

**EZine 29        12th March 2021**

*YouthPact have compiled some links to resources, training and tips for our new working from home life for your information.  If you have something to share with your Peace4Youth colleagues, send these to our administrator Seana Carmichael (*[*Scarmichael@cooperationireland.org*](mailto:Scarmichael@cooperationireland.org)*) and we can compile a further e-newsletter.*

**YouthPact Peace4Youth Support Bubbles  16/03/21  14.30-15.30**

YouthPact are facilitating online support bubbles with Peace4Youth Workers. This is a space for Youth Workers to meet, share ideas, and discuss emerging themes that are impacting their work. The next session is at **2.30pm on Tuesday 16 March**. Sessions last 1 hour.  If you have not yet registered, and are interested in taking part, please complete the form:

[https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1arWwWLO2z8wctbZu\_RGXDuPbZu9tdvvMSz2Jc\_9hBtU/edit](https://protect-eu.mimecast.com/s/gvGmCM112U2GmBCkGH7f?domain=eur03.safelinks.protection.outlook.com)

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**EU PEACE PLUS Programme (2021-2027) Public Consultation**

The SEUPB is seeking your views on the new PEACE PLUS Programme for 2021-2027. It will support activities that contribute towards a more prosperous and stable society in Northern Ireland and the border counties of Ireland. These will include activities that promote peace and reconciliation and contribute to the cross border economic and territorial development of the region. Click on the link below for further information, including how to respond.

[https://www.seupb.eu/PEACEPLUS](https://protect-eu.mimecast.com/s/V8kjCN002FZ1ykcjNYhN?domain=seupb.eu)

**Forging a New Frontier in Peacebuilding and Education**

Forging a New Frontier in Peacebuilding and Education is the theme of for the upcoming Peace Sharing Forum event taking place over two half days on 24 and 25 March, 2021.  Educators and Peacebuilders are forging new pathways in their respective fields as a result of the global pandemic and digital transformation.  Learn how student agency and community resilience can be enhanced while tackling these new challenges. To register and for more information on the programme, speakers, and partners including [Co-operation Ireland](https://protect-eu.mimecast.com/s/23pJCO882uNoQ1Croq5x?domain=cooperationireland.org/) click on the link below.

[https://www.globalpeace.org/event/2021peace-sharing-forum](https://protect-eu.mimecast.com/s/m3A4CPQQ9f0qVzC6Xrs3?domain=globalpeace.org)

**Future Leaders' Programme**

Co-operation Ireland, the leading Peace building charity, is delighted to announce that it is [open for registration](https://protect-eu.mimecast.com/s/VdiyCQ772uXmZvIA1Cob?domain=cooperationireland.org/) for a number of accredited all island training modules as part of its [Future Leaders’ Programme](https://protect-eu.mimecast.com/s/lFSmCR110UG8Z4UQBFw0?domain=cooperationireland.org/). Spaces are limited on each of the [current courses](https://protect-eu.mimecast.com/s/3ch9CVQQkf21QqCEt1Cp?domain=cooperationireland.org/) to 20 participants, and there will be the opportunity at the end to engage in a series of Mock Interviews and panel discussions with employers and programme ambassadors and Supporters.  Potential future projects include Young People voices on the future of the Island of Island, International learning clusters and cross border youth led exchanges and workshops.

[https://cooperationireland.org/projects/future-leaders-programme/](https://protect-eu.mimecast.com/s/6M8eCWqqlI6vorSOJoaO?domain=cooperationireland.org/)

**Youth Network For Peace (YNP) Peace IV Climate Campaign**

The Youth Network For Peace (YNP) Peace IV Climate Campaign can be run as an activity for youth leaders working with groups either remotely or together if and when restrictions allow and is open to everyone. The purpose of this campaign is to highlight and start a discussion about how we can act locally to support achieving positive change for our climate while thinking about the four sustainable development goals relating to this. The deadline for submissions is April 12th and full details on how to get involved can be accessed below.

[https://www.youthworkireland.ie/what-we-do/news/youth-network-for-peace-climate-campaign2](https://protect-eu.mimecast.com/s/6yVrCX550t43rEIQYQBR?domain=youthworkireland.ie)

**Anti-racism Month 2021**

Every year in March [INAR](https://protect-eu.mimecast.com/s/_MHFCY55ntDPBVuQaIXv?domain=inar.ie/) and its Network celebrate a month full of events focused on anti-racism, diversity and equality. It's an important month for both Irish and global Anti-Racism Movements due to various national and international dates focusing on combating racism and celebrating diversity taking place, with the main focus on the International Day for the Elimination of Racist Discrimination on the 21st of March.  
[https://inar.ie/march-the-anti-racism-month-2020/](https://protect-eu.mimecast.com/s/jubFCZ00oF7yBKCR5zi2?domain=inar.ie/)

**Corrymeela Podcast**

The Corrymeela Community have produced a series of Podcasts.  This is the third in the series and may be of interest to those of us thinking about peacebuilding as an aspect of our day and daily work.  there is an exercise with four questions that could be used and/or adapted for a session with workers or young people  [https://www.publictheologyireland.com/podcast](https://protect-eu.mimecast.com/s/TCsPC2WWotVAy5Sx1v0F?domain=eur03.safelinks.protection.outlook.com)

