Batumi Initiative on Green Economy (BIG-E) Actions by Cittadellarte-Pistoletto Foundation

Organization: Cittadellarte-Pistoletto Foundation

Title:

Rebirth Initiative: Civil Society Forums and Permanent Workshops on Arts and Social Change along the UN SDGs

Focus area: 9 Promote public participation and education for sustainable development

Description of the action: Bringing together socially engaged art practitioners, social entrepreneurs, activists, scientists, journalists, representatives of public institutions, teachers, and other agents of change coming from all possible backgrounds in a 3 days open technology style event aimed at initiating a year-long joint-workshop locally grounded and enacted by forum participants and other organizations. The Initiative was launched in Cuba in 2015, with a follow-up in Milan in 2016

Action's timeframe/milestones, as appropriate:

2017: launch of forum in Tirana (Albania), Canberra (Australia), and at least a 3rd country; conduct final workshop for the forums in Avana (Cuba) and Milan (italy);

2018: launch of at least 3 forums, carry-on yearly workshops in already reached countries, and organize final workshop for the the forums.

2019: launch of at least 3 forums, carry-on yearly workshops in already reached countries and organize final workshop for the forums

Type of action: information, education-based, capacity-building and voluntary instruments.

Economic sectors: due to the intersectorial and transversal nature of culture as an engine of change, rebirth fora and yearly workshops involve people from all sectors (a) economy-wide, (b) cities; and (c) sectors, including: agriculture, forestry and fishing; energy; mining; manufacturing; transport; water; waste; tourism; and housing, buildings and construction.

Reference instruments and sources, as appropriate: national and sectoral policies and strategies of the reviewed countries.

Expected co-benefits and impact of the outcome: main objective of rebirth fora and workshops is bringing together the many already existing good practices and achieve higher levels of common organization, in a word, realizing demopracy (democratic praxis). first outcome is enhancing and reinforcing existing projects. second and more far reaching is generating unprecedented cooperations and even new projects. territorial intelligence is yet to be achieved by our communities and we need tools and instruments to allow this to grow. also, we need to educate ourselves into cooperation, as we are raised under a non cooperative, hyper competitive model, we need an educational turn and fora and workshops involve all levels of education institutions.

SDGs target(s) that the action may contribute to implement: SDG 4, 8, 9, 13, 16 and 17.

Implementation of Environmental Performance Review (EPR) Recommendations, as appropriate:---

Objectively verifiable indicators, as appropriate: each year-long workshop will publish a journal and organize a final event (most likely to relaunch the workshop for one more year). First indicators will be the number and quality of realised projects (new and already existing); the number of associates into the workshop; the number of audience reached.

Partners: United Nation organizations, local ministries and governments

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