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The Development and the Implementation of the Projects

The program was implemented according to the Peace Institute's grant proposal for 2006, which followed Peace Institute's Strategy 2005-2007 and included the Peace Institute's programs in the fields of Politics, Human Rights, Media, Gender, Cultural Politics, East/East: Partnership Beyond Borders, secondary dissemination, and administration.

The Peace Institute achieved very visible results in various areas of engagement, including some new areas of policy initiative such as: establishing new relationships with governmental, academic or non-governmental organizations in Slovenia, European Union and elsewhere; development of »civil dialogue« between the government and the NGO sector according to EU standards and the idea of an open civil society, together with strengthening the capacities and abilities of NGO's associations and co-ordinations in that sector; preparation of anti-discrimination projects; increased attention to the media community (policy work on media legislation, public accountability, media ownership); regional and trans-regional cooperation and exchange promoted through East/East: Partnership Beyond Borders program, and other programs and projects.

The institute achieved great media visibility and public attention in a novel, more restricted and, from our point of view, unfriendly political and media setting in Slovenia. We successfully applied for substantial non-OSI funds, especially EU ones. Moreover, PI is successful with fund-raising from a number of special calls and funds of foreign governments and their embassies in Slovenia. We also applied for several funds in Slovenia, where we successfully obtained some local authority's funds and subsidies from the governmental funds. Peace Institute has realized the anticipated budget structure for 2006, regarding OSI and other funding, at the ration of 42% OSI and 58% other funding.

We successfully accomplished our work priorities established for 2006 in our 2005-2007 Strategy, including the following areas:

- Forms of participation and NGO sector development - with our activities in the Center of NGO's of Slovenia, the Legal Information Center, and in other co-ordinating institutions or centers for promotion of NGOs as public and policy partners, especially in co-operation at the EU level, and in EU NGOs networks (anti-racism, third world countries development and NGOs co-operation, EuroMed Alf network of networks, etc.);

- EU enlargement - with our activities in accession processes in the Western Balkans (as in the border monitoring project) and in the case of Turkey and Ukraine (as in PASOS project);
- Exclusions and human rights - with research and promotion of unrecognized ethnic minorities (including co-operation with their NGOs co-ordination), gay and lesbian rights (with a seminal book on this topic by Roman Kuhar), and the Roma community;
- Extension and concentration of our research and other activities in »Politics« - focusing on issues such as chances for political thinking after 1989, September 11, 2001 and the »war on terror« (H. Arendt framework), the EU representative system, the state of emergency and other new and critical concepts;
- Policy education of the future young leaders (students, NGO activists, minorities, partners), together with continuing and growing activities of the Workers-Punk University, and with REKOS (conflict resolution workshop), as well as education concerning discrimination sensitivity for judges and other legal stakeholders;
- Continuation of gender policy research - especially with gender mainstreaming and the questions of translation of theoretical concepts into policy practice, as well as, with advocacy studies and activities, including intimate citizenship, women in transition countries, system of home assistance, gendered exploitation, and trafficking;
- Media and information society - our previous activities in this field had to expand substantially because of the entirely new media legislation, to becoming the most visible expert in public discussion and lobbying process;
- Finalizing the first phase of the study of managerial discourse (Drucker), to build theoretical and practical position capable of critical understanding and analysis of the managerial revolution and its theoretical and political consequences on local and global scale;
- Further development and new studies in cultural politics - considering the economic dimension, alternative cultural center's strategies (important from the point of view of »Metelkova City« complex, and the new »Rog« initiative), and Ljubljana municipality strategy of cultural politics as politics of sustainable development;
- Working with partners from the EU countries, the Western Balkans, and partners in broader neighborhood region (with the Peace Institute as the national co-coordinator of Mediterranean ALF network), and post-Soviet republics in Euro-Asian region;
- Establishing a strong connection between policy, research and educational component of the program and developing new forms of incorporating these three components.

During this six month period, PI staff was involved in substantial policy research and policy implementation and is, aside from managing projects and programs, and producing papers that are being published and presented by the PI, publishing also elsewhere (including international journals). PI staff is continually involved in post-graduate studies (Masters and PhD's) and other forms of education to obtain new necessary skills (such as librarianship and documentation, computer management, etc.).

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The Peace Institute's programs and projects as reported by responsible persons:

I. POLITICS

1. Politics and power in times of terror: thinking with Hannah Arendt

(Vlasta Jalušič)

The 2006 working phases of the project were dedicated to three components:

1. To the continuation of the research on violence, evil and genocide and the completion of the *Between Past and Future* book. Furthermore, the interpretative essay on Political thinking in post-totalitarian times was completed, as well as the paper for the seminar. The comparison between the Yugoslav and the Rwandan case has begun (young researcher Jasminka Dedić) with a strong emphasis on the gender component in the research approach.

2. To the organization of an international seminar with a group of well established commentators of Arendt's work. During the seminar, which took place from June 1-3, 2006, we discussed the possibilities of political thinking about violence, politics, identity in the post-totalitarian situation, after the break of tradition and after 1989, September 11, 2001 and the »war on terror«. Several reputable scholars from Europe and USA (Omer Bartov, Dasa Duhacek, Sebastian Hefti, Zarko Puhovski, Obrad Savic, Etienne Tassin, Joan Cocks, Joanna Vecchirelli Scott, Shiraz Dossa, Wolfgang Heuer, Antonia Gruenberg) participated in the debates about nation-state, sovereignty, human rights and minorities, racism, evil and banality after 11th September, the building of the future and erasing the past, globalization and multiculturalism in the age of ethnic cleansing and genocide, political acting and thinking when facing the anti-political outcomes. Contributions to the conference will be published. The seminar was co-organized with the East East program (also chapter 6, project 1.4)

3. To the dissemination of the project results and the preparation of the last phase, including a study visit to Rwanda. Taken together, several publications were prepared and results were presented at quite a few international meetings and conferences, organized around the issues of Arendt's theory, nation state, violence and transitional justice, including conferences in Ljubljana, Osnabrueck, and Paris.

