



Centre for the Cooperation in the Mediterranean

Report 2013 *Executive Summary*

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INTRODUCTION

The Centre for the Cooperation in the Mediterranean (CCM) of the Spanish Red Cross is the office created in 2005 for the follow-up of the resolutions of the Mediterranean Conference of the Red Cross and Red Crescent*.

The CCM is supported by the Spanish Red Cross and its regional Committee in Catalonia. It also counts on the support of the *Generalitat de Catalunya* (Government of Catalonia), the Barcelona City Council and the Italian Red Cross.

As underlined by the Dubrovnik Declaration deriving from the 11th Mediterranean Conference held in Croatia in 2010, participating National Societies reaffirmed their commitment to actively support the CCM, provide it with information concerning their activities, actively participate in its programmes and promote an efficient partnership with the members of the International Red Cross and Red Crescent Movement. National Societies' commitment would be essential to jointly tackle, at regional level, the following humanitarian challenges: protecting and providing assistance

to migrants; climate change and environment, the social effects of the world economic crisis and the role of youth in the present and future of the region.

The CCM Plan of Action 2011-2014 was designed to provide a follow-up of the Mediterranean Conference recommendations on the above mentioned issues.

Based on the needs of the Conference, the mission of the Centre for the Cooperation in the Mediterranean is to:

- ◆ *Host of the Permanent Office for the Follow-up of the Mediterranean Conference*
- ◆ *Facilitate the follow up of the resolutions of the Conference*
- ◆ *Promote partnership between National Societies of the Mediterranean, the exchange and sharing of experiences regarding the areas of interest of the Conference which contribute to the fulfilment of the International Red Cross and Red Crescent Movement's purposes.*

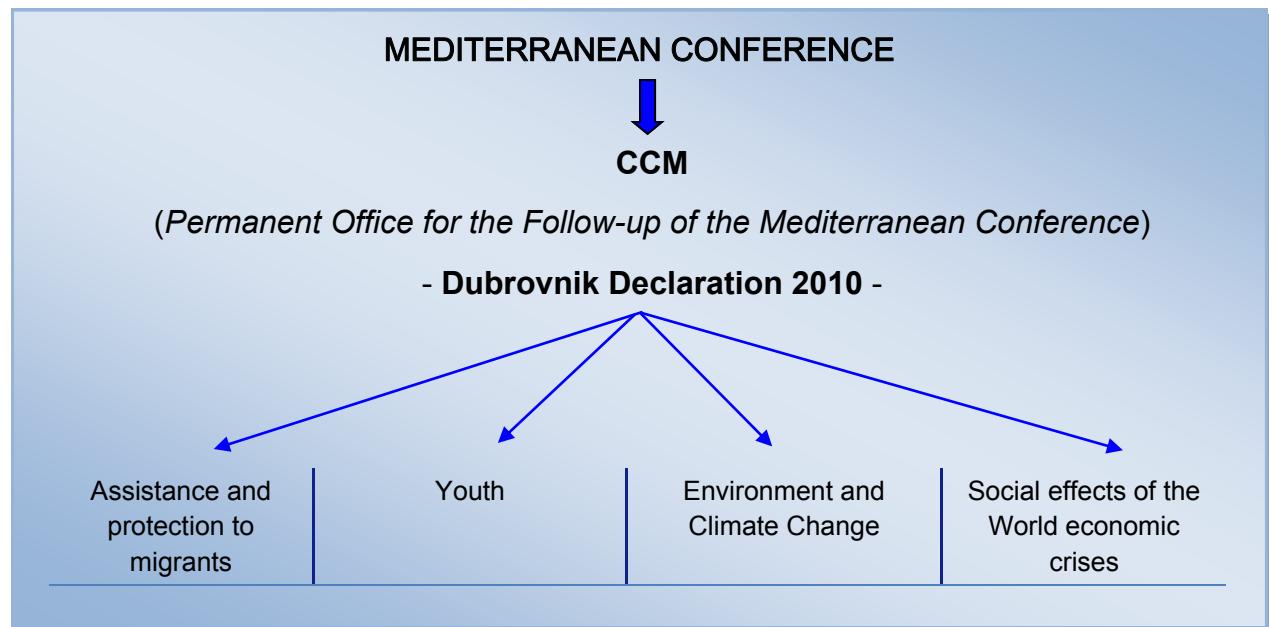
*The Mediterranean Conference convenes 26 National Societies of the Red Cross/Red Crescent (RC/RC) which have historical or geographical links with the region, namely those of: Albania, Andorra, Algeria, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Croatia, Cyprus, Egypt, Slovenia, Spain, France, Greece, Israel, Italy, Lebanon, Libya, Malta, Monaco, Montenegro, Morocco, Palestine, Portugal, San Marino, Serbia, Syria, Tunisia and Turkey.

