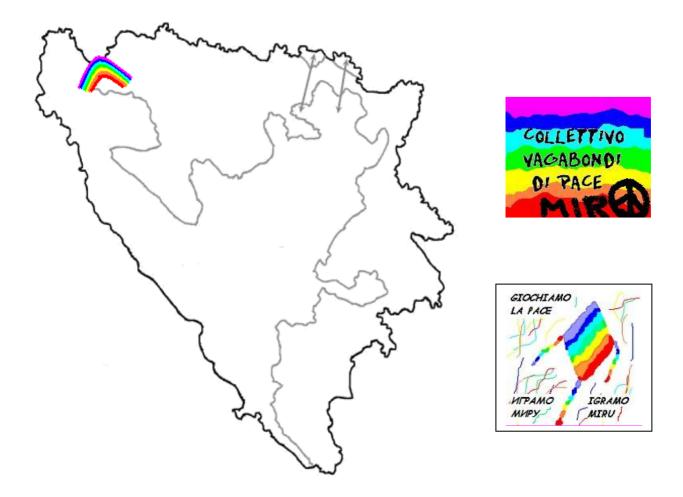
# GIOCHIANO LA PACE Igramo MIRU - ИГРАМО МИРУ



## PROJECT INTERNATIONALIST SOLIDARITY FOR YOUTH POPULATION OF FORMER JUGOSLAVEA (Version for volunteer outside Italy)



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## Introduction

The Association "Collettivo Vagabondi di Pace" (Collective Wanderers of Peace, from here CVDP), is a italian association, has born between the end of 2003 and the beginning of 2004, founded by volunteers with previous common experiences in Balkans, more particularly in Bosnia and Herzegovina. The association is based on the voluntary work of members and its purposes are not-violence, antifascism, the promotion of human rights, the anticapitalist and antiliberist fight.

The promotion of the CVDP's activities is realized in differents ways, from the organization of culture events, to the promotion of social-solidarity campaigns, to the realization of projects regarding expecially childrens and teens but involving also adult people.

Starting from previous experiences of summer animation and in refugee camps carried out from its members, CVDP has worked out the project "Giochiamo la Pace - Igramo Miru - Играмо Миру" (it means "Play the Peace" in italian and bosnian language), considering the project as the tool for the recostruction of a peace dialogue in a country that still show war's wounds, not only on material side, but and overall on social side. In addition to these purposes the project is surely a place with a strong cultural exchange, a form positively wanted to approach to the diversity considering it as enrichment and growth and not as a barrier

These are the premises that have brought to the realization of the project "Giochiamo la Pace - Igramo Miru -Nrpamo Mupy", now at its octave summer edition and fortified by winter animation, and others projects that are "Solidackija" (supportive family packs, composed by food and others primary things), "Memorial Ibrahim 'Ibro' Skenderović" and others again, in addition to a continuos relationship during the year with projectual partners and people in Bosnia and Herzegovina.

## Goals

Project's goals are substantially three, all with the same importance and each one integrating with the others, their following enumeration isn't a value's scale, we consider them important in the same way.

-First goal is help local people, making us promoter of dialogue and diversity as a richness among people, bringing solidarity and tolerance as interactive tools among all people involved, promoting the creation of peace's ways in the places where war has divided people and burned hopes.

The tool of play, the animation, getting involved, feel themselves as subject and not as an object of own actions and interaction with others, seems us the best way to recover confidence in each self and in others, to feel themselves propositive subjects of a social aggregate that find in the dialectic its main key for personal and common good growth. cConnected to this is the concept that divisions of borders among Nations don't mark a division of ideas among people, also in those nations, which governments have done anything to avoid the war events, and sometimes have even worked for the war, there are people trusting in a culture of common peace that goes over religious, political and nationality belongings

-<u>Second goal</u> is to put differents cuture in touch each others, living personally a reality that most of times is felt, known by each one through the words of media and so in a cold and not so similar way to own way to live and feel the surrounding, so to live a real experience connected to other people and different cultures independently by own rule in the project, taking from these differences the growth's richness that should be own of every human beings.

At the same time realize real peace's acts through own action, often we consider peace like an abstract concept and feel help to the others as something above our individuals capacities, needing exact technical competences and "professionality", something that we feel near mentally but operatively so far away.

This project doesn't need specific capacities, but humanity in approaching others, getting involved as himself with own qualities and faults; play and animation as tools, activities that all we have experimented during our childhood and teens, let create a relationship, also empathic, with children and teenagers, creating a common comunicative level able to bypass eventual language's obstacles, language that possibly can be a tool for a common effort to create a verbal language common and variegated at same time, that really makes difference as a richness and interaction rather than obstacle and division.

Working with children, who have in their endowments the spontaneity in approaching and are so more free, than adults, from prejudices, let also interact with all the social ground, so to relate with adults with informal and unstructured acitivies.

- Third goal is making sensible the territory and for territory we mean both that properly operative of the project, that is the localities in Bosnia - Herzegovina, and that where volunteers live. We think development, as active and partecipated growth, and diffusion of a real culture of peace is a basic factor for civil society and humanity's conscience growth.

Making project, in its main part, that is animation in Bosnia - Herzegovina, is already make people sensible, education to peace, which is added all the journey before and post the summer experience, that is the training and the check of the project from all the subjects, and at last, the organization, during the year, of meetings about own experience, about peace and not violence, about disarmament and all the concerning thematics. Territory's growth, due to these actions, allows always more people to approach and involve themselves on these thematics, independently about where single attentions and interests interact with particular aspects of project to realize.

