Humanity participating in a coalition, the Interfaith Welcome Coalition (IWC) which is a faith-based movement meeting the changing needs of asylum seekers, refugees and at-risk immigrants in collaboration with others.
- A coalition of churches, religious and social awareness groups See <https://www.facebook.com/texasiwc/>

Beneficiaries

Refugee families and unaccompanied minors from Central America who pass the credible fear test and are permitted to enter the USA.

Benefits

- Respond to the needs as they present themselves and as they change.
- Provide basic support to people on their journey.
- Educate and advocate to change the systems that impact immigrants.
- Pray in community.

SDG's related to this practice

Paragraphs 4, 23, and 29 of the 2030 Action Agenda.
SDGs 1 and 11.

Relation to the New York Declaration

Paragraphs 27. 32. 39. 80.

Relation to the Global Compact for Migration

OBJECTIVE 15c: Provide access to basic services for migrants

Relation to the Global Compact on Refugees

Paragraphs 40, 41, 84.

Project 4. “Sewing for Peace – Syria”

Description of the policy/practice

The project taught women evacuees sewing, embroidery and fashion design. In this way we helped them to find a job and support their families.

Link(s) to resources, outcome reports, etc.

https://livingcitymagazine.com/Syria_fashion

Time(s) & place(s) of implementation

Syria. 2012.

Actors in implementation

New Humanity. Religious institutions. Red Crescent.

Beneficiaries

Women - Sunnis, Shiites, Christians, Alawites and Druze of various political persuasions. They only had one thing in common: they were all evacuees and had lost everything. The tensions between them were very strong and evident, and at first they even refused to be in the same room.

Benefits

The women gained job skills and as an additional benefit, they started to accept their differences and to overcome the divisions that were so emphasized outside of that center. They shared worries and sufferings and established loving relationships. Surprisingly, on the feast of Ramadan, the Christian women prepared a little surprise party for the Muslims. The Muslims did the same at Christmas. At the end of the program, one woman said, that the New Humanity center is “the only place where we are able to ‘breathe,’ and it has always helped us to go ahead, bringing peace in our families and in our hearts.”

SDG's related to this practice

SDG 1. No poverty.

SDG 16. Peace.

Relation to the New York Declaration

Paragraph 44.

Relation to the Global Compact for Migration

Objective 18.

Objective 19G.

Relation to the Global Compact on Refugees

Paragraph 2.2. Jobs and livelihood.

Project 5. “Fare sistema-Oltre l'accoglienza (Making a System - Going Beyond hospitality)”

Description of the policy/practice

A course of professional training and social networking. Goes beyond the initial reception by focusing on relationships. Two approaches: in Catania, migrants receive training in business for one month. In Ragusa, and Chiaramonte, they intern directly within businesses to get work experience and learn about relationships within a professional environment.

Link(s) to resources, outcome reports, etc.

<http://www.umanitanuova.org/en/testimonies-and-news/ethnicities-and-cultures-en-gb-1/1678-creating-a-system-beyond-the-initial-welcome.html>
<https://www.facebook.com/faresistemaoltrelaccoglienza/>

Time(s) & place(s) of implementation

Italy / National / Catania, Ragusa, and Chiaramonte / 2016

Actors in implementation

NGOs: New Humanity; Cooperativa Foco; Azione Mondo Unito; Azione Famiglie Nuove.

Beneficiaries

Initially, 40 youths between the ages of 17 and 19, mostly migrants and refugees together with several locals.

Benefits

Participants experience new practices that promote a true mix of cultures and a genuine integration with the population. The novelty of this project is to network at the national level by creating a system to connect needs and resources across the nation. The project tries to ensure that the skills a boy acquired in Ragusa can then be used in Milan, for example. But this requires identifying a company and a family in Milan who will accept the young man with temporary housing and a job. The project is creating two specific national databases of families and businesses to create this "internal humanitarian corridor" that will promote integration at multiple levels".

SDG's related to this practice

8. Decent Work and Economic Growth.

Relation to the New York Declaration

Paragraph 57.

Relation to the Global Compact for Migration

Objectives 18. 34e.

Relation to the Global Compact on Refugees

Paragraph 3.2

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Project 6. Village of Joy, Seoul, South Korea

Description of the policy/practice

One Sunday a month, New Humanity members provides food, medical care, language lessons, clothing, hair-dressing, and other services for North Korean refugees and foreign workers. They aim to love these persons and create a family spirit that banishes loneliness and enable them to feel encouraged and respected with dignity.

Link(s) to resources, outcome reports, etc.

<http://www.umanitanuova.org/en/testimonies-and-news/ethnicities-and-cultures-en-gb-1/1398-korea-the-village-of-joy.html>

Time(s) & place(s) of implementation

The cities of Suwon and Daegu in South Korea. 2003 – 2016

Actors in implementation

50 members of New Humanity and the Focolare Movement.

Beneficiaries

It is frequented by more than 150 persons from North Korea and other countries like The Philippines, Thailand, Pakistan and Bangladesh.