FRAMEWORK OF ACTION

The Centre has developed its work throughout 2013 according to the objectives established in its Action Plan for the 2011-2014 period, approved by the Governing Board.

Objectives of the Plan of Action 2011- 2014

1. Support National Societies and the governing bodies of the Mediterranean Conference in the follow up of the Conference's concerns, with special regards to:
 - ◆ Assistance and protection to migrants;
 - ◆ Climate change and environmental sustainability;
 - ◆ Capacity building of Youth sections;
 - ◆ The social effects of the world economic crisis.
2. Help and provide technical support in the organization of the exchanges of experiences and best practices on the Conference's issues.



3. Encourage the interaction and partnership among Mediterranean National Societies as well as the networking with other actors of the International Red Cross and Red Crescent Movement and other international organizations.
4. Encourage and increase the visibility of the actions and recommendations of the Mediterranean Conference as well as the Centre's activities in Mediterranean fora.

As the current report will show, such objectives are structured around two main results.

Main results

1. Supporting Mediterranean National Societies in their follow up on the issues of the Mediterranean Conference;
2. Cooperation and networking in the areas of interest of the Mediterranean Conference has increased.

DETAIL OF ACTIVITIES PERFORMED IN 2013

Result 1. Mediterranean National Societies were supported in their follow up on the issues of the Mediterranean Conference.

ASSISTANCE AND PROTECTION TO MIGRANTS

1.1 Movement Meeting on the Humanitarian situation in the Mediterranean

It was organized in collaboration with the IFRC and the ICRC, with the support of the Spanish Red Cross, as a follow up of the previous edition organized by the Italian Red Cross in Rome on the 22nd and the 23rd of March 2012.

Focus on:

- Follow up on the recommendations from the High Level Movement Meeting held in Rome in March 2012;
- Discussion and review on how National Societies have tackled the issue of migration since the last meeting, including lessons learnt;
- Strengthening of the humanitarian response in the field of migration whilst capitalizing on National Societies experiences.

Action points agreed:

- The process of formalization of a Mediterranean Movement platform on migration (including its RFL dimension) will be started through the development of

Terms of Reference that the IFRC, the ICRC and the CCM will prepare and send to all participants for approval;

- The Mediterranean platform will continue to reflect upon the humanitarian situation in the region while focusing on the three distinctive domains of assistance, protection and advocacy with strong cross cutting elements of cooperation, coordination and partnership. To this end, a mapping will be carried out on how Mediterranean National Societies have implemented/are implementing their migration programmes in the domains of Assistance; Protection; Advocacy. This will be done through a simple questionnaire which will be completed by National Societies inputting their activities as appropriate;
- Regional twinning between National Societies concerning programmes on migration will be fostered by the CCM in coordination with the IFRC and the ICRC;

- New possibilities will be envisaged on how to connect Migration into wider CCM work on youth trainings focusing, among others, on climate change.
- The celebration of the 2015 Movement meeting of the Mediterranean Platform on Migration could take place in the frame of the next Mediterranean Conference of the Red Cross and Red Crescent which will be hosted by the Red Cross of the Republic of San Marino.

Structure: plenary sessions and working groups.

