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European Youth for the Olympic Truce

The European Forum for the Olympic Truce at Genoa's PalaDonBosco



GENOA - The waves of peace and sport are meeting with the Mediterranean ones in Genoa, European Capital of Culture 2004, the perfect city to host an event such the European Forum on the Olympic Truce: this is an important moment of comparison and union in order to build the peace having fun through multicultural and intergenerational instruments like art and sport.

Inside the Second European Youth Forum (8th-11th June 2004), organized from the Sport Center PalaDonBosco and the Cultural Association "Il Tempietto", PeaceWaves has planned and managed the first two days of the program, involving more than one hundred young people with a seminary on the Truce, four workshops and some other activities.

This big group of participants has been composed by some young members of the Europe Council, students from Caserta, Crotone, Grugliasco (Turin), Pontedera

(Pisa) and a group of European Peace Leaders from the Province of Turin. They managed in first person some activities of the forum.

This forum has represented not only an occasion of training and meeting, but it founds its own force in concrete objects and in the full involvement of the participants. The first result obtained has been the realization of a Kids' Guernica canvas (in the photo) inspired to the topics emerged during the workshops: an evidence of peace, expression of sport and art un-

ion, in front of which it is impossible to remain indifferent. An other objective reached has been the writing of a draft of UN Resolution for the respect of the Truce during XX Winter Olympic Games of Turin 2006: a document watching to the future with the confidence, the enthusiasm and, at the same time, the determination of the young people.

The European Forum has given continuity to the job carried out by the students and teachers in the Seminar held in Pratinat in the past February: it represents a fundamental step inside

of "Diamoci Tregua". This project focus on the Truce not only as the ambitious request of stopping conflict during the Games, but also as an effective occasion for peace, human rights, sustainable development and equal opportunities: a common point of departure in order to build a better world.

This is the message that comes from the young people of the new Europe spreading in the whole world: not only united in the diversity, but also for a world of peace through art, sport and Olympic Truce.

Vittorio Pennazio



More than 100 young people at the Seminar

Peace, Solidarity and Olympiads the key-words

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GOING IN DEPTH
Olympic Truce, a process from below

Keywords of processes

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Olympic Truce



An international group for the UN Resolution for Turin 2006 Olympic Games

Communicating the Truce



Una cartolina e molte idee per sensibilizzare alla Tregua Olimpica

Kids' Guernica



Art as a peace tool and an alternative channel of communication

Truce on the move



We need the Truce in every day of our lives, starting from the school...