According our experience we have seen that promotion of own experience lets others people activate also correlated thematics widening always more the number of sensible and active people

These three goals are on the base of project's journey that has began in 2004 in Bosanska Otoka, in the Muslim-Croat Federation, in 2005 has been realized also in Brezicani in Bosnian Serb Republic in view of work with the comunities of both "entities" in which Bosnia Erzegovina has been divided from Dayton's Peace Agreements in 1995.

Our planning go on all long the year being in touch with communities and realizing also a project of winter animation. From 2006 project has expanded to seven schools, creating two reference areas: the municipality of Bosanska Krupa in Federationm and the area of Prijedor in Republic. After 2006, the ups and downs in finding an adequate high number of volunteers has led the decision to choice two "historical" municiplaties for the project: Bosanska Krupa and Brezičani, ensuring continuità in the main schools but without forget the others schools trying to realize a, although minimal, activity when the numerosity of volunteers let it make.

In 2010 project get lost Brezičani, it happens independently of our will and our great disappointment.

After 5 years of collaboration and presence on the territory, we are victims of political considerations about the behaviours of a govern, Italian govern behaviours that aren't our behaviours. We don't surrender, evidently the goals that we have shown above are in contrast, antithetical with the nationalist vision of society that is the actual politic of the Bosnian Serb Republic, but we know how to distinguish between politics and peoplem and we are sure about our willfulness tha a day will see us return working in Republic, we owe it to all persons with which we have shared the project during all those years.

So now our presence and planning are concentrated in the municipalità of Bosanska Krupa.

The project has the authorization of the competent local authorities (ministries, schools, municipalities).

Participation in project activities by children and teenagers is absolutely free, released from school attendance during the year, it means that project is open also open to those who attend other schools or those who, unfortunately, street children do not attend regularly or not at all school during the school year, attendance is open from membership regardless of religion and the former Yugoslav nationality they belong, regardless from belonging to different social groups and classes by putting all on the same level of relationship.

This free open participation is a main point about we don't let exceptions, being a premise that school's drectors and local authorities have to accept and sincerely share to realize projects in partnership with Collective Wanderers of Peace. We really believe that allowing free participation for all, allows the creation of a positive and not-violent approach to diversity facilitating the integrations among different cultures and social groups, brealing down prejudices that often, during the formative age, which is oriented the project, are the vision of relationships with others handed down by adults, reflecting their behaviours, resultus of stereotypes, ignorance (in th sense of lack of knowledge and prejudice), results more of emulation rather than real convictions. Verified by our experience, the play allows positive phisical contacts and interaction with the others breaking down barricades of prejudices

Free open participation allows create relationships among different social groups so that those most emarginated from society as rom, disabled and street children can enjoy like the others the native right of each children of this earth to play and grow experimentig and experimenting himself with the others

Free open participation in the proposed timetable allows a most free and spontaneous joining to the activities and workshop that we remember are realized considering, as possible as we can, the needs, the creativity, and the requests of children whom during the year we ask to compile a questionnaire to get their ideas and needs to realize a project always more partecipated, as a common construction sensibile to needs

Obviously participating in the activities has some rules, also living the school in a most free way than during its normal phisical and didactical context of the school year, minimals but essentials rules, the absolute respect for all people, the not-violence, the active partecipation, respect for nature, a correct utilization and not waste of material also leaving a wide freedom for experimentation and manipulation of materials during the activities, above all in the workshops that are realized on purpose for that.

There are also moments of friction, as always happens between children and here the role of volunteers is crucial as a non-violent interposition and elements of dispute resolution by facilitating dialogue among children, as well as the role of volunteers is crucial in facilitating the integration of those most timid and \ or discriminated against from the main group.

The range of age of subjects, offically from 6 to 15 years (corresponding to the cycle of basic school), but often are present also sisters and brothers older and younger, involves a diversification of the activities both as typology and as timing, trying to compose a mosaic where everybody can freely place themselves according to own interests.

According to that participation, jointly to the school authorities, for the second year we organize the concours "Draw the logo of Giochiamo la Pace - Igramo Miru" from april 4th to may 21st and that will celebrate with the awars of the first three elaborated and that will be the official logos of the project for 2011

In addition to the goals concerning the animation there is always a vivid attention toward needs of territory, trying, as CVDP can, cooperating or creating projects that go beyond the animation or the summer projects

On that way we can consider the micro-projects parallel dedicated to manual works of reconstruction and improvement of schools where we work and others places as kindergarten, green areas, sport structures, the places of local associations

That kind of works will eventually realized under the supervision of local referents. This implementation of the projects is directed toward the project's development beyond the animation that is its main goal. For a larger explanation of this kind of projectuality we explain more in the section about the activities extraanimative

The increasing interactivity with the territory has brought us in 2010 for give more regularity to material aids, that we organized for families more needing in these years, we have started the project "SOLIDAKCIJA" which main goal is to grant material human aids regularly

## The areas of the project and the reasons for this choice

Like we told before Dayton's "Peace" Agreements (november 1995) have defined the division of Bosnia-Hercegovina in two amministrative entities, the Muslim-Croat Federation of Bosnia and the Bosnian Serb Republic, that operate as two nations and it makes too complicated the reconstruction of networks of social relationships. The actual involution of main political parties go towards instead of a homogeneity and unification of the two entities, go exactly towards the opposite direction of an increased demarcation of local communities until the top with the proposal to create a third "entity" based exclusively on croatian identification, so going on again nationalistic vision that has been the marque characteristic of the "policy" in "Former-Jugoslavija" in the last ten years with the declared approval of western powers USA and UE above all. The choice by CVDP of the two reference area has been realized as result of their geographical location, since these two areas are on border line between the two entities, and we want ourselves like a communicating and interchange vessel among the two communities, that after fourteen years from the end of the armed conflict are again divised by not only amministrative borders but also by a not-culture of mutual intolerance or at least a culture of indifference and division, not-culture that find a perfect fertile ground in the socio-economical conditions that are prevailing in Bosnia-Herzegovina.