Number of participants: 48

National Societies involved: 11 National Societies (Bosnia and Herzegovina RC, Croatian RC, Egyptian RC, French RC, Hellenic RC, Italian RC, Malta RC, Mauritanian RC - invited under coordinators' request although not a member of the Mediterranean Conference -

Other RC/RC members involved: IFRC (Migration Unit, Europe Zone, RC/EU Office; North Africa Regional Office); ICRC (Paris Office; delegations from Tunisia and Libya); PERCO network; CCM

Other entities: European Institute of the Mediterranean.



1.2 Mediterranean Movement Platform on Migration

It was born as an action point of the Movement Meeting on the Humanitarian situation in the Mediterranean to be implemented by the CCM in 2014

General Objective: reinforcing and improving the action of the RC/RC Movement at regional level in the field of migration

Specific Objectives:

- The facilitation of information flow between National Societies through the focal points;
- The mapping of RC/RC migration programmes at regional level;

- The promotion and dissemination of the RC/RC best practices on migration;
- The exchange of experiences at Mediterranean level through 'twinning mechanisms'.

CLIMATE CHANGE AND ENVIRONMENTAL SUSTAINABILITY

2.1 Workshop on Sustainable consumption and gender – Youth Camp Atlantis IX



It was facilitated by Ms. Dafne Mazo Urbaneja and Ms. Maria Lopez Blanch, members of the Regional Activity Centre for Cleaner Production (CP/RAC), within the framework of the Mediterranean Youth Camp "Atlantis IX".

Objective: strengthening the awareness of young people towards environmental challenges and their consequences on human lives, as well as providing them with the necessary tools and

information not only to change their own individual habits, but also inform and improve the behaviours of those around them family, friends, co-workers, children, etc.

Evaluation: the workshop was valued excellent or good by **94, 7% of participants**.

Venue: Jahorina, Sarajevo, Bosnia-Herzegovina

Date: 1st and 2nd of July 2013

Duration: 7 hours

2.2 Workshop on Human Rights and Environment – Youth Camp Atlantis IX

It was facilitated by Mr. Osman Arrobbio, of the UNESCO Chair in Sustainable Development and Territory Management of the University of Turin (Italy), within the framework of the Mediterranean Youth Camp “Atlantis IX”.

Objective: reinforce the knowledge and awareness of young people towards Human

Rights, their basic and principal elements, their relation with environmental issues, such as the access to safe drinking water and climate change.

Evaluation: the workshop was valued excellent or good by **75% of participants**.

Venue: Jahorina, Sarajevo, Bosnia-Herzegovina

Date: 1st and 2nd of July 2013



2.3 Workshop on Water, Sanitation and Health: actions at RC/RC Youth level – Youth Camp Atlantis IX

It was facilitated by Mr. Stojan Mishev from the Macedonian Red Cross, within the framework of the Mediterranean Youth Camp “Atlantis IX”.

Objective: improve participants' knowledge and

raise their awareness towards the fundamental link between Water and Sanitation, and its effects on human health.

Evaluation: the workshop was valued excellent

or good by **84% of participants**.

Venue: Jahorina, Sarajevo, Bosnia-Herzegovina

Date: 5th and 6th of July 2013

Duration: 7 hours

2.4 Special session of the RC/RC Climate Centre – Youth Camp Atlantis IX

It was facilitated by Ms. Fleur Monasso, from the Red Cross/Red Crescent Climate Centre, within the framework of the Mediterranean Youth Camp “Atlantis IX”.

Content: The facilitator presented the mission and the action of the RC/RC Climate Centre and explained what climate change is, making participants reflect on its consequences through an activity concerning global warming. Then she presented the Climate Training Kit, a set of tools that National Societies can use to raise aware-

ness on the risks of climate change.

Venue: Jahorina, Sarajevo, Bosnia-Herzegovina

Date: 3rd of July 2013

Duration: 2 hours



2.5 Mediterranean Youth Photo Contest on Environment and Climate Change: “Respecting our world: every change starts from youth”

The CCM annually organizes a photo contest for youth in the Mediterranean region.

Objective: give youth an opportunity to express themselves creatively and show their vision on their own potential to create a positive change in the world.

