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ANNUAL REPORT OF "FICE SERBIA" 2009

MEMBERS

Our membership list has indicated that in 2009 members of "FICE Serbia" are:

- Homes for children without parental care (17)
- SOS Children's Village`s (2)
- Homes for children with developmental disorders (3)
- Centers for Social Work (7)
- Institute`s for children and adolescents with behavioral disorders (3)
- Institute`s for Social Care (2)
- Center for foster care (1)

More than 90% of members are regularly paying the annual membership fee, which is 50 euros/year average (with exception of several large members that have a higher fee). Fee is based on number of employees (size of) institutions.

LIST OF REALIZED ACTIVITIES IN 2009:

- February 2009: **Final Symposium on the project "Support to reform of foster care in Serbia"** with 130 participants - one of the results are further steps in implementation of this project (attached Report of the Symposium and Project)
- **Organization of two art competitions for children** from the institutions - on the occasion of Easter on the occasion of 60 years of the Council of Europe (information available on the site "FICE Serbia").
- With the support of the " Mission of Saint Anastasia" "FICE Serbia" has **provided its members with donations in the laundry detergent**. Beneficiaries are 7 institutions of child care (with reduced budget)
- **One day experience exchange** between members of "SOS Children's Village" and "Center for protection of infants, children and youth," supported by "FICE Serbia". Goal was creation of new procedures and standards of the child care institutions.
- **Sixth vocational meeting of "FICE Serbia"**, 23-25 September 2009. with the topic "Organization of the transformed facilities for children and young people." The aim of the gathering was support of the ongoing process of transformation of institutions for children in Serbia. Guest was Thomas Polkovski from organization "Our House", Warsaw, Poland.

Assembly of the Association:

- Preparations for the re-registration of the Association in accordance with the new Law on Associations
- Decision on the implementation of the model of "family group conference" as part of activities "FICE Serbia"

- Decision on the implementation of the model of Individual planning as well as to seek funds for implementation from the Ministry of social care
- Decision to continually promote the organization and all members applying for projects related to the transformation of institutional care and welfare of children living in institutions

REGIONAL COOPERATION

Regional cooperation with "FICE Southeast Europe" network, was realized by participation of "FICE Serbia in:

Meetings of "FICE Southeast Europe"

- "Camp of Friendship 2009 of children", by FICE SEE, in Macedonia, 15-23 August, Struga (participation of the Home "Drinka Pavlović" from Belgrade)
- Continuous education in the region of Southeastern Europe - project managed by FICE SEE-(Representative of Serbia was the Home "Dusko Radovic" from Nis, training took place from 26-29.08.2009. in Mostar.)
- Annual Assambly of FICE Macedonia in 2009, as a guest and associates

INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION

At the international level "FICE Serbia" as a member of a regional network of FICE Southeast Europe took part in regular FICE Federal Council International in Copenhagen (May 2009) where the Zeljka Burgund was elected to the executive board of the organization, as a member (Executive Committee).

"FICE Serbia" participated the federal FICE International Council of Ohrid, Macedonia, October 2009th

DEVELOPMENT OF ORGANIZATION

1. Constant promotion of the mission, objectives and activities of the organization, through meetings, conferences, articles in professional magazines and medias (magazine "Social care actualities" and "Voice of the centers of social work"), and the organization of creative activities for children (atrt competitions and exhibitions) and communication with the media.
2. Presentations MINI PRIDE in Sombor, Serbia, as well as in Macedonia
3. Preparation of project applications for the realization of "Family Group Conferences" at BCIF
4. Refresh and update information on the site FICE Serbia, which has exists since April 2008. at www.ficesrbija.rs

Budget of "FICE Serbia" in 2009. was based on membership fees (minor), as well as on significant contribution and support of "Jeugdenkinderzorg" from Zwolle, that has financially supported office maintance, services of assistant, as well as organization of Sixth vocational meeting assambly.

2009. was for "FICE Serbia" a year that was marked with benefits of MATRA project (realized 2007-9) that has made possible to have a regular supply of materials, renting office, as well as good communication with members.

Prepared by Zeljka Burgund, president



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