

**In our busy and eventful life we all need to believe that we can do everything.
But to be a little more specific, in this issue we can:**

- open EYP season of Ukraine in FrankNational style! (National Session of EYP-Ukraine 2011);
- not only plan but accomplish, though plan still comes first! (EYP-Ukraine Activities Plan 2011);
- get a closer look at the Board of EYP-Ukraine (Introduction of the new Board);

- start a project, which is new for EYP (Introduction of the EYP-Polls Project);
- be proud of ourselves for organising a successful International Session in Ukraine (Lviv IS 2010 – second IS in Ukraine: not bad for non-EU country, huh?).

Spring is finally here and we are still re-living the event that definitely marked the awakening of our EYP Nature and made our hearts beat faster. The first Ukrainian session of the year took place in a beautiful city of Ivano-Frankivsk on March 4-7, 2011. FrankNational Session 2011 welcomed creative, and bright participants from all over Ukraine and abroad.

All of the session discussions were united under the topic 'Social Responsibility in Europe: On the Way to Unifying Standards'. 90 bright individuals from all over Ukraine were selected for participation in the conference. Firstly, they made a preparatory research and then worked on their resolutions during the two-day committee work. Thus, the session included one day of team-building, 2 days of committee work, and 1 day of General Assembly. During the session jury members selected the best of the best to form Ukrainian delegations at two International Sessions in Athens (spring 2011) and Zagreb (autumn 2011).

Evening activities included traditional Eurovillage, which was more of Ukrainian village, where Ukrainian delegates had the opportunity to represent the regions they came from. And, of course, great parties. The activities were planned in a way that they were interesting and entertaining. The organising team worked hard to assure that all the participants of the FrankNational Session 2011 have gained useful experience and a lot of fun at the event.

The time spent in Ivano-Frankivsk was full of magic heart-warming moments and bright events! And you will definitely hear more stories from the participants, because it was awesome!



We Can take a closer look at the board of EYP-Ukraine

Year 2011 is all about action and new energy that was brought by newly elected and inspired Board of EYP-Ukraine. Democratic elections took place during the last General Assembly in 2010, and now when all our Board Members are up and running to achieve the goals they set for themselves and us for this year, it is time for EYP-Ukraine to get to know it's leadership better. The new Board is a perfect mix of intelligence, logic, thoughtfulness, patience, determination and fun, with a slight tint of blonde attitude glued together by outstanding organising skills.

We are about to find out WHO are at the wheel of EYP-Ukraine, WHAT are they doing, WHEN have they become members of the EYP and for how long they are enjoying it, WHY they will be great Board Members, and, most important, WHERE to find them.



Who? Katya Vynogradova: 'No motto, just trying to see beauty and happiness in everything, and yes, 'don't panic!'

What? President

When? In EYP since 2006 => 5 years

Why? To keep EYP moving as it did before, maybe even better; to preserve the sustainability of this lovely project, and to help people develop in EYP. And, of course, my goal (quite egoistic, yup) is to enjoy one more year with lovely people on the board, leadership, and the whole EYP world.

Where? katya.vynogradova@eyp-ua.org

Who? Dmytro Honcharenko: 'Work hard, party even harder.'

What? Board Member on Regional Development

When? As for my path in EYP, I have started back in 2007, so I guess you can call me old-school :)

Why? To organise small-scale but high quality regional events; to establish one annual event which will serve as a brand event of EYP-Ukraine; to develop regional branches and create a strong team of motivated members in all regions of Ukraine.

Where? rd@eyp-ua.org



Who? Anna Suprunenko: 'Cognition comes through comparison.'

What? Vice President on Public Relations

When? In EYP since 2007

Why? The main goal of the PR department for the upcoming year is to make EYP highly-spoken organisation both among youth and in media. What's more – to make membership in EYP valuable for all members by organising different training and entertaining events.

Where? anya.suprunenko@eyp-ua.org and pr@eyp-ua.org



Who? Kristina Chelmakina: 'Long you live, and high you fly, smiles you give, and tears you cry, all you touch and all you see, is all your life will ever be!'

What? Board Member on Human Resources

When? In EYP since 2008, so 2,5 years now :)

Why? Develop strings of friendship amongst as many EYP members as possible and meet most of the members personally. Re-establish organisation's Happy Hours and bring them to various Ukrainian cities. Attract new members to EYP by implementing personal innovative projects in cooperation with other youth NGOs.