Host Pádraig Ó Tuama interviews Rev. Dr. Johnston McMaster, who has spent decades - both as an ordained minister and as a writer and lecturer - considering the overlap between politics, history and religion in the divided loyalties on both sides of the border in Ireland.    
[Full copies of the transcript — together with four reflection questions for groups or individuals — can be found through this link.](https://protect-eu.mimecast.com/s/k63tC3wwpuXVNDI5xp7Q?domain=eur03.safelinks.protection.outlook.com)

**Plugged in, Switched off**

Barnardo's 'Plugged in, Switched off' is an interactive webinar and workshop from taking place on the 30th March 2021 aimed at parents and professionals working with children. The aim of the webinar is to empower parents and professionals with tools and strategies to help manage children’s Screen Time and Digital Wellbeing, as well as to discuss and learn from each other in break out workshops based on different themes.

[https://www.barnardos.ie/learning-development/training/online-safety-programme/plugged-in-switched-off?mc\_cid=5cf7080eb5&mc\_eid=9c4a58d994](https://protect-eu.mimecast.com/s/SYSwC4LLquzGk4TqHgVx?domain=barnardos.ie)

**Individual Recognition for Professional Youth Workers with 15+ Years' Experience**

The North South Education and Training Standards Committee for Youth Work (NSETS) has recently approved a process whereby those who do not hold qualifications specifically in youth work (and therefore do not hold an NSETS-endorsed award) but who have been continuously engaged in professional youth work practice for 15 years or more can apply for a statement of individual recognition.  For more information and details on how to apply please see NSETS website

[https://www.youth.ie/articles/individual-recognition-for-professional-youth-workers-with-15-years-experience/](https://protect-eu.mimecast.com/s/EN1XC5LLruMONkiPGBf9?domain=youth.ie/)

**Youth Work response to Covid-19**

Also, some participants have asked for further details of the publications and reports referenced by Marie-Claire McAleer during her input at the North-South Youth Work Managers’ Workshop.  It’s a longish list, apologies, but we thought they were worth sharing to all participants as they may be helpful/informative to you and your organisation in reflecting on what’s just happened and in planning ahead.

* [OECD Policy Responses to Coronavirus (COVID-19)](https://protect-eu.mimecast.com/s/LZ3YC699vfPxwLHwkGJa?domain=eur03.safelinks.protection.outlook.com) Youth and COVID-19: Response, recovery and resilience

[Youth and COVID-19: Response, recovery and resilience (oecd.org)](https://protect-eu.mimecast.com/s/MqEbC8EExSXx4NIYB3_Y?domain=eur03.safelinks.protection.outlook.com)

* Impact of the COVID-19 crisis on young people

[Impact of the COVID-19 crisis on young people | Eurofound (europa.eu)](https://protect-eu.mimecast.com/s/a6WmC0LLmuklPNCPZ5qB?domain=eur03.safelinks.protection.outlook.com)

* 'How’s Your Head: Young Voices During COVID-19' report

[SpunOut.ie](https://protect-eu.mimecast.com/s/xSWOCj88kuYkNotwY_6a?domain=eur03.safelinks.protection.outlook.com) [https://spunout.ie/news/covid-19/hows-your-head-young-voices-during-covid-19-report](https://protect-eu.mimecast.com/s/Qcb6Cl77mu1D4Rf52U5f?domain=eur03.safelinks.protection.outlook.com)

* What does the pandemic mean for children? #CovidUnder19 Global Survey results

[https://www.qub.ac.uk/research-centres/CentreforChildrensRights/NewsEvents/WhatdoesthepandemicmeanforchildrenCovidUnder19GlobalSurveyresults.html](https://protect-eu.mimecast.com/s/W-x8CmyynhpG4yi7Q7nI?domain=qub.ac.uk)

* The RAY network – The impact of Coronavirus on youth work in Europe 2020

[https://www.researchyouth.net/reports/](https://protect-eu.mimecast.com/s/D049CnOOoUXQB9IRsDa7?domain=researchyouth.net/)

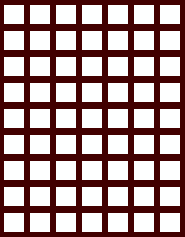
* Is history repeating itself? The impact of the COVID-19 crisis on youth

[https://www.eurofound.europa.eu/publications/blog/is-history-repeating-itself-the-impact-of-the-covid-19-crisis-on-youth](https://protect-eu.mimecast.com/s/asZkCoyy0hDJW2uX9vUX?domain=eurofound.europa.eu)

Click [here](https://protect-eu.mimecast.com/s/bsTCCp22qh9P64Srxw7q?domain=eur03.safelinks.protection.outlook.com) to access a copy of the NYCI ‘Review of the Youth Work Sector Response to the COVID-19 Pandemic’ report, which Marie-Claire McAleer presented on at thew workshop. You can also access an infographic summary of the report’s findings [here](https://protect-eu.mimecast.com/s/nPAzCqZZru1GwYfx4HE3?domain=eur03.safelinks.protection.outlook.com).

**Just for fun**

In the following Hermann grid illusion the gray spots appear at the intersection because of the inhibitory response which occurs as a result of the increased dark surround. Take a closer look - do you see any grey spots where the black lines intersect? In fact, there is nothing.



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