2. Drucker and Post socialism

(Tonči Kuzmanić)

The project was in its second, concluding stage. The team, which consisted of 10 researchers with different backgrounds, finalized their writings which will be published in a book in 2007. All contributions discuss analytical and other work published by P. F. Drucker, in detail, problems of work, knowledge complex, religious aspects of thinking, mission connected to J. P. Taylor thoughts, and other elements. At this time, the results are in the process of reviewing and editing.

3. Qinq - Quality in Gender + Equality Policies

(Vlasta Jalušič)

The main aim of this collaborative research, policy and training oriented project, is to conceptualize the relationships between different inequalities: especially between gender, race/ethnicity, religion, class and sexuality, and to appraise the content and quality of gender+ equality policies in the EU's multicultural context. It involves 10 European partners, including CEU policy research centre, IWM, Ženska infoteka Zagreb, University of Lancaster, University of Nijmegen, University of Madrid, and others. The project aims at defining inclusive standards for gender and other equality policies expertise. In the field of citizenship, the project shall develop an institutional approach to practices of citizenship, conceptualize and map out the interfaces between civil society and policy making participatory forms of gender and diversity mainstreaming by accentuating voice and civil society interfaces. It will also assess the standing and voice of civil society in gender + equality policies and conceptualize and outline civil society texts on gender + equality. Within the multicultural EU context, the project aims at explaining the deficiencies, deviations and inconsistencies in the EU and Member State's gender + equality policies and at developing a typology of gender regimes in Europe.

The project started in October 2006 and the first months of work concluded with a kick off meeting, the preparation of the empirical phase of the LARG component of the project (the policy research phase), where the PI is the activity leader together with the CEU policy research centre. The starting phase included preparing the state of the arts guidelines, issuing statements, and selecting the countries' experts - as the PI's narrower responsibility are Estonia, Croatia, Slovakia, the Czech Republic and Slovenia.

II. HUMAN RIGHTS AND MINORITIES

1. Intimate Citizenship

(Roman Kuhar)

The project has been completed successfully. A CD-rom "Diversity makes us richer: not poorer" was published. It was featured as a supplement to the Slovenian version of the book "The Unbearable Comfort of Privacy: Everyday Life of Gays and Lesbians" and to GLBT magazine Oznanila. It was sent out to the majority of Slovenian high schools. We also set up a special Internet site (www.mirovni-institut.si/razlicnost). Owing to the additional financial means, obtained from the EU campaign "For diversity. Against Discrimination", the internet site is also available in English. The CD-rom has been used at many workshops (for example, it was presented at the conference "Let's face the discrimination", organized by the Slovenian human rights ombudsman) and also as a pedagogical tool for discussing human rights, discrimination and sexual orientation in schools. The feedback from schools is extremely positive. Here is one such example from a high school teacher: "I used your CD-rom in class. The fact that the CD-rom was well received in our school, where being called "queer" is still the worst insult you can get and majority of pupils automatically condemn homosexuals, is a great success. The films on the CD-rom illustrate very well what it means not to be understood and not to be accepted by the society, family, and your close friends. This is the part of the story they usually don't see and are not aware of."

The project also received a broad media attention: 8 newspaper articles, 10 radio interviews or statements, 4 television interviews or statements. Some organizations (DIH, Legebitra, Amnesty International) expressed their willingness to publish the English version of the CD-rom and prepare a textbook for teachers, on how to talk about homosexuality in schools, as a supplement to the Slovenian version of the CD-rom. The English version of the CD-rom is nearly finished and will be published in March 2007.

2. The intolerance monitor report

(Roman Kuhar)

The fifth volume of the report is being published. The editorial board decided that the question of church and state separation and intolerance will be the cover topic of the

volume, which includes 15 texts. The report was scheduled to be out by the end of 2006. However, due to the eviction of the Roma family from Ambrus at the end of 2006, the publishing of the report was delayed in order to include a legal and sociological analysis of these events in the report. The intolerance monitor report will be publicly presented at the end of January 2007. The presentation will be accompanied by a round table discussion concerning the church and state separation.

3. REKOS (Conflict Resolution in Communities) - Peer Violence: a Problem in Ljubljana?

(Mojca Sušnik)

The project aimed at encouraging the discussions among young scholars about violence through interactive workshops, organized as a learning community, where everyone has an opportunity to express his or her own experiences and ideas on one the hand, and where communication skills are taken care of and developed further, on the other. With the creation of neutrality, the space for plural and open dialogue is put forward. Participants heard and learned a lot about the conflict as an event with positive potential for the development of the mutual relationships and for changing broader society. Non-violent conflict was put forward and the focus was on the methods and techniques of non-violent conflict resolution.

There were three public events in 2006 (two-day workshop in June and two one-day workshops in October and November). In the two-day workshop the emphasis was on conflict-related general questions, while at the one-day workshops we were more focused on the specific content of actual conflicts.

4. Development and Implementation of a Non-Discrimination Pre-Service and In-Service Training Program for Judges and Prosecutors on the Basis of Human Rights Education

(Neža Kogovšek)

The second year of the project, which started in June 2004, was concluded in November 2006. The main activities carried out in 2006 were: organizing two anti-discrimination seminars for in-service and pre-service judges and prosecutors; setting up an anti-discrimination information platform; and advocating for sustainability of anti-

discrimination training in the judiciary, which included co-organization of a conference in Graz.

