

"Town-twinning, a framework for volunteering and intergenerational dialogue - French/German perspectives". AFCCRE local event. Nancy (F) 24 - 25 May 2012

The French association AFCCRE (Association française du Conseil des Communes et Régions d'Europe) will organise on 24th and 25th May an event in Nancy (France) within the project VIT- Very important twinning, Volunteering in town.

This project aims at creating a platform involving different types of stakeholders for debate, action and reflection on how citizens may enhance governance in Europe. At the same time, the project aims at revitalizing existing town-twinning relations of the partner towns and initiate new twinning.

The event in France entitled "Town-twinning, a framework for volunteering and intergenerational dialogue - French/German perspectives" will be the forth organised in the project VIT and is part of a total of 18 workshops, which will be held until June 2013.

M André Rossinot, former French Minister - Mayor of Nancy Municipality and President of the Urban Community of Grand Nancy- and Antonella Valmorbida, Director of the Association of Local Democracy Agencies will open the workshop.

The event will be articulated around four main topics:

1) "The associative commitment in town-twinning animation" will involve Representatives of French and German town-twinning committees around two main questions: the role of these committees and the relations with the city in the animation of twinning.

2) "Forum on issues of Active Ageing and intergenerational cooperation within home policy"

3) "Town-twinning and partnership: a relevant framework for volunteering in Europe" with a presentation of European Voluntary Service, the concept of "Young Ambassador" and the French-German Office for Youth.

4) Witnesses and exchanges of good practices on the intergenerational dialogue and solidarity between generations at local level.

Numerous local and European Representatives of public Authorities, NGO's, experts and citizens will be involved during these two days event, which will dedicate a big place to discussion and exchange of good practices among speakers and participants.









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