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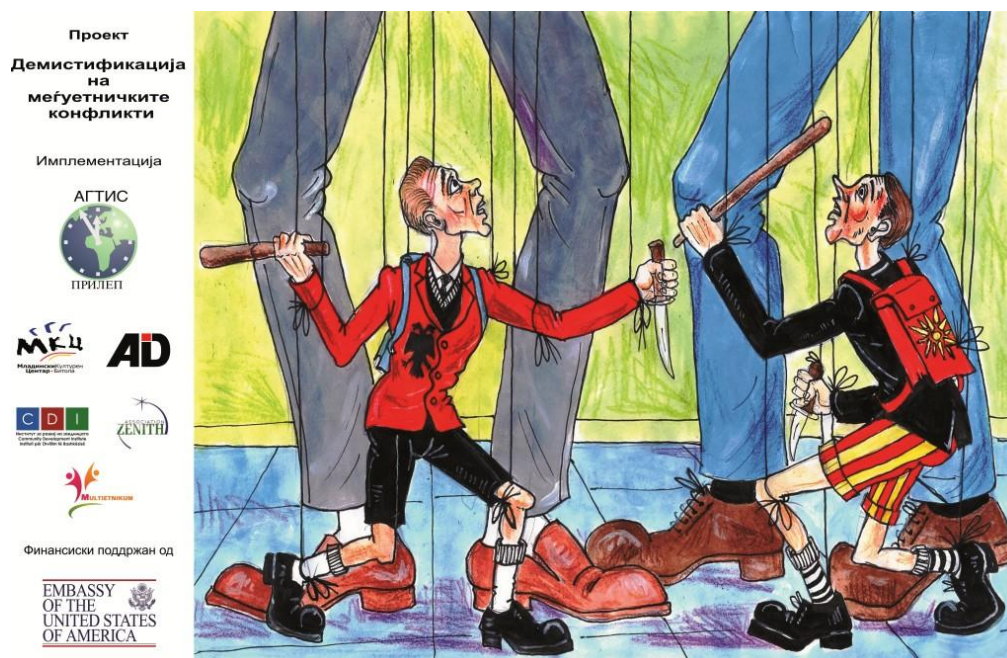
Association for Citizen Tolerance and Cooperation

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Projects:

- **Project:** "Demystifying the interethnic conflicts"



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Implementing organization: ACTAC

Project partners: YCC - Bitola, ADI - Gostivar, Zenith - Skopje, IRZ - Tetovo, Multietnicum - Dolneni

Time of realization: August 2016 - September 2017

Location of the project: Prilep, Dolneni, Skopje, Tetovo, Gostivar

Donor: US Embassy Macedonia

Framework of the project: Reduction of the tensions and conflicts between ethnic communities in Macedonia by building personal rather than collective identity among high school youth, and the change will be reflected by increased individuality and personal responsibility among students and the increase of the student's resistance toward manipulative political techniques.

General Objective: The project aims at reducing inter-ethnic and inter-confessional tensions and conflicts among high school youth in Macedonia and their substantial and sustained relaxation, through demystification of the general political climate and political manipulation, as well as through a new vision for peacekeeping as "our job" .

Results: The project should contribute to understanding and expanding the views of young people for their future, in which they will start as potential, independent and motivated individuals, ready for new challenges in their future career.



Visit of the Ambassador of The U.S. in Macedonia in the ACTAC's premises



The team of "Zevzekmanija" on the workshop for video shooting and editing



Rewarding of The Best Videos Performances



Press conference



TV Show - Project Evaluation

- **Project:** Pals TV - Strengthening the youth through Community Reporting and Peer learning

Partners in the project: ACTAC - Macedonia, INTRAS-Spain, CCN - Nepal, DEJAVATO - Indonesia and SODEJU-Guatemala).

Time of realization: November 2015 - July 2017

Location of the project: Macedonia, Spain, Nepal, Indonesia and Guatemala

Donor: European Commission

Project Frame: Pals TV focuses on building community capacities and encouraging innovation, entrepreneurship and capacity for change, by (stimulating) encouraging development and uncovering unused potential within youth communities. Through communication in mother tongue, cultural awareness and expression with the help of community reporting techniques, digital competence through the use of media and ICT, learning to learn, as well as social and civic competences through the peer learning methodology, the rise of the key competences of young people with limited opportunities will be achieved. In addition, community reporting will improve their external communication, involvement in their communities and cooperation with stakeholders.

General Objective: The project "Pals TV - Youth Strengthening through Community and Peer Learning" aims to train young people, has a goal to train young people, which in the future will be a sustainable youth community in the sphere of media work in the local community, and also it needs to provide a working model for the overall strengthening of the youth activism, grounded in the media work of the community, which will help them to better adapt to the learning and application of foreign languages, experience in working with modern video equipment and mounting of attachments for themes that are useful to society, gaining the skills to communicate with people from different environments and different background, skills which in the future will be of great role in employment, self-realization and building one's own personality.