The seminars, which took place on May 26, 2006 and October 11, 2006 in hotel Domina in Ljubljana, were attended by a total of eighty participants. Participants were offered four interactive lectures and one workshop on different aspects on anti-discrimination laws and policies. The feedback of the participants was extremely positive and confirmed the necessity of this type of trainings in Slovenia. The information platform on anti-discrimination in Slovenia in Slovenian language was set up at <http://www.etc-graz.at/cms/index.php?id=102>. The platform contains information on discrimination in Slovenia, laws and policies, articles and studies, case law, experts and institutions dealing with discrimination. Its purpose is to offer information to both victims and legal professionals, concerned with the ways how to tackle discrimination. Further, within the project efforts have been undertaken to include the topic of anti-discrimination on the agenda of the trainings for the judiciary in order to provide permanent trainings in this field. The conference, which took place on 19-20 October, 2006, was a part of these endeavors since it hosted heads of judicial academies of all four partner countries (Austria, Hungary, Slovakia, and Slovenia). However, given that in Slovenia the system of judicial training is under reform and that the body, which will hold the responsibility for judicial trainings, has not yet been established, the outcome of this activity remains uncertain.

5. AENEAS - Protection of Asylum Seekers in the Republic of Croatia and the Region (Neža Kogovšek)

Since December 28, 2005 the Peace Institute has been a partner to the Aeneas project, coordinated by the Croatian Law Centre from Zagreb, Croatia. The role of the Peace Institute in the project is to use the experience that Slovenian NGOs gained while setting up a border monitoring mechanism in Slovenia and share it with the NGOs in other partner countries (Croatia, Bosnia and Herzegovina, and Serbia). The purpose of border monitoring mechanism is to monitor the respect of migrants' and asylum seekers' rights and their access to asylum procedure at the initial stages of the procedure, when they are most vulnerable (at police stations, pre-reception area and the detention centre for foreigners). The aim of the project is to work towards its goal on two levels; first, to assess the institutional capacity for establishing such a mechanism and propose solutions in the form of recommendations, and second, to raise awareness of the civil society on the importance

of border monitoring through training. The project began with the preparation of a report of the implementation of border monitoring activities in Slovenia. On the basis of this report questionnaires were drafted for the partner NGOs to examine both the situation and the existing capacity for establishing similar border monitoring mechanisms in their territories. The questionnaires were filled out by the project partners and, on the basis of the answers, the country reports on the capacity for establishing a border monitoring mechanism have been prepared. The reports will serve as a foundation to prepare a border monitoring proposal with recommendations concerning the steps to be taken to enable the establishment of such mechanisms in the three countries. Simultaneously, we have been preparing the border monitoring manual (seventy pages), which was used at the Train of Trainers seminar in Ljubljana on November 9-11, 2006. The seminar was attended by eighteen trainers (six from each country), who will carry out border monitoring of the national seminars in their countries in 2007. In Slovenia, the project is carried out by the Peace Institute and the Legal Information Center for NGOs (PIC).

6. Participation in a Coordination of NGOs in the Field of Asylum (Neža Kogovšek)

Throughout the year we monitored (jointly with other NGOs) the situation of migrants and asylum seekers in the Asylum Home and in the Center for Aliens, and reacted (in the media or by sending letters of protest to the Minister of the Interior) to situations that were in our view problematic, illegal or arbitrary. Throughout the year the Peace Institute participated at various meetings with the Ministry of the Interior and at the regular coordination meetings attended by NGOs, UNHCR and the Ministry, the aim of which is to resolve current problems and issues. The Peace Institute cooperated in drafting amendments to the proposed changes of both the Asylum Act and the Aliens Act. In the beginning of 2006, the proposed changes of the Asylum Act were discussed in the parliamentary Committee for Internal Policy where the Peace Institute, jointly with other NGOs, presented its position to the changes proposed. We participated in meetings with most of the parliamentary parties in order to present our views on the changes, which we found extremely problematic in the view of the Geneva Convention and the existing human rights standards. We also had several appearances in the media in order to raise awareness about asylum (appearance in daily national news “Odmevi”, opinion in daily “Dnevnik”, articles in law journal “Pravna Praksa”, etc.). In February 2006 we submitted comments to the proposed changes of the Aliens Act to the Ministry of the Interior because we assessed

several provisions as problematic in terms of the respect of the rights of unaccompanied minors and victims of human trafficking. We also lobbied for the improvement of the position of NGOs in the field of asylum by advocating against extremely strict terms and conditions of the call for proposals issued by the Ministry of the Interior.

7. Ratification of the Optional protocol to the UN Convention against Torture and Other Cruel, Inhuman and Degrading Treatment or Punishment

(Neža Kogovšek)

In the first half of 2006, the Peace Institute cooperated with Amnesty International Slovenia and some other NGOs in the process of ratification of the Optional Protocol to the UN Convention against Torture, which was carried out by the Ministry of Justice and the Ministry of Foreign Affairs. The Protocol, ratified on 29 September 2006, requires the state's parties to monitor systematically all facilities in its territory where persons' right to move is limited (detention centers, prisons, centers for aliens, asylum home, psychiatric hospitals, etc.). The monitoring activities in Slovenia will continue to be carried out by the Ombudsman's Office. With the ratification of the Protocol, the NGOs received an opportunity to participate in monitoring missions together with the representatives of the Ombudsman's Office.