This year, like told before, we will work only in one area, that of Bosanska Krupa, but our efforts are to propose again the project also in Republic.

The situation on the ground is not really of parts clearly divided, but surely the organization of institutions, so as determined by Dayton agreement, the behaviour of intenational political comunity, the continuos presence, without any break, of nationalist political forces that leads states of former Jugoslavija all these factors are hard obstacles for a real path of confrontation, relationships and an overcoming of warnationalist policies that have brought to the dissolution of former Jugoslavija.

The behaviours of govern's forces, above all in the entity of Bosnian Serb Republic, and generally of the nationalist movements (that however are a minimal percentual of the population) are, unfortunately, operating to remark increasingly the nationalistic membership so to propose a new dismemberment of Bosnia in three entities pursuing the division of the population.

In this scenery our presence want be like a breaking element of not-culture and at same-time like a element to facilitate paths of peace collaborating with that part of local civil society that is pursuing our same goal

In the choice of municipalities we have prefered generally, communities with middle-small dimension that allows a not-depersonalized presence on the territory, active and involving also age adult, allowing the growth of human relationship among volunteers and local population, from which start the new projectuality to realize sinergically and that involves all the territory always referring to the logic of intercultural exchange. In the growing path of the project is expected the gradual integration for oldest teenager changing rule from animation's user to member of the group of volunteer, integrating them step by step on the organizative and management side of the project so that gradually they can organize it by themselves indipendently from our presence. According to this logic of inter-exchange and growth are been started contact with local associations, so that to arrive, about timing is difficult to estimate since don't want to force and/or impose growth's time (and this concept is for all the components of the project including us CVDP), to the realization of a international volunteer camp with involved associations, bosnian and not, and that realize not only project regarding animation for children and teenagers but with a large vision for all ages and critical areas, social thematics like conditions of women, rom, disabled, homosexuality, street children, conscientious objection, demilitarization of society, the respect of human rights, help for poors, create places of free sociality

In order to achieve this path our efforts are not limited only to the summer presence, that is the most visible part of the project, but it need a workin along all the yeare, both in Italy than in Bosnia-Herzegovina, to prepare and promote the project, creating a network of relationships and contatcts with associations and singles and trying to help, also in materila way, the local bosnian associationism.

Like project we are been in Bosanska Otoka (Federation) first time in 2004, and in 2005 project was enalarged to Brezičani (Republic), and in 2006 it was again enalrged including other municipalities and schools: Bosanska Krupa, Ostruznica, Veliki Badić in Federation and Prijedor, in Republic

Like told before the number of volunteers has imposed us to operate some choices, not having possibility to guarante our presence in all the schools, but mantaining the relationships with all the schools trusting in a future time of growth that allows us to return operative in all the schools

At last, the goal is to stabilize our presence and the collaboration with the schools and the territory without preclude the enlargement of the project to other municipalities following the path began six years ago building solidarity relationship.

Bosanska Krupa is in the Muslim-Croat Federation of Bosnia, exactly in the canton of Una-Sana. In the municipality's territory there are the localities Bosanka Otoka, Ostruznica and Veliki Badić. In the zone of Bosanska Krupa is expected the summer school in Druga Osnovna Škola at Pilana School, filial of main school Druga Osnovna Škola and the realization of sports afternoons at the others filials of Druga Osnovna Škola in the villages of Ostruznica, Veliki Badić and Bosanska Otoka.

The extended municipality of **Bosanska** Krupa has 28062 citizens (data on 30 june 2010; font "Federalni Zavod za Statistiku - Federacija Bosne i Hercegovine" www.fzs.ba), of which 6145 person among 0 and 14 years, equal to 21,90% of population of municipality. (cantonal and federation percentual are 19,84% and 18,05%).

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	total	0-14 year	%	yeari	%	and over	%
Muslim-Croat Federation of							
Bosnia	2.337.660	422.053	18,05%	1.586.708	67,88%	328.899	14,07%
Unsko sanski kanton	287.869	57.102	19,84%	199.292	69,23%	31.475	10,93%
Bosanska Krupa	28.062	6.145	21,90%	18.565	66,16%	3.352	11,94%

Extended data about population at 30 june 2010

Demographic data are estimated since last real census has been in 1991 when still existed Jugoslavija. These are the data of that census

	census 1991	Current estimates(1)	variation %	
Bosanska Krupa	58320	28062	-31%(1)	

(1) from muncipality of Bosanska Krupa in 1991, after official census, has born municipality of Bužim, the clean data of- 31% is calculated deducting about 18000 (of the 58320 of 1991 census) citizens that were living in the municipality of Bužim, gross data would be -52%