Results: The knowledge gained from this project will help the involved people to improve their key learning skills how to make business planning, promoting their involvement in the labour market. In addition, community reporting is a powerful tool for involving people in their communities by increasing their active participation and social compromise. In addition, the needs of disadvantaged youth communities will shape their voice in appropriate media, exchange those experiences, and learn from other youth groups around the world, improving their social inclusion.

Encouraging improvements in the area of youth work and cooperation with stakeholders. Peer education and community reporting training develop the socio-professional profiles of young workers through informal methods, including media and IT skills.

Development of new and innovative methods and tools for working with youth, youth work curriculum, and training modules: Peer education, Community reporting and sustainable planning.



ACTAC in Nepal with the members from the Indonesian organization



With the officials involved in the project, Director, professors and the president of ACTAC

- **Project:** To see myself with your eyes



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Time of realization: December 2016 – July 2017

Partners in the project: High school „Gjorche Petrov“ - Prilep, High school „Rilindja“ - Dolneni

Location of the project: Municipalities of Prilep and Dolneni

Donor: Ecumenical Women's Initiative

Framework of the project: The basic problem targeted by this project is the minor involvement of young girls in decision-making processes at the local level (not only in the world of politics, the media, but also in territorial communities, schools, civil organizations, etc.), all of which pre-empatically provokes a declination in the gender values in the community.

General objective: The project aims to contribute to the greater involvement of young women in decision making processes at the local level, through increasing the public sensitivity of the local communities on gender issues, and raising the awareness for the specific women's human rights. This will be achieved through the education of young students from secondary schools which would directly work in order to achieve these goals, so they will become "community informers" for gender rights, facilitators and moderators for gender sensitive initiatives. They will be trained with the "Peer Learning Pals" method and "Community reporting", with which they can place the documents - reports on gender issues in public.

Aimed groups:

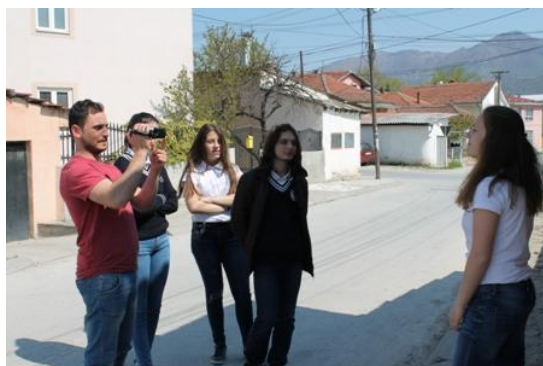
Vulnerable and disadvantaged young girls such as: young girls with socio-economic disadvantages, with mental and emotional problems as well as learning difficulties, found on the margins of society, as well as young girls from isolated and rural communities.

The project results:

Increased interest in gender sensitive issues in the public, increased awareness of the importance of women's rights and the consequences of minorisation of women in politics, increased number of opinion leaders and young community leaders, more women in politics, improving public awareness of the need for the debate on the gender component in politics and public policies.



Trainings for Community reporting, Storytelling



Recording video performances



Diplomas awarding to the young girls



- Project: Waiting for the New Dictator



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Time of realization: February 2017 - January 2018

Implementing organization: ACTAC

Location: National level

Donor: National Endowment for Democracy - NED

Project goal: The project: “Waiting for the new dictator” is a contribution to public institutional accountability and strengthening the operational elements of such accountability: institutional resistance to political manipulation, principle of professionalism and competence, independence, transparency and predictability, Rule of Law and institutional memory, for achieving their own constitutional and legal position, which will be achieved through public civic education and campaign for demystifying: the institutional passivity and criminal and /or illegal complicity (collusion), with whom will be reduced the level of civil tolerance toward the institutional destruction by politicians, especially their leaders.

Aimed groups: NGOs with democratic agenda and capacity, political parties, public persons and leaders of opinion, analysts, experts and institutional experts , political scientists, media and hosts of TV shows , institutions of the system, universities , Academy of Sciences and Arts.

The project results:

Increased transparency of the government, local self-governments and institutions, through reduced public attention and trust of nationalist, xenophobic and anti-neighborly campaigns and consequent deterrence from the reforms.

Increased public confidence and attention toward the constructive, pro-European and NATO forces and government endeavors, as well as toward the reforms that make the country closer to the EU and NATO

Reduced effect on public campaigns for victimization of Macedonia and influence of conspiracy theories

Reduced impact on campaigns for disrupting interethnic relations



Closed expert panel with public figures and prominent opinion leaders on a national level



Field campaign for distribution of a brochure: "Tricks in pre-election promises" (15 cities and 30 villages in Macedonia, TV press in the capital city Skopje)



Brochure "Tricks in pre-election promises"