8. National Focal Point of the European Monitoring Centre on Racism and Xenophobia (EUMC)

(Tomaž Trplan, since September Saša Panić)

In 2006, the National Focal Point (NFP) of the EUMC (<http://www.eumc.europa.eu/>) continued with its work on the project (RAXEN7) from the previous phase (RAXEN6). From February until December 31, 2006 we have submitted the following papers and data to the European Monitoring Centre on Racism and Xenophobia: six bulletins, providing snapshots on current issues regarding racism and xenophobia in Slovenia, updated data for two databases (RAXEN Database and Country Info sheets), a special study ("Combating ethnic and racial discrimination and promoting equality: Trends and developments 2000 - 2005"), an annual report ("National Data Collection Report 2006") and two shorter reports (Rapid Response), dealing with case law affecting racial discrimination, and examples of good practice related to the EU Racial Equality Directive and the integration of immigrant and

minority groups into Slovenian society. In January 2007, the NFP will provide the EUMC with an Update of the National Data Collection Report 2006.

Work on the project was performed as planned and all deliverables received positive evaluation by the EUMC evaluators. In 2006, two publications, including the National Annual Report 2005 and a special study on the situation of Roma in public education in Slovenia, have been made available on the page of the project on <http://www.mirovni-institut.si/>.

***9. Advocacy for Evicted Roma Family from Ambrus
(Brankica Petković, Neža Kogovšek, Jasminka Dedić, Roman Kuhar)***

The Peace Institute has been intensively engaged in the public debate about the Roma eviction case in Slovenia (on October 29, a Roma family Strojjan of more than 30 members was removed from their home by the police under the pressure of the local Slovenian population). The activities were undertaken on the national and international level. On the international level Jasminka Dedić cooperated with the European Roma Rights Centre and Amnesty International by sending joint public letters to the Prime Minister. In order to provide independent background information, the Peace Institute was one of the three non-governmental organizations, who were invited to meet with the Council of Europe Commissioner for Human Rights Mr. Thomas Hammarberg, who visited Slovenia on November 15-16. Further, Mr. John c.M. Groffen, Ambassador of the Netherlands in Slovenia, initiated his visit to the Peace Institute and the meeting with Brankica Petkovic on the Roma situation in Slovenia on November 9.

On the national level our work consisted of attempts to influence respective state bodies and policy makers, media appearances, attending roundtables, and publishing. Throughout the month after the eviction, the Peace Institute experts were being invited by the media to provide expertise, interviews and critical statements (national radio, national press agency, national television, commercial TV station POP TV (show “Trenja” and “24 hours”), daily newspapers Dnevnik and Večer, etc.). On November 10, Brankica Petković attended the Session of the Commission for Petitions, Human Rights and Equal Opportunities of the National Assembly dedicated to the eviction of the Roma family. The Peace Institute sent a letter to the Prosecutors' Office in Ljubljana urging them to prosecute the cases of hate speech and discrimination against Roma in accordance with the Penal Code. A petition for the Advocate of the Principle of Equality, the Slovenian

equality body established pursuant to the Council Directive 2000/43/EC (Race Directive), was under preparation at the end of 2006.

We submitted an official complaint to the national television because of the report in the prime time news on October 24, showing protests of the residents of Ambrus against Roma, where the journalist used offending language for Roma but without providing statements of any Roma in the report. The Peace Institute also sent a letter of protest because of the xenophobic content of the TV show "Piramida" to the chief editor and director of the national television TV Slovenija, and published a press release in which it condemned the demolition of the housing of Roma family. Neža Kogovšek wrote a legal opinion and an open editorial for the Law Journal "Pravna Praksa" and, jointly with Jasminka Dedić, wrote an article critically analyzing the eviction for the Intolerance Monitor No. 05 of the Peace Institute. The Peace Institute Media Watch journal reflected the media reporting on the Roma eviction. Brankica Petković participated in the round table on Roma and Erased organized by activists from Metelkova Mesto, who later organized a peaceful street protest against the eviction of Roma. Neža Kogovšek attended a roundtable in Semič, organized by Roma Association "Rom Černomelj", in order to discuss the eviction and the proposed Act on Roma Community. Roman Kuhar cooperated in the Council of the Government of the Republic of Slovenia for the Implementation of the Principle of Equal Treatment, where the eviction was also intensively discussed.

10. Anti-Discrimination and Diversity Training

(Neža Kogovšek)

The project, carried out in cooperation with the Human European Consultancy from the Netherlands, formally started at the end of 2006; however, most of the activities will be carried out in 2007 and 2008. The project involves preparation for and organization of three anti-discrimination and diversity seminars and in content represents a continuation of the project "Mapping capacity of Civil Society dealing with Anti-discrimination", completed in 2005. Accordingly, the Peace Institute will organize one follow up seminar for the representatives of NGOs who attended a seminar in 2005, one "beginners" seminar for representatives of trade unions and those NGOs who have not attended the first seminar, and a diversity management seminar for companies, organized in cooperation with employers' organizations.

11. CRP Research project: *discrimination*
(Roman Kuhar)

The two-year research project on discrimination (the effects of discrimination on social, political and cultural inclusion/exclusion, policy suggestions and anti-discrimination measures) was approved by the Ministry of Science. The Faculty of Social Sciences is our partner in the project. The results of the call for research project came out in late 2006; therefore, the majority of activities are planned for 2007 and 2008.