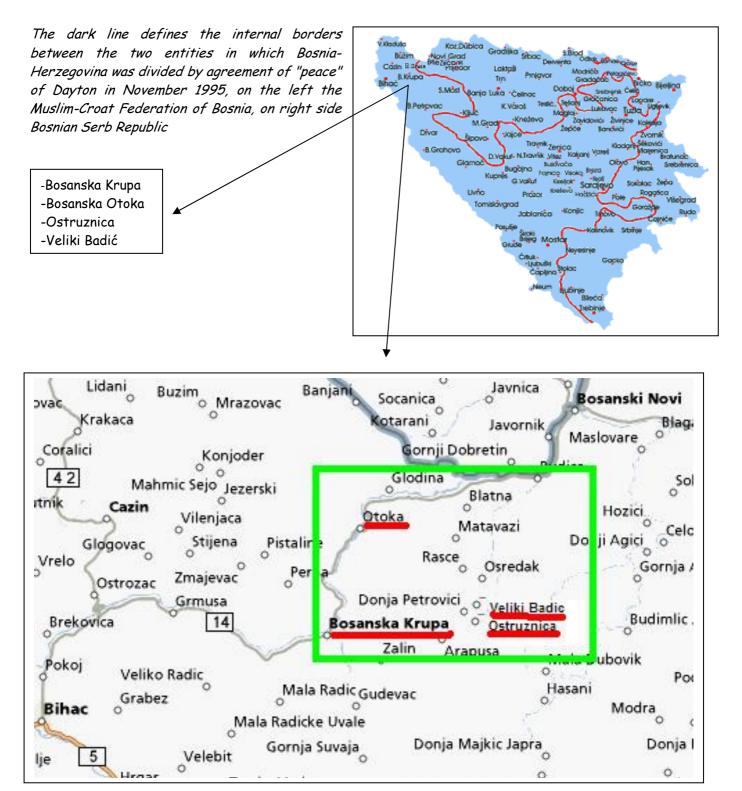
Would will notice how both entities try, unfortunately, to distinguish each other also in administrative level using a different terminology, mirror of much heaviest distinguish, region is the administrative subdivision (totally 7 regions and 62 municipalities) used in Bosnian Serb Republic, while in Muslim-Croat Federation of Bosnia the administrative subdivision is called canton (totally 10 cantons and 79 municipalities). To this adds the district of Brčko, administrative autonomous unit under the sovereignity of Bosnia-Herzegovina, de facto under the supervision of international community with special autonomies, formally Brčko belongs to both entities.

The area where project operates is on an "ideal" peace's road that we would build envolving all the social components on the territory, obviously this means a costant projectual work during the years that goes beyond summer schools.

The choice to work in Balkan has born from strong will to be mediators in the dialogue among parts, third element that wants to dialogue with all, not only inside the same locality. Lucky yet exists a plurality, despite the war, also among localities that are de facto divided from a point administrative, economical, political, social and cultural by an absurd agreement.

We want to extend the project in more municipalities in both entities and also outside from Bosnia, extending to other municipaliets of former Jugoslavija. None for us is different in the sense of a stranger to us, we are for dialogue with all the parts and difference may be a richness for all.

Our presence can be useful to break stereotypes, to reconnect relationships cutted but yet recoverables, sure we have not presumption di make all in a quick time and alone, the project will evolve during a period of years that we are not able to estimate now, but it will find is natural conclusion when hate reasons will finish its overshadow the life of these places. The localities of the project have man-sized dimension which make easy to relate with people, to contact with territory, the meeting of culture, the possibility to establish relationship durable in time Project is not imposed, but thought, realized and managed togheter with local institutions, from school to municipalità, from the local associationism to the chance for local teenagers to become themselves animators in the project and cooperate with our volunteers. Cooperation is the keyword in structuring, realizing e managing the project "Giochiamo la Pace – Igramo Miru".



Is get in touch eachother sinergically needs and resources, putting the person, the human being, at the centre of the relationship, each of us is a resource for the others, indipendently from social, economical and cultural position that he lives, the enrichment is never unilateral, everybody enrich the culture of the others. The growth of subjects is, in its diversity, common to the posse of people that are in the project, indipendently by the role they have in it.

The localities own the qualities for a human approach to the diversity, that allows to to establish relationship on a common base as human being and not as roles volunteer-user, stranger-local, have the necessary human dimension to develope a dialectic that brings the shared building of the project, that become common richness of all and not a extraneous factor, a event that is upon level the social territory but that become expression and integrant part of social territory

## The activities

## Animative activities

As told the project is principally directed towards children and teenager, the activities are realized for them and to do this we use also a questionaire they compile between april and june, to better realize the activities, to better mix children's needs and volunteers resources

There will be activities based on play, using play not as an agonistic and competitive element but as an element of aggregation where everybody feels himself like a integrant part and which success is thanks to all. The play is seen as relationship element with the others, as a possibility to bring own rage, own negative energies toward a effort that transform them in positive energies; in addition to the play will be workshop, activities aimed to the manipulation of materials, as draw, paint, technical, work with cardboard, fabric and activities aimed to the discover of himself own, opportunities to increase the confidence of children and teenager in themselves and in others, activities as music, recitation and at last also language courses.

Also in these activities will be very present the play, not to borrow the pattern of the school but to

experience things in a different way by creating an approach of free participation and not imposed / duty.

In addition to these structured moments there will be moments of unstructured activities where children and teenager will propose both new and old activities, even moments of simple dialogue and companionship. These unstructured moments will be extended, getting confidence, to the territory and adult age.

The activities will take place mainly at school, a different way of living and free school.

In the development of activities we often use poor materials, to avoid waste but also to allows same activies can be repeated even during school year.

In the afternoon, outside usual structured activities timetable, will be organized football and volley tournament

The choice of activities is a mix of more elements that go from children needs and ideas to material resources, from the numerosity of volunteers to their capacities and experiences.

