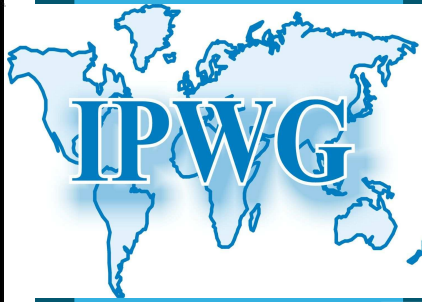


# NEWSLETTER



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*„Shaping perspectives“*

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## IPWG at the European Board's Meeting

At the upcoming EBM in Torino, where about 300 youngsters will gather from all the AEGEE network in Europe, the **International Politics Working Group** will hold the workshop „Europe and the world“. The workshop will be focussed on the relations between the EU and other actors on the global scene, and it will be based on the outcomes of the Y VOTE convention on „EU and the world“. The convention was held in Poznan in January in the framework of the Y VOTE 2009 campaign, whose partner is the IPWG. The IPWG board will promote and discuss with members the possibility to establish a cooperation, organise activities and exchange ideas between Europeans and yo-



EU as a world center - just an Europeans approach?

ngsters from other world regions.

The workshop „Europe and the World“ will be the platform to start developing the project. During the workshop you will be free to join one of the country or topic teams, e.g. the China Team or the UN Team, and contribute with your ideas to

develop the content, activities, and promotion of the project.

Feel free to join us on Sunday 15th February 2009 at 11.30 during the EBM Torino for the workshop „EU and the World“.

In addition, you will have the opportunity to talk to other IPWG members and board members present at the EBM in Torino. At the plenary, and during the AEGEE cafe (Round Table discussion) on Friday 13 February at 8pm, we will have a presentation of IPWG and... Welcome all international politics enthusiasts!



## EU and the world - new project

Given its external vocation, the IPWG is the group within AEGEE with the greatest potential to engage on a global scale. Following a recent survey among its members, the IPWG has conceived a project aimed at developing this potential. The aim of “Europe and the World” is to connect youth and promote inter-cultural dialogue world-wide. This will be achieved by holding a series of activities in sev-

eral countries of the world.

### What kind of activity?

The events will be one or two week conferences.

### Where?

Preliminary contacts have been established with potential partner organisations in the following countries:

China, Colombia, India, Pakistan, South Africa

### Which topics?

Strengthening civil society, citizenship and democracy; Fight against racism and xenophobia; Interethnic and interreligious dialogue; Post-conflict resolution and reconstruction; Active role of women in society or Minority rights.

The project is still up to discuss with members during workshop.

# EUROPE and the WORLD



## IPWG and Y VOTE

As you might know AEGEE is organizer of wide european campaign aiming to encourage first time voters to take active part in approaching European Parliament elections in June 2009. At recent convention of Y VOTE held in Poznań, Poland on 9-15 January on „Y VOTE on

EU and the world” IPWG gave a presentation and meet members. The conference was held in 5 thematic streams—CFSP, Economic relations, EU enlargement, EU as a world and EU at world stage, gave lot of outcomes to be presented for network in „Youth

Agenda” (final document of campaign covering youth opinions in political issues). IPWG as a partner of campaign supports it by sending members, consulting agendas and strategies or providing workshop facilitators... The manager of this convention was IPWG board member Cezary who is also coordination team member of Y VOTE 2009 campaign.



## Proud to be a member!



Since May 2009 IPWGGROUP has enlarged a lot... Therefore we would like to present our new members: Peter

Langmar, Christina Holtmanns-poetter, Jahangir Memmedov , Sander Nijboer, Irina Sardarova, Jennifer Kessler, Sandra Geldmacher, Can Uz , Aynura Maharramova, Sjle Verheijen, Anastasia Petrushkova, Annelies De Coninck, Anna Matusinova, Anna Szramkowska, Ilaria Egle Porta, Slawomir Szopa, Gokhan Guzel, Marjola Van Kuijk, Julia Batkaeva, Julianna Markus, Berker Adiguzel, Cri-

stina Ioana Istrate, Maria Morozova, Dinara Izmaylova , Aniko Zsofia Kovacs, Marcin Artur Witkowski, Gabor Horvath, Marta Benet Gutierrez, Samir Maharramov Cornelia Hoffman, Anatoli Tsakalidou ,Serkan Canak

We are looking for further engagement in the group!

## YIA - Diplomatic Seminar applied

AEGEE Budapest with IPWG applied for grant to 1 February deadline again as previous application was rejected. We still believe to be granted and have opportunity to organize Diplomatic Seminar 'Diplomacy and Democracy' this year at 7-13 September

2009 . This one week conference is an international gathering of 35 students interested in international politics and diplomacy to learn and discuss issues of current international affairs. Here we would like also to thank A-Budapest Team – Aron, Szilard,



Anita and Ildiko for preparing the application

## European Citizenship Training Course

The next organizer of European Citizenship training continuously organized by IPWG with local will be AEGEE Thessaloniki! Congratulations! This event is going to take place in October 2009 During this seminar participants will have opportunity to exchange knowledge, express ideas and work out in field of need of European Common Citizenship and Identity.



## IPWG board & members meeting!

We are glad to announce that the IPWG will hold a meeting with members in order to discuss projects and strategies for 2009.

**Where?** In

**Poznan**, Poland

**When?** From 6 to 8 of March

**Who can apply?** Every IPWG member...

**Number of participants?** 10

**Is there a participation fee?** Yes, 15 € covering

accommodation, meals and a great social programme!!!

**How to apply?** You only

have to send an email to [ipwg@aegee.org](mailto:ipwg@aegee.org) specifying your name, surname, local,

and a short motivation telling us the reason why you would like to attend and how you would like to improve the activity of the IPWG.

**The deadline for applications is 8 February 2009.**

Furthermore, we strongly encourage you to fill in the following **surveys**, it only takes five minutes and is of precious help for us to improve our activity.

**YOU & IPWG**

[http://www.surveymonkey.com/s.aspx?sm=FN1IkXdQdgUP\\_2f7LySHd0xg\\_3d\\_3d](http://www.surveymonkey.com/s.aspx?sm=FN1IkXdQdgUP_2f7LySHd0xg_3d_3d)

**Development of IPWG**

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## IPWG Journal

IPWG board would remind you that the IPWG offers the chance, to every AEGEE member willing to develop his/her ideas in the form of articles, to have it published in the IPWG Journal.

Journal youtube movie:

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=CIGm4slz5ZQ>

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Your **IPWG** board - **Agata, Chris, Maciej, Mario, Justin, Eren and Cezary**



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