III. MEDIA

1. *Media and Minorities/Multiculturalism and the Media*
(Brankica Petković)

With the support of the British embassy in Ljubljana, we have organized number of activities to address the issue of prospects of multicultural societies in Europe and the role of the media. Two media activists from Slovenia visited media NGOs in the UK, engaged in empowerment of minority communities in the media field. Two journalists-activists from the Bosnian and the Roma community media in Slovenia visited two community radio stations in London, and two community media activists from London visited minority and community media in Slovenia. Renowned professor and a member of the House of Lords, Bhikhu Parekh, visited Slovenia and delivered a public lecture on the prospects of multicultural societies and the role of the media. Furthermore, the head of the media education department of the British Film Institute, Cary Bazalgette, delivered a lecture in Ljubljana on media literacy and media education for children in multicultural society. Tina Cigler, a human rights activist from Novo Mesto, went on a study visit to several cities in the UK to learn how multicultural societies are managed on the local level, and Brankica Petkovic went on a study visit to a number of governmental, media and non-governmental organizations in London to learn about the implementation of diversity policies in the media sector in the UK. Finally, within the scope of the project on multicultural societies and the role of the media, a round table was organized in Novo Mesto in cooperation with the local association for voluntary work, to discuss the issues of multiculturalism through

the Roma situation in that region of Slovenia. Representatives of local police, administration and a non-governmental organization from the UK cities participated in a round table together with representatives of the city authorities and the Roma community in Novo Mesto. Separate meetings/workshops in Novo Mesto police station and in the Roma village were organized to exchange experiences between British and Slovenian officials and activists. The Roma situation was discussed also at the meeting between the British ambassador, the organizers and the Major of Novo Mesto, which was organized as a side event.

In cooperation with the European network for media and minorities On-line/More Colour in the Media, we have, for the second time, participated in the European Week of Media and Minorities by organizing a round table on Islam and the media on March 21 (the international day against racism).

We have continued with advocacy activities for the Roma community through monitoring and issuing public reports and alerts with regard to the delayed launch of radio and TV broadcasts for the Roma community within public service broadcasting RTV Slovenija. Together with the leader of the Roma community in Slovenia, we sent a letter to the Director General of RTV Slovenija and to the President of the Programming Council of RTV Slovenija requesting explanations for the delayed introduction of the programming for Roma community and urging for adequate measures to provide the programming in accordance with the regulation. Later, on behalf of an invitation from the training center of RTV Slovenija, we have provided our expertise, advices and contacts to help them to recruit and train journalists from the Roma community in Slovenia.

Within the spring issue of our Media Watch journal, we have dedicated a whole section to the issue of multiculturalism, minorities and the media, including several articles which refer to the prophet Mohamed cartoons and including articles written by minority authors from Slovenia.

Within the annual conference of the media association for South East Europe SEEMO (affiliate to the International Press Institute) in Vienna we have participated in the panel about media and minorities in South East Europe, and have contributed an article which is published in the comprehensive SEEMO book on that issue.

With the paper about minorities and the media in Europe we have participated at the conference of European writers and journalists Transeuropaexpress, organized in Rome with the support of the Italian representative office in the European Union. The papers from the conference are published in the book by a renowned Italian publisher under the title Europe and the Public Opinion Trial.

With lectures on media and minorities in Slovenia we have participated in the seminars organized by the Human Rights Ombudsman in Slovenia for journalists, public officials and activists to raise awareness and encourage measures to combat discrimination.

On an invitation by the biggest publishing house we have provided a chapter on human rights in multicultural societies for a book *Skin color*, a collection of stories by writers from all over the world aiming at young readers.

Our 2006 project *Media for Citizens*, which has been supported by the European Commission, included monitoring and advocacy activities related to the representation of minorities in the media in Slovenia.

2. Media Watch/Media for Citizens

(Brankica Petković)

Within the *Media Watch* program we have produced and presented a number of comments in the parliament; we have made suggestions and alternative solutions to the draft media law, mainly focusing on the issues of media pluralism and state subsidies, the right of reply, protection of minors, and access to information.

At the same time, we have realized several monitoring activities, including monitoring of the implementation of the controversial law on public service broadcasting RTV Slovenia which was adopted in 2005. We have launched two monitoring reports - in May and November 2006 - which gained significant public attention and have been quoted also in a parliamentary debate by both the ruling parties and the opposition.

Three other monitoring activities are related to the project *Media for Citizens*, a comprehensive monitoring and advocacy project co-financed by the European Commission. The 12-month project included monitoring of national and local media reports on minorities (Roma, Muslims and homosexuals), monitoring of main news editions of public service television and main commercial television, and monitoring of media ownership and its impact on media independence in Slovenia. Monitoring reports within the project *Media for Citizens* were published in a bilingual (Slovenian-English) book in the *Media Watch* book series and at the web site which was developed within the project. The reports have been thoroughly presented and discussed one by one at a whole day round table in October 2006, where most relevant speakers from the state bodies, the media community and the citizens groups participated. The event was extensively reported by the media. In December 2006 we published a handbook *Media for Citizens* aimed at media activists. It

was followed by a whole day seminar for human rights activists, activists from minority communities and movements for world social justice developed to empower them for media activism and active participation in media society. Our project partners from the UK and the Netherlands have evaluated the Media for Citizens project as an excellent combination of media research, advocacy and empowerment activities which contribute to efforts of most relevant European and global initiatives in the field of media pluralism and diversity. The project has also been praised by the leaders of the Free Press and Media Reform movement in the US, whom we consulted during the project implementation.

In 2006 we have published and widely distributed two issues of our regular Media Watch journal which were mostly dedicated to the changes of media legislation, politically motivated takeovers in the media industry, and the situation with media pluralism and distribution of state subsidies in the media sector. At the beginning of the year we have organized round table discussions and exhibitions of relevant material in Ljubljana, Maribor and Koper on our previous Media Watch book by Mitja Velikonja "Eurosis-A Critique of New Eurocentrism" which was published at the end of 2005. The study which has analyzed Slovenian campaigns during EU accession period was praised in several scientific journals in 2006. At the same time it is being translated in Serbian language, where the study will be published in a prominent book series.