In the project there aren't activities a priori defined at all, the activities born during formation meetings where the contributions of all united to the organizators experience and children needs, bring to stimulate active participation in the proposition and structuring of activities, the project is a palce where sinergies are renewed costantly, where everybody brings its I enriching the wealth of experience of the project.

## Extra-animative activities

During last editions of the projects, many times there has been need, from local partners, to have an operative help to restructure the schools (classrooms, office and so on), usually during summer time the schools are restuctured with small improvements in anticipation of school beginning in september.

Given these needs, not always for reasons of numerical and time, it was possible to lend a hand as it would have liked, so we explicitly requested participants to indicate their willingness to lend a hand or not, of free

choice, with hard materials (painting, small renovations, etc. ..) about the schools in which we operate but also other areas, such as asylum, green spaces, sports facilities, local associations spaces.

In this sense, CVDP will think to define possible projects according to the type and abundance of volunteers. The availability fosr extra-animative activities is not only a material help for the community but it represent a possibility for volunteers to get in touch with adulte age so to live fully all the aspects of local culture

## Ekip activities

With ekip we means the group of volunteers

The structured activities with children will take time about from 8.30 in the morning to 13.00 in the afternoon, for a total of 4 and half hours, that often go on long without realizing it, and some afternoons, this is a generic estimation based on the experience of last editions, the definitive programmation will be result of the mix of data from children questionaire and the composition of the group of volunteers during the formation meetings and the dialogue with stranger volunteer that can't (for the distance) join the formation meetings, all this with the goal to optimize resources and needs that will get in touch in the costruction of a path integrating all the subjects.

Every day the group of volunteers will meet to condivide and elaborate their own experience (from the relationship with children to the relationship with adulte age, from discovering a culture unknow to most, to informations about language and history) and moments to program the activities for the follow day

Are expected also formation/information meetings with local institutions and associations

During the experience there will be also written verifies, considering it a tool useful to better own work and to give all the chance to express their own opinions, sensations, emotions and concepts

In the management and realization of activities, we are trying, with the right time that not force the issue of growth and awareness, to involve the older kids users of the project who may become the volunteers of tomorrow allowing the passage of the project to local management.

To them will be then dedicated during the year formation moments to allow get competences to structure the project in the future by themselves.

Clearly is a path that needs some years, but it is one of main goal of the project that have to live by itself and find roots in the territory to feeling like a integrating part of it.

Among the activities this year we want to implement and get a more structured plan there is the realization of a murales and implement at the school Pilana (that hasn't architectural barriers) the participation of disabile children and teenager, we want realize it with the help of the local association ADA (("Udruzenje roditelja djece i omladine sa posebnim potrebama Bosanska Krupa" - "Association of parents children and young people wiht particular needs Bosanska Krupa")

During the project the volunteers, in addition to the activities with children, have to carry out logistic turns, that are functional to the project, that is, materials, cleaning, cooking, supplies, it can be rotating small groups or with a fixed structure, that will be defined during the formation meetings interpreting the resources of volunteers.

Each ekip will have a responsible who coordinate animative and logistic activities, the moments of coordination and verify

## Period and logistic

## Formation

This version of project is written expecially for volunteers who live outside of Italy.

We are conscious is too much ask volunteers outside of Italy come in Italy for two weekends to participate formation meetings, but we don't want that it be an obstacle for people.

Usually we ask volunteer to participate two formation meetings, but for volunteers outside of Italy we decide to give them formation tools by mail or directly by internet with Skype or other ways and dedicate them moments during the project so that ekip can be united and armonious

The information tools provide in giving historical and cultural informations about war in former jugoslavia and about the actual situation, expecially about the territories where we operate. A part is dedicated to logistical information as to reach Bosnia, what documents are needed to come in Bosnia, a little vocabolary of bosnian words and terms useful for the activies, we remember offical languages of the project are italian, bosnian and english but all languages are allowed and wellcomed in our project that have internationalism and inter-exchange as peculiarities of the project.

Also the relationship between adult and children will be object of information. At same time we collect from outside-Italy volunteers some notice about them like their resources, their experiences and so on, to know what is useful to realize activities.

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## Verify

At the same time we consider verify of project so important as the formation, we usually say that verify of project is the first step for the project of next year since we can see what has been good and what we have to better considering all the aspects of the project. The verify is in september, so volunteers have a little of time to let emotivity goes and think on the project with rationality- Who can come at verify is not escluded we want emotions, thinkings and opinons of all, so for whom can't come we make a questionaire about the experience, is not a blocked questionaire but has a lot of space for all the considerations. At same time we verify the project with our local partners

## Project

Project takes from 29th july and 15th august 2011

Inside this period we will organize turns of one or two weeks in Bosanska Krupa (including, if volunteer numerosity allows it, the villages of Bosanska Otoka, Ostruznica and Veliki Badić). Is preferible to participate both the two weeks of project to live it completly, eventual disponibility for a different period not corresponding a week, always from 29th july to 15th august, will be valued according the compatibility with the composition of ekip.

Start and end date are inclusive of the travel days

As for the logistics and the operational headquarters of the ekip here is the following scheme.

LOCALITY	ACTIVITIES	LOGISTIC			
HEADQUARTER					
Bosanska Krupa	Osnovna Škola Pilana	At local "Osnovna Škola Pilana" Bosanska Krupa			
OTHER LOCALITIES IF VOLUNTEERS NUMEROSITY ALLOWS					
Bosanska Otoka	Bosanska Otoka Schoolyard of school At local "Osnovna Škola Pilana" Bosanska Krupa				
Ostruznica	Filijala Druga Osnovna Škola	At local "Osnovna Škola Pilana" Bosanska Krupa			
Veliki Badić	Filijala Druga Osnovna Škola	At local "Osnovna Škola Pilana" Bosanska Krupa			

## Modalities of participation and costs

The project is open to everyone, including minors, from the age of sixteen can participate prior written permission of their parents.

