

SUMMARY WORKSHOP 5: Rotaract & Core-Alumni

Goals of the workshop

- Getting to know Rotaract projects in other districts
- Developing ideas for cross-border Rotaract club projects with Rotary clubs and European RYLA alumni in 3 groups
- The projects should promote the European idea and enable international networking

Successful Rotaract Projects

Rotaractors from Rotary Club Lyon-International present the following projects: Delivery of Christmas trees, Pedestrian rally, Chocolate and wine evening. D2042 presented their Divergo project, raising awareness of neurodevelopmental disorders and the impact they have on the social life of the sufferer, and the Sportiva event where they collaborate with a prison to realize a sports event. From 1830, the Rotaract KidsCamp, where Rotaractors try to give children the opportunity to look across the pond, and the “Buy One More” action were presented.

How can we integrate CORE alumni?

- A way to create a community for RES alumni and Rotaractors to stay in contact across the three countries
- Starting from the current year with 18 alumni to have the chance to create valuable friendships and to learn from each other
- Events to support the idea: environmental projects, cultural projects, exchanges in hands-on projects with Rotaract, e.g., clubs from France and Italy are invited to help a club in Germany for a social project to help together and learn from each other
- Include young people who have made the Rotary experience → include them in the community by an annual event & existing events
- We need a group in all districts that is **constantly** reaching out to alumni and funding
- Attach the event to an existing anchor event, e.g., the next CORE conference. Make the alumni commit to the meeting during the next RYLA.
- Italian Rotaractors will prepare the side event for the alumni next year in Italy and make sure that alumni are integrated in the program. Rotaractors from the other districts will be invited.
- Existing platforms for communication needed, e.g., Workplace (WorkChat), LinkedIn, Whatsapp, Core Website

Idea for a joint Rotaract project

- Specific action in all countries (Water Day in March) for one big video to show what Rotaractors and the Rotarian family can do. Bring more people every year.

- Projects: e.g., Clean Walk, Recycling, use an existing action to start
- Next step: How can we communicate together to move on motivated with a specific idea for the next year
- Virgile and Elisa will set up a call to further work on the project.

How can we use the NGSE opportunities between the three countries?

- Using the Rotary and Rotaract network to inform and motivate young people to learn a trade and matching them with member companies who are willing to train them
- Connecting the idea of vocational training with a matching project to learn a trade → preventing poverty and social problems by training important skills
- Motivate people to take an opportunity that is offered by Rotary. Use Rotaractors' connections to young people.
- Rotaract and Rotary are not employment agencies, we reach out to people individually and help them without a bureaucratic act. Campaign in meetings to introduce the subject and find supporters.
- Use New Generations Service Exchange (NGSE) opportunities between the three districts to allow for the exchange of skills.
- Steve (RC Stuttgart-International) will set up a call to further discuss the idea.

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