In cooperation with the OSI EUMAP program we have published Slovenian translation of the EUMAP monitoring report Television Across Europe, and have organized a round table about the monitoring results. Based on the initiative from the Council of Europe we have responded to its questionnaire about implementation in Slovenia of the COE recommendation with regard to independence of public service broadcasting.

3. Media Ownership **(Brankica Petković)**

We have continued monitoring media ownership and its impact on media independence in Slovenia, updating our data base and developing case studies with regard to the politically motivated takeovers in the media industry in the recent period. The monitoring is developed with the project Media for Citizens, co-financed by the European Commission. Within the first issue of our Media Watch journal in 2006 we have reflected the media ownership situation and its impact on media independence in Slovenia, exposing to public attention the case of political instrumentalization of media ownership in the main daily Delo.

In April, we have participated at the annual conference of the European Federation of Journalists at Bled, Slovenia, raising issues of media ownership and independence, and a need for European and global campaigning.

Based on an invitation from the Council of Europe we have contributed a list of possible researchers and organizations in Slovenia relevant for eventual establishment of the media ownership monitoring agency by the Council of Europe.

On the initiative from the OSI in Mongolia we have provided suggestions to media researchers and activists concerning the ways to address the issue of media ownership concentration in that country. At the same time, on the initiative from the OSI Kazakhstan, together with the East East Program, we have developed a project for a study visit of Kazak experts to Slovenia to learn about policy research, monitoring and advocacy strategies, and public awareness campaigns regarding media ownership.

In October 2006, we have participated in the regional meeting of journalists and media experts from South East and Central Europe organized by SECI, an intergovernmental organization with headquarter in Trieste, Italy. Being chair of a panel on media ownership in the region we have confronted arguments with representatives of the media publishers, including WAZ as the most controversial media owner in SEE.

We have successfully developed two project proposals related to media ownership issues in Slovenia and South East Europe which will be implemented in 2007: on political clientelism in the media sector in South East Europe, and on the role of the state in the media sector in Slovenia.

4. International Cooperation **(Brankica Petković)**

We have continued with active involvement in the South East European Network for Professionalisation of the Media (SEENPM); by participating at the founding conference in Sofia for its researcher's network, at the conference in Tirana on digital television, at the workshop on internet journalism ethics in Sarajevo, and at the workshop on press councils in Opatija. We have contributed to the preparation of documents and decisions for strategic shift of the SEENPM aimed at self-sustainability after 2007. In December, we participated at the founding conference of a new SEENPM, established by members from 11 SEE countries and registered as a legal entity in Tirana, Albania.

We have continued cooperation within the European Network On-line/More Colours in the Media through which we have submitted a proposal on e-literacy and media literacy in multicultural societies to the European Commission.

Within the project Media for Citizens we have developed cooperation with two partners - Mira Media from Utrecht and Campaign for Press and Broadcasting Freedom from London. We have also continued our regular cooperation with the Guardian Foundation and the Alliance of Independent Press Councils in Europe.

IV. GENDER

1. System of Households Services - SIPA

(Majda Hrženjak)

The aim of SIPA DP is to lay the expert groundwork for professionalization, standardization, regulation, and subsidization of the area of paid domestic work which, according to the project conceptualization, would achieve a fairer distribution of costs of reproductive work within societies, and bring about new jobs with good quality working conditions for household workers, along with their social inclusion instead of their social invisibility. SIPA is mainly funded by program EQUAL of the European Social Structural Fund (85%; 15% by the Ministry of Labour, Family and Social Affairs).

In January 2006 we concluded empirical research in two target groups: in households with small children and with long-term unemployed women with low educational level. The results and the objectives of SIPA have been presented and debated among professionals (Advisory Board) and in media. As a part of our transnational activities, we held an international conference Social Economy: Problems, Challenges, Opportunities in February. In March we started to set up a 6 months pilot study which was evaluated in November. In the pilot study we organized domestic services in 30 households with small children in Ljubljana and 5 unemployed women got a regular job for six months. On the basis of the evaluation of the pilot study, we defined practical recommendations concerning how paid domestic work could be organized as a regular employment relationship in order to make it accessible among different social groups and in order to provide domestic workers with quality working conditions and social inclusion. A book on the issue of contemporary domestic work has been written as one of the outcomes of the project and will be published in the first half of 2007. Generally speaking, the project meets the deadlines, activities and costs that were established in the project proposal and, furthermore, has some prospect for further funding by the European Social Fund 2007-2013.

2. FOCUS - Fostering Caring masculinities **(Majda Hrženjak)**

The project Fostering Caring Masculinities (FOCUS) aims to examine and improve men's opportunities for balancing work and private/family life in order to encourage the preparedness of men to take over caring tasks. To reach this goal the project focuses on companies' framework conditions to perceive and include men as actors and target groups in equality policies. FOCUS is a project involving five countries: Germany, Iceland, Norway, Slovenia and Spain. The project is funded through EU's Community Action programme to promote Gender equality between men and women. FOCUS is connected to one of the priority themes of the program, "the role of men in the promotion of gender equality, in particular, the role of men and fathers in the reconciliation of work and private life". The project was initiated by the Norwegian Ministry for Children and Family Affairs who also co-funds the project.