Participation involves a synergistic interaction for the formation, whose purpose is to provide all the necessary tools to live the project in full and more positive ways.

To participate the project is needed a legal personal document valid for stay in Bosnia according the agreement among Bosnian government and the government taht has released personal document of the volunteer. About this we can help in find information about agreement Bosnian has established with the nations of provenience of volunteers

In Bosnia-Herzegovina to stay over three days need to register at police office in order to get the temporary residence registration, this pratice, like other burocratic tasks, will befulfilled by the responsible of ekip for members of ekip

Project is promoted also outside of Italy, since we consider almost impossible for foreign participants (timing and the costs of travel) to attend the formation meetingsm will be dedicated to their specific training by mail and skype and some special moment during the project

Lingue ufficiali del progetto sono l'italiano, il bosniaco e l'inglese, il che non preclude la presenza di qualsiasi altra lingua.

## **Requirements for participation**

To participate in the project do not need special skills because we believe that international volunteering in a project like "Giochiamo la Pace - Igramo Miru - Играмо Миру" should be an opportunity open to all, an opportunity to build peace by bringing into play firsthand. We require, however, of human characteristics: the ability to work in ekip, ability to relate to children, time respect, energy, enthusiasm, curiosity, knowledge, team spirit, a desire to change the world.

## Animative activities

With regard to the activities with the children we always say that adults must return child while keeping the attention of adults. He needs a good dose of imagination and creativity, a good manual, a spirit of resourcefulness and observation, ability to work in teams, to coordinate (is basilar) with the action of others members of the ekip. Patience with children who are the primary subject of the project. Ability to interpret situations and flexibility in their management

#### Extra-animative activities

Good manual skills, adaptability, ability to work in EKIP. They are of course welcome specific technical skills within the construction, painting and so on (masons, electricians, carpenters, painters etc. ..) but are not however a condition sine qua non as the work would be coordinated by the competent local staff.

## Life in Ekip

The common life, around 24 hours on 24, with a group of people require tolerance, participation to the the activities not only animative but also concerning the preparation of animations and briefing of verify, the participation to he logistic turns (cleaning, supplies, materials, cooking) that are functional for the right execution of the project.

Capacity to adapt to the logistic situation that a school can offer that is sleep in sleeping-bag on the ground, "camp" shower (that means not a regular shower) and often with cold water (helping himself with bottles of hot water), we want to underline this aspect and particulars to avoid unpleasent misunderstanding.

The presence of a group of strangers volunteers, even if is like a tradition now, don't pass unobserved in the localities interested by project, so the actions of every volunteer have their repercussion, both good or bad actions, on the Collective Wanderers of Peace (CVDP), which is the guarantor for the group of

volunteers, and for their actions and behaviours in front of the institutions and the social community, for these reasons eventual violent actions or behaviours that are not in line with the principles of the CVDP it give the right to CVDP himslef to break the experience and projectual relationships with who has such kind of behaviour, in this way invalidating all the liens of warranty, responsibility and protection of the CVDP A specifical attention we want dedicate to the <u>time respect</u> (time is a not <u>renewable resource</u>), the planification of the daily timetables is organized by responsible of ekip considering all (animative activities, logistic turns, briefing for verify, preparation of activities, visits to the context, times for volunteer to recover energies and repose). in the planification of daily timetables the responsible will consider all this proposing, for sharing and adhesion, to all the group the timing that even if flexible has to be respected by all because the behaviour of few has not to be a damage conditioning all the group.

## Notes about safety

Bosnia-Herzegovina, according last estimate of "Landmine and Cluster Munition Monitor" (http://www.themonitor.org/index.php/cp/display/region\_profiles/theme/462) counts around 220000 unexploded mines all over the territory, according the demining agencies only about 50% of mined fields are documented on official maps (this is the result of the devastating actions of paramilitary bands during jugoslavian conflict, that not excludes that "regular" armies have been less devastating), for these reasons are to avoid unpaved and/or not frequented roads, avoid to enter in unknown areas or outside of towns and villages, go in meadows and not cultivated fields. The areas used by CVDP for the activities are of course sure without mines. CVDP, is known also at local level in Bosnia-Herzegovina for his pacifist and not violent action and for his anti-nationalism, every kind of nationalism, and favorable to the absence of every kind of border among people, monitors costantly the socio-political situation and if fall down conditions of safety will inform promptly about his decisions the volunteers about the opportunity to stop the project, hypothesis at present remote.

## Other useful notices

The currency is Convertible Mark (KM) introduced in july 1998. From 01/01/2002 its change is linked to the Euro: KM =  $0,51129 \notin$  and vice versa  $1 \notin = 1,95583$  KM, it is a fix change, we suggest bring banknotes of up 50 euro, to avoid complication in change operations. Rightly from this year euro is not more accepted in buyings and is possibile use only KM. Money change is possibile at bank and postal offices, it costs at postal offices about 1%.

The coverage for phone mobile network is good. There are some local companies and is, usually, possible to use own mobitel, control your sim card is abled for international roaming.

Phone international prefix for calling in Bosnia is 00387.