Subject: themes concerning youth, environment and climate change.

The most representative 15 photographs were selected and exhibited during Atlantis IX. Among them, the jury chose the best one: “Dead Society”, taken by Adam Slacanac, from the Croatian Red Cross. The winner was invited to participate in Atlantis IX, although, due to academic commitments, he was not able to attend.



2.6 Terra Game

The CCM has implemented the game in the Mediterranean Youth Camp “Atlantis IX”.

Objective: by reflecting the influence of human activity on the general degradation state of the planet, the game aims at making participants

aware of the fact that everyone is involved in the task of preserving and improving the environment, both at local and global level.

Activity: The game activity puts participants into

different problematic situations related to environment and sustainable development, encouraging them to debate in order to come up with sustainable solutions that will save their lives.



CAPACITY BUILDING OF YOUTH

3.1 Atlantis Youth Camp IX – “Saving Water, Saving Lives”

The 9th edition of the Atlantis Youth Camp was organized in collaboration with the Red Cross Society of Bosnia-Herzegovina, with contributions from the IFRC Europe Zone and the Hewlett-Packard Company.

General objectives of the Camp: promote intercultural dialogue and partnership among RC/RC youth leaders in the Mediterranean region; empower youth as dynamic models of change for their local communities; enhance capacity building and encourage practical actions and joint activities; share best practices and lessons learnt with other RC/RC youth branches; increase and enhance the commitment to the RC/RC Principles and Values.

Specific objectives of the 8th edition:

- Provide young volunteers with knowledge and tools to promote an environmentally sustainable lifestyle;
- Build and support capacities of young volunteers to promote the access to safe drinking water and sanitation as a human right;
- Train young volunteers to act as agent of change within their communities in order to disseminate a human rights based approach towards the environment, hence

building a culture of non violence and peace;

- Promote intercultural interaction, partnership and networking among young volunteers of the Red Cross/Red Crescent across the Mediterranean region.

Structure:

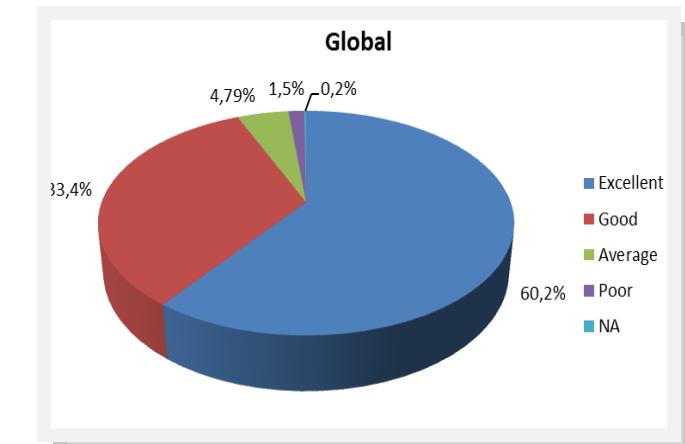
- 6 thematic workshops in English: "Human Rights and Environment", "Sustainable consumption and Gender", "Youth Employment and Green Economy", "Water, Sanitation and Health: actions at RC/RC youth level", "Youth as Agents of Behavioural Change (YABC)" and "Leadership Skills";
- Special sessions: Sharing of National Societies' Best Practices with respect to the promotion of environmental sustainability; RC/RC Climate Centre; First aid linked to environmental hazards: interactive demonstration (RCSBiH), Terra Game (CCM);
- Side events: Get to Know You night (CCM), Recycled Paper Laboratory (CCM and CP/RAC), The Volunteer I Want to Be (CCM), a Cultural Flee Market, and a farewell party.

Number of participants: 75 participants

National Societies involved: 15 National Societies (Andorran RC, Bosnia and Herzegovina RC, Croatian RC, Egyptian RC, French RC, Hellenic RC, Italian RC, Lebanese RC, Libyan RC, Monaco RC, Montenegro RC, Palestine RCS, RC of Serbia, Spanish RC and Turkish RC).