As planned in the project activities in 2006, we carried out two case studies in public and private enterprise on how the organizational culture enables employed men to undertake caring activities. Besides, we conducted a legislation and statistics survey about Slovenian employment, family and equal opportunities policies, and completed a national report which was presented in October at the international conference in Girona, Spain. At the end of the year the international project team worked jointly on outlining the guidelines for the enterprise managers on how workplace can contribute to fostering caring masculinities. The guidelines, national reports, comparative report and conference report will be distributed in the beginning of the 2007. Thus, the established plans of the project proposal were met. In addition, we conducted an on-line survey among the entire male population in two enterprises in cooperation with, and with symbolic funding of the Office for Equal Opportunities.

3. Gender Meets Reality: Exchange of Experiences, Methods and Strategies for Gender Mainstreaming and Gender Trainings in Different Policy Fields (RealGem) **(Majda Hrženjak)**

The learning partnership RealGem is about identification of specific approaches to Gender Mainstreaming related to the respective target groups and policy fields (formal and informal education, social work, consultancy of women and men, interculturalism, active citizenship, sustainability, etc.), the exchange of gender sensitizing training methods, and the discussion of the aspect of "gender" in sensitizing methods.

In the beginning of March the workshop of partners took place in Graz. In June the Peace Institute hosted the network. At this occasion (June, 14 - 17) the public Forum on the “Hot issues in gender equality politics” and the East East conference “East Meets West” were organized in Ljubljana (also chapter 6, project 1.5). The project ended in September 2006; however, the cooperation of network partners is continuing within the framework of other joint projects (Focus, GemTrex, Peerthink). Based on the knowledge and references acquired in the Realgem network, we succeeded with the project proposal on gender-sensitizing methods to the national Office for Equal Opportunities.

4. Project FeMiPol, Integration of Female Immigrants in Labour Market and Society: Policy Assessment and Policy Recommendations
(Mojca Pajnik)

The project explores and analyses the impact of integration policies, at both national and EU levels, on the position of migrant women within EU countries in the last decade. Its aim is to formulate recommendations for an appropriate policy fostering migrant women integration and producing greater social cohesion. The focus will be on social integration processes, understood as participation, access and belonging. A central assumption is that integration policies should attend to the agency of the persons involved. The analysis of integration processes therefore focuses not only on barriers for social integration and on their removal, but also on the migration strategies and life plans of the female migrants. The project employs a four stage analysis: first, analyzing the policies affecting the integration of female migrants, second, analyzing migration flows and mapping the processes of dispersion of female migrants, as well as analyzing the demand for the labour of female migrants, third, analyzing integration processes in relation to female migrants, and fourth, analyzing the processes related to the implementation of social policies.

By the end of 2006, the first half of the project was realized. The team produced a finalized version of the workpackage on mapping of policies and policy analysis (analyzing the effect of policies on immigrants, such as social policies for unemployment benefits, for re-entering the labor market, for establishing associations, etc., and policies that explicitly address migrants and their integration were analyzed in relation to their goals, their scope, their implementation, their evaluation and their prominence in public debate). Furthermore, the interviews with key informants (actors in central positions of policy for female migrants, including representatives of NGOs) were completed and the workpackage based on their analysis concluded. The interviews were also used as a first step for gaining mediators to the field for the biographical analysis and will enable the

setting up of a continuous forum for communication between science and policy. The report based on the key informants' interviews delivers knowledge on the processes of policy formation and policy implementation, reveals selection structures not explicated in the policy objectives, latent inclusion vs. exclusion criteria, and the arguments that construct these criteria, as well as formulates hypotheses on the impact of integration policies on the female migrants. The team analyzed the demand for female migrants' labor, discussing the demand side of the migration flows, and the pull factors producing female migration. The analysis of the demand of female migrant labor in the care sector, domestic services, and agriculture; the informalization of service sectors like the caring sector, and the structuring of informal labor markets through new agencies of labor dispersion has shown the gap in the existing research in Slovenia.

5. Project Gendered Migration, Sex Work and Exploitation: Trafficking in Women and Prostitution

(Mojca Pajnik)

The project seeks to offer reflections on the claims and needs in order to dispel myths, supercede ideological contestation and political posturing in the fields of trafficking and prostitution, and contribute more directly to research and policy formation that, in the end, affect trafficked women and women, involved in prostitution most directly. By involving scholars as the core working group, the project fostered theoretical analysis that was reflected also by the practitioners who work with trafficked women, and have knowledge about relations of trafficking to prostitution. The project thus combined theoretical/conceptual and policy analysis with empirical experience with the purpose to highlight the need for an engaged interdisciplinary and cross-regional approach to issues of trafficking and prostitution. The overall objective was to stimulate a network of researchers in the fields of migration, trafficking and prostitution in some CEE countries, specifically Austria, Croatia, Slovenia, and Serbia-Montenegro. The aim was to strengthen regional cooperation in these fields by increasing the understanding of the realities of trafficking in human beings and prostitution among regional target groups (i.e. researcher, academics, NGOs, experts, policy makers and broader public). To project aimed at contributing towards a greater awareness of points of intersection between trafficking and prostitution as highly gendered phenomena, as well as at fostering information exchange and cooperation between the experts in the field. A further objective is to intensify collaboration for future project calls, for instance under the EU 7th framework program. A workshop was also co-organized within the East East program (also chapter 6, project 1.1)

6. In-depth Applied Research to Better Understand the Demand Side of Trafficking in Persons

(Mojca Pajnik)