Concerning phone comunication, responsible of ekip has a bosnian sim card (that means cheaper costs for who calls and who receives). There are also phone booths and it is possibile call from the postal office

About climatic situation Bosnia-Herzegovina has a continental climate, during the summer dry hot with tops about 30 degrees (in the areas interested by project) and a strong nightly thermic excursion since we are in hilly area, Bosanska Krupa is 176 meters on sea level and is crossed by river Una. we suggest a summer clothing and some sweatshirts for the evening and nights

Electricity is 220 volts, most of electrical sockets are german model (schuko) with two plugs, for who have electrical equipments with three plugs (phon, chargers, and so on) must provide to bring by himself reductor From the point of view of health does not need specific vaccinations.

To be able to travel by car in Bosnia should have a green card with mention of Bosnia and Herzegovina. The fines are usually paid to the agents themselves. Speed limits are 40 km / h in cities and between 80 and 100 km / h in suburban roads.

Other and more detailed informations will be provided during contacts for formations.

## Deadline for entries is July 21, 2011

The Collective Wanderers of Peace, as the organizer and project manager reserves the right to evaluate the possibility of membership of requesters if they are not in line with the spirit of the project.

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About costs, including insurance fee, meals, lodging, materials quota, ranging from 308 to 484 euros depending on one or two weeks of participation as reported in the statement below. Travel to and from Bosnia is not considered in the statement.

Among the opportunities offered at the end of experience, finished own turn, there is the possibility of being accompanied by the responsibles of the collective in a short tour in other parts of Bosnia (the cost of this tour are not currently possible to quantify because they depend on the choice the individual than the days and locations), if those responsibles are unable because they are still working on the project, will be given all the informations necessary to be able to move in Bosnia-Herzegovina and visit culturally and historically important places.

Distribution registration fee	1 WEEK		2 WEEKS
INFORMATIVE MATERIAL	€	30,00	€ 30,00
INSURANCE	€	33,00	€ 54,00
MEALS	€	90,00	€ 160,00
LODGING	€	80,00	€ 150,00
INTERNAL TRAVEL BOSNIA	€	15,00	€ 30,00
MATERIALS	€	30,00	€ 30,00
SOLIDARITY	€	30,00	€ 30,00
TOTAL		€ 308,00	€ 484,00
DAILY COST		€ 28,00	€ 26,89

**Notes on the composition of the fee:** the Collective Wanderers of Peace for his free choice does not access public funds or sponsorship of any kind, with strong effort is self-financing through membership fees, parties, sale of books, T-shirts, pins, etc.. In calculating the registration fee is based on real costs we experienced in last years always looking for the cheapest and accessible solutions, a larger number of volunteers would facilitate the abatement of the costs

## Total project costs

Here are the total project costs estimated on the basis of 2 turns of activities in Bosnia-Herzegovina for a total of 2 weeks and the participation of 15 volunteers and 100 children. Costs are inclusive of all organizational activities of the project except for the annual management of the warehouse in Bosnia-Herzegovina.

ITEM OF EXPENDITURE		ENDITURE	PROGRESSIVE	
Missions preparation (meetings with local partners, schools, ministries, contacts, vendors, children's questionnaires, logistics,)	€	2.146,80	€ 2.146,80	
Concours "Draw the logo Giochiamo la Pace – Igramo Miru"	€	130,00	€ 2.276,80	
Communications and promotion project (telephone, fax, internet, press releases, print projects, flyers)	€	100,00	€ 2.376,80	
Formation meetings (lodging, meals, material) *	€	763,16	€ 3.139,96	
Volunteers insurance	€	810,00	€ 3.949,96	
Transport volunteers (go and return)**	€	2.490,69	€ 6.440,65	
Lodging Bosnia Erzegovina + donation schools	€	1.000,00	€ 7.440,65	
Meals for volunteers Bosnia-Erzegovina	€	2.400,00	€ 9.840,65	
Materials management school volunteers	€	570,10	€ 10.410,75	
Schools improvements		€ 300,00	€ 10.710,75	
Local travels	€	450,00	€ 11.160,75	
Purchase materials in Bosnia-Herzegovina (for daily activities, parties, gifts party)	€	3.522,35	€ 14.683,10	
Purchase materials in Italy		€ 0,00	€ 14.683,10	
Children snack	€	638,10	€ 15.321,20	
Verify meetings (lodging, meals, material) *	€	474,73	€ 15.795,92	
TOTAL			€ 15.795,92	

\* If can't participate to formation and verify meetings (subject to approval / consent of the project responsibles), the participants are still required to pay 30 euros a share for the materials will be provided. This is reffered to italian volunteers

\*\*we calculate it considering all volunteers from Italy

Please note that items of expenditure in the local currency made the Bosnian Convertible Mark has been restated in euros

NOTES TO TOTAL COSTS

The costs reported in the table above are the total costs of the entire project, formators and responsibles work for free as volunteers and pay the fee, the project by providing their expertise. Likewise, all costs of transport, lodging and meals of missions in Bosnia-Herzegovina for the preparation and verification of the project are borne by the responsibles.

About 80% of the material that will not be used during the weeks of animation will be left to schools and local associations. Alla scuola viene lasciata una donazione economica base standard pari a 1000 euro che oltre a coprire le spese di acqua e luce nel periodo di permanenza dei volontari, pari a circa il 25% della donazione, pari a circa il 75% della donazione, serve a coprire spese sostenute dalla scuola durante l'anno, in questi anni è stato usato dalle scuole per l'acquisto della legna per il riscaldamento invernale, per l'acquisto di materiale didattico per gli alunni meno abbienti, per pagare la merenda (che in alcuni casi costituisce il pasto) agli alunni meno abbienti. La donazione ovviamente copre solo parte di questi costi (ragioniamo su circa 2000 alunni distribuiti in 4 sedi) e durante l'anno il Collettivo cerca di contribuire con altre donazioni.

according the possibilities to use own veichles we can abate cost of transports.