Where? hr@eyp-ua.org

Who? Illya Symonenko: '- Wait, that will never work. - Well... there's only one way to find out!'

What? Vice President on Fundraising

When? This is my 4th year of EYP/since 2007

Why? To create an encompassing fundraising strategy for EYP-Ukraine and each of its numerous events. This includes laying down ground rules to follow and also a process of sharing experience and ideas between the past and present organisers and fundraisers in the Fundraising Department. In this way we can ensure that each event has a solvent financial strategy and base and also that there are people in the organisation, who are ready and willing to help with fundraising.

Where? frd@eyp-ua.org



Who? Nataliia Tarasevych: 'There are no limits to perfection.'

What? Board Member on International Activities

When? In EYP since 2007

Why? My goal is to provide an opportunity for all Ukrainian EYP members to experience EYP internationally :)!'

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We Can not only plan but accomplish!

Though, plan still comes first:)

We all have dreams and we really want them to come true, so, every time we can we make a wish – over birthday cake candles, on eyelashes, on falling stars and then, we wait and hope. But, if one really wants to have his dreams come true, he transforms a dream into a goal, and then makes a plan to realise it.

Our common dream in EYP-Ukraine is to develop EYP in our country and make the experiences unforgettable. That's why, for a year 2011 we've made a very rich and eventful plan:

- National Session in Ivano-Frankivsk (March)
- Regional Session in Chernihiv (August)
- Regional Session in Kryvyi Rih (October)
- Inter-Rail Tour 2011 (September)
- Post InterRail Conference, Harkiv (December)

And adding to that there are regular General Assemblies, mini-sessions, EYP Days, Europe Days, Happy Hours, and even more in between.

As you can see, this year is going to be very busy. But in EYP-Ukraine we are happy to be busy and we'll do our best to make all these plans and dreams come true. Because, that's what you do, when you really want something – you make a plan and then you work very hard on its completion. But, a falling star should never be ignored! ;)

This year, EYP will start a new activity called the European Youth Polls. EYP Polls will comprise the short opinion surveys amongst young Europeans with the aim of bringing out the voice of the European youth on current political topics. The polls will reflect the opinion of EYP members (not the organisation itself), thus delivering an informed opinion on current topics from young people in different European countries. EYP Polls Project will further strengthen

the role of the EYP to serve as a forum for young people to voice their opinions. In general, the project will mean more visibility for EYP and its activities.

We are happy to announce that EYP-Ukraine will be taking part in this EYP project, and both Natalia Tarasevych and Anna Suprunenko, who are coordinating EYP Polls in Ukraine, are looking forward to get this project started! Stay tuned for the upcoming news on this one.

We Can start anew!
A new project for EYP

We Can be proud of ourselves

Last year we put together a very successful International session.

Year 2010 was very meaningful for EYP-Ukraine. We were honored to host the 65th International Session of the EYP, which took place in Lviv on October 21-31, 2010. It was the second time EYP-Ukraine got to organise an international session (the first one being KIS – Kyiv IS in October 2006).

The theme of the session was 'Responsible Europe – Sustainable Future'. All issues discussed during Lviv IS have been very important for the European society, therefore EYP-Ukraine did its best to attract as much public attention to the event as possible. On October 21 press-conference was held in Lviv City Hall to announce the opening of International Session. The session website and blog were launched, to allow the participants and the public read session news, also get personally acquainted with officials' team and exchange thoughts on committee topics and other issues concerning the session.

Team of organisers, led by two head organisers, Oksana Andrusyak and Katya Vynogradova, did their best to make Lviv IS 2010 the event of the year, interesting and productive experience for all 320 participants of the session from 33 European countries.

Ancient and beautiful city of Lviv welcomed Europeans. All session venues combined the historical and educational spirit with comfort and beauty – Ivan Franko National University of Lviv, Lviv Polytechnic National University, 'Dnister' and 'Irena' hotels and of course, amazing city park landscapes for team-building.

The Session was a great success; it has received positive and appreciative reviews from official authorities, EYPers and sessions delegates. In order to make the experience even more memorable, besides usual EYP-session activities all session participants took part in the successful attempt to break Guinness World Record.

Also to increase the social impact of the event and to show that responsible European youth cares for sustainable future for everyone, EYP-Ukraine asked all delegates to bring one toy with them. After the session, all the toys were collected and given to one of the orphanages in Kyiv, together with sweets and lots of positive emotions. All in all, the 65th International Session of EYP in Lviv exceeded all expectations and proved to be an unforgettable EYP-experience for everyone.

