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Since 2001 IPLE participates every year at the annual UNA-USA Model United Nations Conference in New York. For the German students it is always really a challenge to satisfy the needs for the participation because they must prepare a "position paper" with the point of view of the government of the country they are representing. Of course all this must be in English as well as the simulation in the UN-headquarters and in the Jacob Javits Convention Center. They acquire the needed qualification in 7 6-hour seminars concerning the knowledge about the UN and the vocabulary as well as the rules of procedure for the simulations.



For over twenty years, the Milan Municipality has started up training courses directed at youngsters risking social exclusion. The Successful training Scheme for Youth broadens and diversifies action so as to adjust to the changed regulations scenario and new demand by both schools and youngsters as regards different solutions and a different kind of demand.

The Scheme operates through negotiated planning with schools, training institutions, services, both in the private and social sectors, following the logic of using available opportunities within territorial networks, whether these are municipal or school facilities. A section of the Scheme's activities are financed by Laws 285/97 and 40/98, including the European Social Fund.



Projects in Milanese Schools

Since September 2002 and ending June 2004, 300 learning workshops have started including Secondary schools, Technical Lyceums and Vocational Schools involving more than 3.000 pupils, 100 parents and 200 foreign families.

Among these activities there are:

- * integrated courses for groups of youngsters at heavy dispersion risk
- * workshops integrated with curricular activities to discuss and put motives for learning into effect
- * language workshops for foreign youngsters having recently immigrated.
- * language analysis workshops regarding texts and intercultural aspects, language intermediary service for families and teachers.

Final events

At the end of May there will be a day fully dedicated to a final Seminar where open workshops, videos, theatre performances and supported by experts reports will be mixed together to offer a wide view of the educational experiences held during the last two years to all the citizens either students, or teachers, parents, or social operators. Collection propagation and publication of pedagogic experiences, comparison with local, domestic and international realities, as regards experimentation and research are foreseen.

16th ANNUAL INEPS CONGRESS OFFICIALLY SET FOR YILAFRANCA, SPAIN FROM MAY 9TH - MAY 16TH

ANOTHER INEPSER

Last spring in Finland we spoke about the future baby of Julienne and I. The baby girl, whose name is Selma, made us wait two weeks extra but it was worth it, of course. She was born 9th of January 2004 at 14.07 pm. Julienne and Selma are fine. I am still flying half a meter above the ground. See you this May in Vilafranca. Jukka