This yeat we have set ourselves the goal to limit in Italy, if not zero, the purchase of the materials for activities, willing to privilege the local economy, among other things, canceling out the cost of transporting the same.

In total approximately 62.65% of the costs of the project takes place in Bosnia-Herzegovina

Always considering the hypothesi of 15 volunteers, including all the days we work on the project, we will have total of 350 working days, including the part dedicated to projecting, forming and verifying and included all part of the preparation and construction of the project during year, 350 days available to work on a voluntary basis without any form of financial retribution.

In the purchase of materials and foodstuffs will be our careful to use the products as possible ethically sustainable.

As is easily seen from the data of the registration fees and the sum of total costs, the Collective Wanderers of Peace covers 31% of project costs (this percentage increases if the number of volunteers doesn't reached 15 units), not wanting to over-burdening on the economic availability of volunteers to make the project accessible to more people.

We underline that, in line with its principles, the Collective Wanderers of Peace for his own free choice has no access to public funding and supports its activities, which are not exhausted in the "Giochiamo la pace – Igramo Miru", with the self-financing, the organization of initiatives such as the Balkan Noc, dinners, sales of books, shirts and pins.

This choice preserves the Collective Wanderers of Peace by strumentalization of its projects, allows the free expression of their thoughts and the freedom to carry out its initiatives, and the proposition of a model of cooperation, solidarity and internationalism from bottom as opposed to the Official Cooperation that follows flows funding instead of the objectives of the projects, where funds are substantially functional to the maintenance of the association and not to developing projects, we are free from these logical and we claim our free nature and the projecting from the bottom.

## The Collective Wanderers of Peace will inform in time the volunteers of any change in relation to the dates.

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"Thanks to every man and woman who have decided to spend a little of their time to make me understand that the world is really country and that if there is a nook in which the world is well summed up this one must force to call Bosnia Herzegovina" **Alberto** 

"The children of Krupa are fantastic, all different, each of them has stayed with me in a unique way. For each I have the memory of a moment, an expression, a way of laughing, smiling, to greet. I think of them, watch them in the photos, but more often they are to enter my thoughts while bulldozers shout!" **Kija** 

"Bosnian children are like and how Saharawi children or children Yemenis, but they are still children ... .. and so have the right to be encouraged and supported .... I met 18 men and women who love and respect life, I met the "Vagabondi di Pace"! "**Fabio** 

"They are local people first to recognize the effort and the effort required to implement the project and to appreciate its effectiveness." **Max** 

"Bosnia is rich and generous but also greedy and possessive, you take and you do not let go, but it gives you the intimacy you take in pledge the heart. You feel at home there, surrounded by the warmth of the people, but at the same time you slam in your face poverty, hopelessness and deep distress" **Tombo** 

"Every year trips again something that I'm asking to cross the border because they are still there in front of policemen in uniform to show my passport with the rucksack on my back. Indeed, to say the truth I did not ask even more, why: I go there just because I feel inside me that is the right thing to do" **Pià** 

"It is not, I think, simply beautiful, simply, let's face it, a little '... it is rewarding for the volunteer .. it is so much more. It is a sign of a bond that is created is a sign that is not the same for them that we are or not, is what makes me think that it could not be less than the word implied that I have with these children." **Schbabby** 

"Experience something special that takes you throughout the year, there is, we go back with the memory and smile in the midst of revising them to children who scream and shout for joy. It is an experience that will grow, there must get involved, get dirty without delay, be with them to feel themselves." Simone "Brko"

"In Bosnia, we must take advantage of the atmosphere. The reports will be impregnated with feelings and adventures." Mau

"I am not an educator, I have participated in this Bosnian experience to learn a reality far more difficult than ours, and to play .. and I had the honor to play with little people full of enthusiasm, wit and character. Will I forget their names but not their eyes, their vitality. Their joy even for the simplest things is a hope and a sign that no teacher would send me." **Tella** 

"at the end the real answer I found in the eyes of children in the morning you pull down on the sleeping bag because they want to play with you after kilometer to come to the school, in the satisfaction of those who after creating something with their own hands, not even remotely similar to the prototype to which you have worked for hours the day before, and with a white pride show it to you how it was one of the most precious treasures they possess, and indeed it is, in the words of one who thanks you kindly the mere fact of being there with them to try to talk in front of a kafa". **Vale** 

"I believe that the project solidarist of Collective Wanderers of Peace is this: want to meet, know, accept, understand and give value for what you ... see the unity and equality of human beings in the difference .. yes, Bosnia gets into your heart, eyes and live each day thinking about her ... but above all are the children who will steal your soul, remind you, that grab your heart, creating a special bond with you that you can really build something beautiful and important for a better world. So IGRAMO MIRU! Thanks Vagabondi! "**Ela** 

"people who find themselves sharing something great and out again monday, children's smiles, ran and games to invent and then if it doesn't go as we thought, it means has been even better, sometimes I abstract from the chaos and I wonder why? because we are there, why?, who makes us do spend our free time so, I wonder me and I tell me and answer to me a thousand smiles, small gestures, the words that permeate every moment we inside and out, yes is I am convinced a new world from this part from here, believe it so strongly to devote it my life" **Roby**