Benefits

The Villages of Joy create an environment in which North Koreans learn how to adapt to a culture in which they do not have to fight one another for limited resources but can wait their turn in line and receive the same services as the first person in line. Foreigners learn about the language and culture.

SDG's related to this practice

Goals 1, 4, and 16.

Relation to the New York Declaration

Paragraphs 39. 80.

Relation to the Global Compact for Migration

OBJECTIVE 15c: Provide access to basic services for migrants

Relation to the Global Compact on Refugees

Paragraphs 41, 84.

Project 7. Friends of Africa

Description of the policy/practice

Friends of Africa Association (AMAF) Switzerland works for the integration of Migrants in Switzerland through their active participation in the economic, political, social and cultural life of this country.

Access to training and the acquisition of various socio-professional and cultural skills is a sine qua non condition.

Link(s) to resources, outcome reports, etc.

https://www.facebook.com/pg/AMAFenSuisse/about/?ref=page_internal

<http://collegamentoch.focolare.org/2017/04/22/svizzera-immigrati-che-aiutano-immigrati/>

Time(s) & place(s) of implementation

Switzerland / Fribourg / 2002 to present

Actors in implementation

New Humanity and Focolare Movement
Swiss Government

Beneficiaries

Since 2002, AMAF has served over 10,000 migrants of all demographics.

Benefits

- Undertake concrete actions to strengthen the integration of Migrants in Switzerland.
- Motivate Migrants to participate actively in the economic, political, social and cultural life of this country.
- Provide appropriate information and to provide advice and school support.
- Be a place of exchange, sharing and dialogue between cultures.

SDG's related to this practice

Goals 1, 4, 8, and 16.

Relation to the New York Declaration

Paragraphs 6b, 39, 47, 57, 61, 69, 80.

Relation to the Global Compact for Migration

OBJECTIVE 15c: Provide access to basic services for migrants

Relation to the Global Compact on Refugees

Paragraphs 41, 84.

Project 8. Maison Notre Dame

Description of the policy/practice

Assists displaced refugee and Lebanese families with emergency humanitarian assistance, education, healthcare, job counseling, promoting social integration, vocational training, and inclusion. In a dramatic situation, the need for solidarity makes it possible to work for a fraternal humanity.

Link(s) to resources, outcome reports, etc.

<http://www.afnonlus.org/libano-un-gesto-di-speranza/> (in Italian)

Time(s) & place(s) of implementation

Lebanon – 2005 to present

Actors in implementation

New Humanity and its affiliates AFN ONLUS,
Focolare Movement in Lebanon
IRAP – Institute for Deaf Children
Lebanon Ministry of Social Affairs
Roman Catholic Church
University Students

Beneficiaries

Kindergarten with 3 meals for Christian and Muslim children; School for deaf children; language training and sports for teenagers and young adults; meals for older persons; job training for women.

Benefits

Brings hope to people in distress. Provides financial support to pay for children's education; Assists displaced and Lebanese families with emergency humanitarian assistance, education, healthcare, job counseling, promoting social integration, vocational training, and inclusion. Provide alternatives to delinquency for youth.

SDG's related to this practice

Goals 1, 4, 8, and 16.

Relation to the New York Declaration

Paragraphs 6b, 39, 47, 57, 61, 69, 80.

Relation to the Global Compact for Migration

OBJECTIVE 15c: Provide access to basic services for migrants

Relation to the Global Compact on Refugees

Paragraphs 41, 84.

Project 9. Missione Famiglia (Mi.Fa.) Social Cooperative - Onlus

Description of the policy/practice

Casa di Ismaele is a family style home hosting Unaccompanied Foreign Minors. In welcoming them, we recognize the central importance of each individual and their dignity and assure the protection and realization of their rights. We offer humanitarian assistance with the objective of economic and social autonomy for young immigrants.

Link(s) to resources, outcome reports, etc.

<http://www.afnonlus.org/rogliano-una-casa-famiglia-per-minori-stranieri-non-accompagnati/>
(in Italian)

Time(s) & place(s) of implementation

Italy / Calabria / Rogliano / Cosenza / 2018

Actors in implementation

New Humanity

Also thanks to the cohesion and cooperation with the main social actors of the territory: families, companies, associations and institutions.

Beneficiaries

On a continual basis, hosts a dozen newborns, children, teenagers, and adults of different nationalities, among the most vulnerable groups arriving in Italy.

Benefits

We expect that every young person, once having overcome the initial situation of suffering, can mature personally, integrate into the community while maintaining a balance with his place of origin, his own land, his family history, and social and cultural heritage.

SDG's related to this practice

Goals 1, 4, 8, and 16.

Relation to the New York Declaration

Paragraphs 6b, 39, 47, 57, 61, 69, 80.

Relation to the Global Compact for Migration

OBJECTIVE 15c: Provide access to basic services for migrants

Relation to the Global Compact on Refugees

Paragraphs 41, 84.