

XIII National meeting of solidarity

BARI 27 – 30 september 2012

CALL FOR PAPERS

8 IDEAS TO CHANGE THE WORLD

Participate at the International Conference for YOUTH IN THE EUROMEDITERRANEAN

Bari, Saturday 29 September 2012

ANPAS needs ideas!

The <u>National Association for Public Assistance</u> is an organization of volunteers that has as its main focus the construction of a more just and united society through the development of a culture of solidarity and rights, the spread of participatory democracy, the promotion of society in each territory, and the creation of a community of solidarity in Italy and abroad.

The activities of ANPAS:

Activities within an institutional framework Activities outside an institutional framework Communication and Images National Civil Service Civil Protection International Adoptions and Cooperation Training

Over the last few years, ANPAS, also through the support of important European networks like Samaritan International (SAMI) and the European Center for Volunteering (CEV), has developed a particular attention to European policies in the belief that our country can be a bridge to the countries of the Mediterranean. Last year we also acceded to the Mediterranean Autonomous Network for Youth (MANY), a network of youth in the Mediterranean that wants to promote the meeting and sharing of knowledge between youth belonging to different social and cultural groups, affirming a culture of learning. ANPAS doesn't want volunteers to remain indifferent to the grand phenomenon that the countries bordering the *mare nostrum* are experiencing, which have appealed to our affluent society with movements of people (migration) and socio-political upheavals (the Arab Spring). So then? So we would like to see what's in store beyond our shores, learn new ideas, and build relationships in the Mediterranean. Through this Call for Papers, we invite the youth of society, citizens 32 years of age and younger, to share ideas to better the world, to construct a more just and united society, for the development of a culture of solidarity, for the protection of the environment and of common goods.

In ANPAS, we believe that the collaboration of different worlds gives birth to better ideas: share your experience and knowledge, and together we will try to transform our ideas into a concrete project, that through intercultural dialogue can have a real impact on the territories. **Act local, change global!**

Do you have an idea to change the world? Share it with us!

We have chosen the **National Meeting of Solidarity** that will be held in **Puglia**, a natural bridge between Europe and the Mediterranean, where 8 youth will present their projects: **8 ideas to change the world**, in particular in the area of relations between Italy and the people of the Mediterranean, presented by youth of these countries.

How it works

Among all the ideas received, only 8 will be selected, that can be presented on the occasion of the **International Conference of Youth of the Euromediterranean** that will be held in Bari, Saturday the 29th of September 2012.

Therefore, if your idea convinces us, you will fly to Bari and have **10 minutes** to present your idea, in the most attractive mode. **Are you ready?**

Who can participate

The projects can be presented by **youth under age 32**, who have reached the age of maturity in their country or who are at least 18 years old.

The participants can be **residents** in Italy or in these countries: Morocco, Algeria, Tunisia, Malta, Libya, Egypt, Israel, Palestinian Authority, Jordan, Lebanon, Syria, Turkey, Cyprus, Greece, Albania, Montenegro, Bosnia-Herzegovina, Croatia, and Slovenia.

We would also like to hear the ideas of **immigrants** that live in Italy but come from these countries: the true bridge of the Mediterranean!

Criteria for selection

The proposals received will be evaluated by a commission, composed of individual members of ANPAS, who will select the 8 most original, creative, effective, and feasible ideas.

How to participate in the Call for papers? 5 rules to follow

- 1. By the **30th of June 2012** at 12:00 PM (CET), you must submit your idea by filling out this form and send it to internazionale@anpas.org
- 2. It doesn't matter if your idea is unedited: you can present something that you have already done or simply something that you have in mind to do.
- 3. If you are selected, by the **10th of September 2012** you must send to <u>internazionale@anpas.org</u> a pdf or a multimedia presentation (slides, videos, slideshow, photos, etc.)
- 4. The proposals can be submitted in Italian and/or English, the languages that will be used for the presentations during the conference.
- 5. To present your idea you have free range: use video, images, put on stage your idea! But remember: you don't have more than **10 minutes**!

Conditions of participation

To those who will be selected, you will be given the opportunity to participate in Bari at the entire National Meeting of Solidarity that will be held from Thursday the 27th of September to Sunday the 30th of September. ANPAS will pay the costs relative to accommodation, meals, and transfers to the headquarters of the Meeting. To promote better organization of the day, participants will make sure to specify the necessary logistics for transfers, so that we can make arrangements.

According to the country of origin, where necessary, Anpas will bear the costs of the entry visa and support its request with the Italian authorities.

Read the official rules of the *Call for papers in the website www.anpas.org* Contact Person

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The thirteenth edition of the **National Meeting of Solidarity** will be held the **27th to the 30th of September 2012** in Bari, organized by ANPAS in collaboration with the Regional Committee of ANPAS in Puglia. This is an annual event, inaugurated in 2000, with the participation of thousands of Public Assistance Volunteers, as well as representatives of Italian Institutions and the Third Sector.