Other RC/RC members involved: IFRC Europe Zone, RC/RC Climate Centre.

Other entities: the Regional Activity Centre for Cleaner Production (CP/RAC); the UNESCO Chair in Sustainable Development and Territory Management - University of Turin; the Regional Education and Information Centre for Sustainable Development (REIC).



3.2 Mediterranean Youth Workshop “Youth promoting a culture of non violence and peace”



The workshop was organized in collaboration with the Spanish Red Cross, through its delegation in the Balearic Islands.

General objectives: reinforce the skills and build the capacities of Red Cross and Red Crescent Youth volunteers in those areas related to the promotion of a culture of non-violence and peace, in order to carry out programmes that inspire positive behavioural changes at community level.

Specific objectives:

- Increase knowledge about the importance of promoting a culture of non-violence and peace and its values;
- Provide technical tools and practical means to spread the knowledge acquired among National Societies' Youth sections;
- Strengthen the ability of Youth volunteers to be effective communicators and leaders as agents of behavioural change for their

National Societies and local communities;

- Promote Youth skills in participation at community level;

- Allow the sharing of information and the exchange of best practices coming from the different national programmes on the targeted subjects;
- Foster mutual understanding, cooperation and intercultural dialogue among the youth participants in order to disseminate the principles and skills acquired.

Structure:

six thematic workshops, facilitated in English: "IFRC Principles & Values", "Workshop on Peace Education", "Workshop on Non-Violent Communication", "Workshop on Photography in Emergency", "Youth as Agents of Behavioural Change" and "Leadership Skills".

Special sessions: sharing of National Societies' Best Practices with respect to the promotion of a culture of non violence and peace;

Side events: Get to Know You Night (CCM), a Cultural Flea Market, a farewell party.

Number of participants: 34 participants

National Societies involved: 13 National Societies (Bosnia and Herzegovina RC, Croatian RC, Egyptian RC, French RC, Hellenic RC, Italian RC, Lebanese RC, Moroccan RC, Palestine RCS, RC of Serbia, Spanish RC, Tunisian RC and Turkish RC).

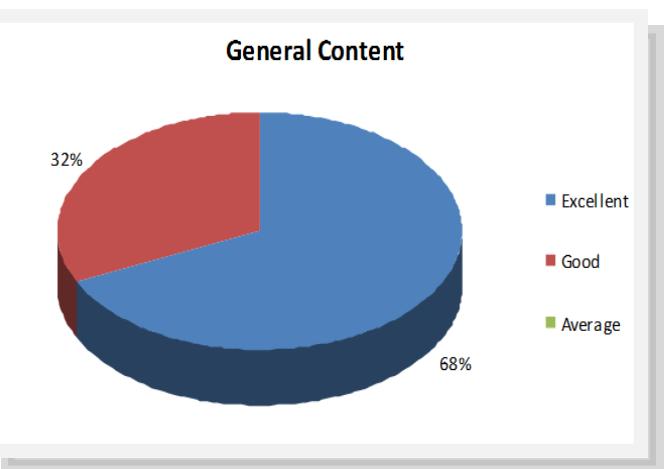
Other RC/RC members involved: IFRC P&V Department, the IFRC MENA Zone.

Other entities: the School of Non-violent Communication

Evaluation: the event was valued excellent or good by **100% of participants**.

Venue: Palma de Mallorca, Spain

Date: 30th September – 6th October 2013



3.3 Workshops on YABC

During 2013, the CCM organized two workshops on YABC, one –which was facilitated jointly by the Red Cross Society of Bosnia and Herzegovina, the Italian Red Cross and the CCM- within the framework of the Mediterranean Youth Camp “Atlantis IX”, and the second – which was facilitated jointly by the Egyptian Red Crescent, Tunisian Red Crescent, the Palestine Red Crescent Society and the CCM- within the framework of the Mediterranean Youth Workshop “Youth promoting a culture of non violence and peace”.

