MATANEL FOUNDATION

ACTIVITY REPORT

Program: The Beit Project
Year: 2012

Please present your activity report according to the following lines. The whole rapport will not exceed 2 or 3 pages (as word document).

Name of the Program: THE BEIT PROJECT

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Give the actually state of the program (where the program stands at the date of the activity report, no more than ten lines):

After a successful year, realizing the programmed activities in 3 cities, Barcelona, Rome and Paris, The Beit Project is now beginning a new phase by launching the project in Brussels, for which the project was awarded the High Patronage of the European Parliament.

The main achievements during the last year of activity (main achievements, number of events, number of participants, etc.):

After the first realization with Jewish schools in Paris and Barcelona, the project was this year realized in a collaborative way between Jewish and non-Jewish local schools in Rome and Barcelona. The number of pupils involved in each of the following cities had expanded and in the last project of the year 2012, in Paris, more than 120 pupils from 3 schools were participating.

In each city, more than 180 people have participated in the Final Presentation events, and a video resume was made of each of it, that can be viewed on our website, and with those links:
Paris: http://youtu.be/-7Rd74oAONM
Rome: http://youtu.be/nU8JXvv-EfQ
Barcelona: http://youtu.be/hg9tVdeEYFY

This website became a very useful tool, on which all the visual material is constantly posted: http://thebeitproject.org/. In addition, we have developed a Facebook page with additional information about the current sessions going on in each city: http://www.facebook.com/thebeitproject.creatingconsciousness

All the participating schools until now have asked to be part of next local editions of the project.

The evaluation (methodology, results, comparisons with the precedent year, conclusions for the future…):
The evaluation plan is based on 3 sources:

1. the working papers and the videos realized by the pupils before and during the workshop
2. the answers and participation to the questions made to all participants during the Final Presentation
3. a questionnaire filled by all participants (Pupils, teachers and staff) after completion of every phase (all evaluation questionnaires are scanned and can be submitted under solicitude)

Workshops became more fluid after we have reformulated the time schedule in last editions, and the participation of the teachers has been reinforced to reach a stronger connection to the classroom studies.

In addition, we have seen the need to begin earlier in the year the enrollment of new schools so they can ask for local subvention to cover their financial participation.

The participation of the families and local policy-makers in the Final Presentation was very high (more than 220 people in Paris) but we have to work harder on the press relations to increase the echo in local medias.

**Provisional guide lines for the advancement of the program in the next year:**

We will visit 4 cities during 2013, among them Brussels (currently), then Barcelona between March and June. Berlin, in partnership with the Jewish Museum of Berlin will be the first city in the new school year (August-September) and then Paris (October-November 2013).

**A summary table – as PDF document – specifying the progress in the program since the beginning of the encouragement by the Matanel Foundation according to the main parameters and objectives such as:**

**Number of events:** 2011 was mainly dedicated for the preparation of the project, until the beginning early November.
We realized an important number of on-site workshops:
Barcelona: 16, Rome: 24 and Paris: 32
3 Community events
3 Formation workshops
3 Experts committee meetings

**Number of participants:**
Since November 2011, the number of participants has constantly increased: from 1 class in Paris to 2 in Barcelona, 4 in Rome, and 4 in Paris 2012. The Community Events we realized in each cities gave the opportunity to present the project to a larger audience became included an increasing number of participants, around 200 persons in Rome, including parents, teachers as well as local personalities for education and Heritage preservation.

In last edition of the year, in Paris, an important group of local policy-makers from the Paris City Hall, the Ministry of Education and the Heritage preservation administration attended the Final Presentation:
Please join photos – as photos – and any document connected to the program which will seem to you relevant – as PDF document.

Some pictures from The Beit Project in Barcelona

Some pictures from The Beit Project in Rome

Some pictures from The Beit Project in Paris October-November 2012