

THE ABRUZZO REGION AT THE « OPEN DOORS DAY» OF THE INSTITUTIONS WITH THE « YOUTH AND BRUSSELS BASED-REGIONS » PROJECT

On 9th May, for the **seventh consecutive year**, the Abruzzo Region will participate in the « **Open Doors Day** », traditional appointment for the **Institutions** in order to celebrate the anniversary of the **Schuman Declaration** and the launch of the process of **community integration**.

As usual, it will take place at the **Committee of the Regions**. Only two Italian regions, respectively the **Lazio** Region and the self-governing Region of **Valle d'Aosta** will take part in the rendezvous.

This initiative is generally an opportunity to take advantage of an extraordinary visibility and to review some of the best practices of the regions. As far as the Abruzzo Region is concerned, the « **yBBregions-Youth and Brussels based** » project will be the subject of the discussion concerning informal/non-formal training, in which the **Dubrovnik-Neretva** Region (Croatia), the **Lubuskie Region** (Poland), and the **self-governing region of Presov** (Slovakia) will take part.

The project, which has completed the first of the two planned years of activities, gives the opportunity to young people from these four regions to be part of a platform of cooperation and common informal/non-formal training in the respective regional offices of Brussels, through programs of **European voluntary service** and **transnational exchanges**.

Young people who will benefit from this exceptional training offer will be selected among unemployed young people (aged 18-30) as far as the **European voluntary service** program is concerned, and among young workers and unemployed young people aged 18-25 as far as the **transnational exchanges** program is concerned.

The conditions and the duration vary depending on the programs: the European voluntary service program lasts for **13 weeks** and the transnational exchanges program lasts for **2 weeks**. **Food** and **accommodation** expenses are covered, as well as the travel costs. As far as the European voluntary service program is concerned, the candidates selected will also receive a monthly **pocket money**.

Further information on the « Open Doors » of the institutions:

http://europa.eu/about-eu/basic-information/symbols/europe-day/index_en.htm

Website of the « yBBregions » project:

<http://yBBregions.eu.org/>

Facebook: <http://www.facebook.com/yBBregions>

Twitter: <http://www.twitter.com/yBBregions>

Further information of the **Abruzzo Region** in Brussels:

<http://www.regione.abruzzo.it/xEuropa/>

<http://www.facebook.com/abruZZelles>

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