Objective: promote a culture of non violence and peace, in a context of social inclusion and intercultural dialogue

Evaluations:

Atlantis Youth Camp IX: the YABC workshop was valued excellent or good by **86,6% of participants.**

Mediterranean Youth Workshop “Youth promoting a culture of non violence and peace”: the workshop was valued excellent or good by **87% of participants.**



3.4 Workshop on Leadership Skills



During 2013, the CCM organized two workshops on Leadership Skills, both facilitated by the Italian Red Cross: one within the framework of the Mediterranean Youth Camp “Atlantis IX” and the second within the framework of the Mediterranean Youth Workshop “Youth promoting a culture of non violence and peace”.

Objective: reinforce participants' capacities in order to play a leading role in their National Society, promoting a positive change in attitudes and behaviours.

Evaluations:

- *Atlantis Youth Camp IX:* the workshop was valued excellent or good by **89,6% of participants.**
- *Mediterranean Youth Workshop “Youth promoting a culture of non violence and peace”:* the workshop was valued excellent or good by **94% of participants.**

3.5 IFRC Principles and Values special session – Mediterranean Youth Workshop “Youth promoting a culture of non violence and peace”



It was facilitated by Ms. Sophie Sutrich, Senior Assistant at the IFRC P&V Department, within the framework of the Mediterranean Youth Workshop “Youth Promoting a culture of non violence and peace”.

Objective: improve participants' knowledge and skills on how to apply the RC/RC International Movement's Fundamental Principles and Humanitarian Values in daily tasks, giving special

relevance to the IFRC Strategy 2020 Strategic Aim 3 regarding the promotion of a culture of non violence and peace and social inclusion.

Evaluation: the workshop was valued excellent or good by **94% of participants**.

Venue: Palma de Mallorca, Spain

Date: 1st October

Duration: 4 hours

3.6 Workshop on Peace Education – Mediterranean Youth Workshop “Youth promoting a culture of non violence and peace”

It was facilitated by the Italian Red Cross, within the framework of the Mediterranean Youth Workshop “Youth Promoting a culture of non violence and peace”.

Objective: give an overview of the Italian Red Cross activity on Peace Education, its methodology and analyse and reflect on one's

Self in order to change, if necessary, the perception people have of 'the other'.

Evaluation: the workshop was valued excellent or good by **90% of participants**.

Venue: Palma de Mallorca, Spain

Date: 2nd October

Duration:

4 hours



3.7 Workshop on Non-violent Communication – Mediterranean Youth Workshop “Youth promoting a culture of non violence and peace”



It was facilitated by Carolina Pascual from the School of Non-violent Communication, within the framework of the Mediterranean Youth Workshop “Youth Promoting a culture of non violence and peace”.

Objective: strengthen participants' knowledge regarding Non-violent Communication and provide an overview of the methodology in order to make participants understand the importance of

an honest connection with others and with ourselves.

Evaluation: the workshop was valued excellent or good by **51% of participants**.

Venue: Palma de Mallorca, Spain

Date: 4th October

Duration: 5,5 hours

3.8 Workshop on Photography in Emergency – Mediterranean Youth Workshop “Youth promoting a culture of non violence and peace”

It was facilitated by Ibrahim Malla, media consultant at the IFRC MENA Zone Office, within the framework of the Mediterranean Youth Workshop “Youth Promoting a culture of non violence and peace”.

Objective: raise participants' awareness on the importance of providing documentary evidence of the RC/RC work, keeping all along volunteers safe and respecting the dignity of the persons portrayed.

Evaluation: the workshop was valued excellent or good by **83% of participants**.

Venue: Palma de Mallorca, Spain

Date: 5th October

Duration: 1,5 hours



3.9 MedYouth Port@I

The MedYouth Port@I is a creative and interactive space of encounter, exchange and dialogue for youth. It aims at creating a common channel of communication and information sharing on youth programmes and activities and it will share tools and resources originating from youth and aiming at youth in order to support the knowledge and replication of best practices.

During 2012 the MedYouth Port@I was officially launched at the Mediterranean Youth Seminar “Humanitarian Consequences of Forced Migration” and the CCM is continuing to implement the platform design as well as the interactive tools, its contents and accessibility.

