

# Voluntary Euroregion NISA

Days of volunteering and Human library

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# WHAT?

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## ◎ AIMS

- to create long-term cooperation between youth from ERN
- prepare two days of volunteering
- prepare „Human library“

# WHAT?

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## ◉ Content

- Days of volunteering
  - we want to bring together 30 people from 3 counties to make our Euroregion a better place for living
  - during those days we would like to:
    - - go to the „New forest” (Ještěd) and plant new trees
    - - introduce and prepare the Human library
    - - prepare follow ups for our initiative group
    - - enjoy the music competition in the evening

# WHAT

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## ◉ Content

- Human library
  - we would like to prepare Human library together with participants and share our know-how
  - participants will help us with finding people, translations, decoration and preparation of material
  - they will also prepare some small promo actions like flash mobs
  - human library will be focused on stereotypes between three nations - Czech, Polish and German

# WHAT?

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## ⦿ Outcomes:

- two volunteering days
- Human library
- short movie
- long-term cooperation between young people from ERN

# HUMAN LIBRARY

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## ◉ What is it?

- new methodology of non-formal education. First edition was provided on Danemark during music festival in 2000.
- It is building on one simple princip: Meet your prejudice! Do not talk about your prejudices you will meet them.

# HUMAN LIBRARY

- It is the same like a normal library. Reader is coming, choosing book and lending her for limited time for reading. Then he bring her back and lend another one if he wants.





# HUMAN LIBRARY

- There are just two differences: Books in Human library are people and the second one is that readers are not paying for lending books.



# ROLES in HL

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## ◉ Librarian:

- One or more persons which are responsible for:
- Safety of books; motivation of visitors to read
- administration for lending books

## ◉ Librarian is person, who:

- knows where books are
- knows about methodology and he can explain it very well in short
- communicate with visitors

# ROLES in HL

## ◎ Book

- Book is person who is victim of discrimination or social exclusion. Book is lending for limited time to readers. Readers had to sign the rules before!
- In our case Books will be representing national and social stereotype = for example senior from Germany as well as senior from Czech or Poland.



# Human library

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## ● Our experience:

- 2010 - May: Human library in Liberec
  - focus on national stereotypes (11 different nations)
  - 11 books for 3 hours
- 2010 - September: Human library in Zittau
  - focus on stereotypes in the frame of ERN
  - 15 books from CZ, GER, POL for 8 hours
- 2011 - March: Human library in Liberec
  - focus on social stereotypes
  - 11 books for 7 hours

# WHEN?

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- - this project will be running from August 2011 and the end of the project will be at the end of February 2012
- WITH WHOM?
  - Human library is a great opportunity to sett up the cooperation between ngo´s and other institution; we would like to cooperate with:
    - libraries from ERN
    - NGO Čmelák from Liberec
    - Augen Auf!
    - UNESCO centre initiatives from Wroclaw
    - The city of Hrádek nad Nisou, Zittau and Jelenia Góra

# WHY?

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- Euroregion NISA is a specific area where the borders are still in mind of inhabitants. We would like to create a space where young people can find the way and potential of cooperation and help us to destroy the boarder. We also know from previous projects that between this nations is a lot of prejudices and stereotypes so we are trying to make them as small as possible by interactive methodology - Human library.







# WHO WE ARE?

- LOS – Liberecká občanská společnost is a non-governmental organisation focusing on non-formal education of youth on the regional as well as international level.
- Our aim is to support of European mobility of youth and strengthen awareness of European integration and European citizenship among youth. As well we focus on supporting cooperation within/with Euroregion Nisa.
- Secondly we as well focus on the support of usage of interactive and non-formal methods of education on primary and secondary schools.



# Website

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## ◉ More info about us:

- [www.losonline.eu](http://www.losonline.eu)
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# END?

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