SOCIAL EFFECTS OF THE WORLD ECONOMIC CRISIS

4.1 Workshop on Youth Employment and Green Economy – Youth Camp Atlantis IX

The workshop was facilitated by Mr. Vedad Suljic and Mr. Azrudin Husika, representing the Regional Education and Information Centre for Sustainable Development (REIC), within the framework of the Mediterranean Youth Camp "Atlantis IX".

Objectives: raise awareness on the challenges

and opportunities related to youth employment in a context that calls for urgent environmentally sustainable behaviours and actions, intended as a pre-requisite of inclusive growth.

Evaluation: the workshop was valued excellent or good by **34% of participants**.

Venue: Jahorina, Sarajevo, Bosnia-Herzegovina

Date: 5th and 6th of July 2013

Duration: 7 hours

Result 2. Cooperation and networking in the areas of interest of the Mediterranean Conference was improved.

ACTION 1

Support to the organization of the Mediterranean Conference

Continuing in its task of collecting National Societies' feedback on the follow up questionnaire regarding the previous Conference, in order to identify the themes of interest to be developed and discussed in the 12th Mediterranean Conference, during 2013 the CCM also continued working on the logistical preparation of the next Mediterranean Conference.

In spring, following a meeting by the Vice-President of the CCM, the National Society which will host the next Mediterranean Conference was identified: the Red Cross of the Republic of San Marino expressed their will to welcome the representatives of the National Societies members of the Conference.

The Governing Board of the Centre

During 2013 one virtual meeting of the Governing Board was called in which the following documents were approved: the activity report for 2012; the financial report for 2012 and the 2013 economic forecast, together with the submission of the candidature of the Red Cross of the Republic of San Marino for the 12th Mediterranean Conference.

ACTION 2

The Collection of Best Practices

It is a platform aiming at facilitating and spreading the sharing of information between the Mediterranean National Societies specifically with regards to employment practices but also regarding the main priority areas of the Conference. It is intended to be a tool for the transfer of knowledge: it enables Mediterranean National Societies to access a variety of different programmes already used, or currently underway, giving them a better understand of the complexity of options presented before them.

During 2013, a generic form was sent out to Mediterranean National Societies in order to let them compile the main facts of their programmes, enabling the CCM to collect further data which will be made available on the CCM website.

ACTION 3

Partnership and collaborations

The Centre has carried out a constant work, keeping contact with National Societies, the IFRC as well as other public and private bodies related to the field of work of the Centre.

Partnership within the International Red Cross and Red Crescent Movement

The CCM participated in several events and meetings amongst which we would like to mention:

Youth Commission Meeting, held on the 27th and 28th June 2013, in Geneva (Switzerland);

Youth Commission led IFRC Y.E.S. Workshops, held on the 29th of June in Geneva;

PERCO meeting, held in Budapest on the 16th and the 17th of April;

National Youth Camp of the Spanish Red Cross, held in Toledo (Spain) from the 16th to the 24th of August;

Training course for the Italian Red Cross Volunteers in International Cooperation, held in Ciampino (Rome, Italy) from the 2nd to the 6th of January;

Youth on the Run, held in Prignano sulla Secchia (Modena), Italy, on the 23rd and the 24th of November and organized by the Italian Red Cross though its Regional Committee of Emilia Romagna;

Jump 2013– National training event of the Italian Red Cross, held in Bologna from the 6th to the

8th of December.

The CCM strengthened its collaboration with the RC/RC National Societies of the Mediterranean and counted on the technical support of the IFRC and the ICRC in several activities during 2013. In particular, the IFRC Migration Unit, the Europe Zone, the RC/EU Office and the North Africa Regional Office- gave a fundamental contribution in the implementation and the follow-up of the Movement Meeting on the Humanitarian situation in the Mediterranean, as well as the Principles & Values Department in the Mediterranean Youth Workshop "Youth promoting a culture of non-violence and peace". Furthermore, The CCM is collaborating with the ICRC for the organization and the follow-up of the Movement Meeting on the Humanitarian situation in the Mediterranean. Together with the IFRC, the CCM and ICRC are also working on the Mediterranean Platform on Migration initiative to be implemented in 2014;

Promotion of Volunteering: at present, the Centre in coordination with the Spanish Red Cross in Catalonia, counts on volunteer profiles related to the fields of: international cooperation, task management, administration management and communication.;

During 2013 the Centre incorporated collaborators of different countries: 16 volunteers coming from France, Spain, UK and 2 interns coming from Italy, and Sweden.

Partnership with the public sector as well as with international and national organizations

The *Generalitat de Catalunya* (Government of Catalonia) and the City Council of Barcelona reaffirmed their role as permanent partners of the CCM. Thanks to their support and cooperation the CCM was able to carry out its mission as well as reaffirm its presence in the Mediterranean fora.

ACTION 4

Visibility

4.1 The presence of the CCM in Mediterranean fora was increased

The CCM took part in:

- The 2013 edition of the Mediterranean Forum of the Anna Lindh Foundation, held in Marseille (France) from the 4th to the 7th of April, as one of the panellists' in the 'Urban Spaces and Citizenship' session.;
- Meeting for Young Leaders – Common action Spain-Morocco, held in Seville (Spain) from the 8th to the 10th of March;
- Seminar "Promoting youth entrepreneurship in the Mediterranean", organized by the Union for the Mediterranean in Barcelona on the 25th of September;
- General Assembly of the Euromed Permanent University Forum (EPUF), held in Barcelona on the 4th of November.

- International Conference 'MED Confederation' held in the Caixa Forum, Barcelona, on the 19th and 20th of December. The CCM participated in the 'Social Integration and Insertion in the labour market'.

4.2 Tools for visibility

Newsletter

Three numbers of the CCM newsletter were published and disseminated among more than 1200 contacts. The electronic version is

uploaded on the CCM website and disseminated also through the CCM Facebook page and the online publication site 'Issuu'.

Website (www.cruzroja.es/ccm).

In the Media:

- IFRC Migration Unit Newsletter n.4, article on the Movement meeting on the Humanitarian Situation in the Mediterranean;
- IFRC Youth and Volunteering News Flash (July/August), article on Atlantis IX;
- IFRC Youth Commission News Flash no.5

and 6 on CCM Youth Desk collaboration with the Youth Commission;

- RC/RC Climate Centre website on the 5th Mediterranean RC/RC Youth Photo Contest;
- On the Youth Workshop on the promotion of a culture of non-violence and peace: Ariffino.net online magazine (Morocco), Davaz Online Magazine (Bosnia and Herzegovina), Serbia Red Cross Newsletter, October 2013 Diari de Mallorca, 2nd and 7th of October.

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The Fundamental Principles of the International Red Cross and Red Crescent Movement

Humanity

The International Red Cross and Red Crescent Movement, born of a desire to bring assistance without discrimination to the wounded on the battlefield, endeavours, in its international and national capacity, to prevent and alleviate human suffering wherever it may be found. Its purpose is to protect life and health and to ensure respect for the human being. It promotes mutual understanding, friendship, cooperation and lasting peace amongst all peoples.

Impartiality

It makes no discrimination as to nationality, race, religious beliefs, class or political opinions. It endeavours to relieve the suffering of individuals, being guided solely by their needs, and to give priority to the most urgent cases of

distress.

Neutrality

In order to continue to enjoy the confidence of all, the Movement may not take sides in hostilities or engage at any time in controversies of a political, racial, religious or ideological nature.

Independence

The Movement is independent. The National Societies, while auxiliaries in the humanitarian services of their governments and subject to the laws of their respective countries, must always maintain their autonomy so that they may be able at all times to act in accordance with the principles of the Movement.

Voluntary service

It is a voluntary relief movement not prompted in any manner by desire for gain.

Unity

There can be only one Red Cross or one Red Crescent Society in any one country. It must be open to all. It must carry on its humanitarian work throughout its territory.

Universality

The International Red Cross and Red Crescent Movement, in which all Societies have equal status and share equal responsibilities and duties in helping each other, is worldwide.

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