The project is a part of a regional initiative of the IOM (International Organization for Migration) that aimed to organize and carry out research on the demand side of trafficking and forced prostitution in Slovenia, Hungary and Poland. In doing so, the project constituted a paradigm shift moving the focus of attention away from the trafficked person and instead targeting the users of sexual services. This approach allows breaking men's anonymity around their purchasing of sex acts in the hope of bringing about greater responsibility and accountability. In order to achieve this, the research intends to enhance the understanding of the dynamics of demand both by outlining the profile and motivations of users of forced sexual services, as well as by increasing overall knowledge on the subject. The core of the research is the analysis of the interviews conducted in Slovenia in May-August 2006 among users of sexual services, women working in prostitution, club owners, middle-persons and several experts, from state officials and representatives of NGOs to engaged individuals. The study presents an overview of both prostitution and trafficking in Slovenia which includes information on the existing research that deals with the phenomena in the country and information on legislative provisions, followed by the analysis of data from the semi-structured interviews. A discussion on the different understandings of the demand side of sex is put forward, which is followed by data analysis specifically oriented to debate the demand side. The empirical findings (debating results) of the interviews are followed by a survey analysis that was carried out to explore the attitudes of males in Slovenia towards different perspectives on trafficking and prostitution. The research is expected to generate sensitive knowledge about the demand side of trafficking which will serve as background and justification for policy development in the Central European region and the EU as a whole.

7. What is the gender of equality?

(Mojca Sušnik)

The main aim of the pilot project was preparation of the educational module on equality of men and women. The module consists of methods and techniques that are very interactive and makes participants able to rethink gender relations in society and to reconsider stereotypes regarding the gender roles. The project developed the awareness

regarding gender relations and gender roles in society, especially for those who put much emphasis on those issues. The team took the gender/equality awareness raising methods from the learning partnership (Socrates - Grundvig 2) project which has been going on for the last two years. In June we had a workshop with students, NGOs and people from other organizations, which turned out very successful. Participants especially stressed that they favor new methods to present important and demanding topics in a user-friendly manner. The follow-up of the project, including its expansion, will be organized during the implementation of *GemTrEx - Professionalizing Gender Trainers & Experts in Adult Education* project (also chapter 4, project 9).

8. Mageeq. Policy frames and implementation problems. The case of gender mainstreaming
(Vlasta Jalušič)

In 2006, the project went into the dissemination phase. In January and February, a chapter for a book (to be published at the CEU press) on gender inequality in politics has been prepared. It compares six countries and the ways of framing Gender Inequality in Politics in the European Union and the Member States. In April and May, another paper has been prepared for presentation, addressing the consequences of the common uses of the concept of gender in recent gender equality policies, but also how such use can be detected and addressed. Based on the data from the MAGEEQ project, it shows how gender in equality policies in the selected European countries is generally perceived as a dichotomy, divided into two given social categories and pays special attention to the debate on whether and how to translate the deeper theoretical understanding of gender into policy practice. In July, these results (a paper) were presented at the IPSA conference in Fukuoka (Japan) and the whole Mageeq team started planning the book (to be published in Routledge EU policy series).

9. GEMTREX - Professionalizing Gender Trainers & Experts in Adult Education
(Franja Arlič)

New professions concerning Gender Mainstreaming-related activities in adult education have emerged in Europe, but thus far the quality criteria and certification for these professions (experts and trainers) are missing. Accordingly, the main goal of the project is to develop the mentioned quality criteria and certification. The project, co-financed by the European program Grundvig, started in October 2006. The first steps towards work

package 1 (needs analysis), were completed. The project consortium met in Graz with the aim to detail and define the project goals, milestones and results. Further activities will continue in 2007 and later on in 2008.

V. CULTURAL POLICY

1. Economy of Culture

(Aldo Milohnić)

In the year 2006 we continued with the project *Culture as a Factor of Social Development* which was financed by MOL (Slovenian abbreviation for the Municipality of the City of Ljubljana). Together with the MOL Department for Culture and Research we have organized two workshops with the representatives of all relevant departments of MOL, some public institutions, the Ministry of Culture and numerous cultural NGOs. Altogether 63 participants took part in the workshops. The final report was submitted to MOL in October 2006 and received an excellent evaluation. The results of the project were presented at the international conference *The Creative City: Crossing Visions and New Realities in the Region* (Inter-University Centre Dubrovnik), while some findings of the project were published in a German book (*Leap into the City*, DuMont Press). In the frame of the longitudinal project Economy of Culture, we have continued with the dissemination of the results of the previous project on the same topic. The final report of the project was partly rewritten and published in the book *Culture Ltd.: Material Conditions of Cultural Production*. The results of the project were presented at some conferences, at the PI Forum on economic reforms, in local journals and newspapers, etc.

2. Cultural Rights and Accessibility of Culture

(Aldo Milohnić)

Within this thematic field we are developing a project of critical analysis of new trends in the field of author's rights and intellectual property rights. Partners from Austria, Italy, France, Croatia, Bulgaria, Germany, The Netherlands and Slovenia are involved in the project. The research team met for the first time at a mini-conference *In the Name of the*

Author: The impact of author's rights on the production of books and reading in Ljubljana in September 2006. This event was organized in the frame of the East East program and was additionally supported by ASO Austria. This conference was an excellent opportunity to start the preparation of the project application to be proposed for funding to the European Commission (Culture 2007). The deadline for this application is end of February 2007. In fall 2006 we got a two years research policy project on protecting of author's rights in digital environment which is financed by the National Science Fund (ARRS) and the Ministry of the Economy. Work on this project has started already in November. Another important topic that is part of the same research working field is protection of human rights of discriminated social groups (i.e. immigrants, "erased" persons, sexual minorities, etc.), taking place in an interrelation between different activist and cultural/artistic actions. Our continuous efforts in this field of research is visible in the papers on the topic presented at the conferences *Performing Rights* (Queen Mary, University of London) and *Camp-project* (Fluc, Vienna), presentations in panels (for instance *Migrations, Mobility, Nomadism* at the Balkan Express International Network Meeting, Ljubljana), texts published in international journals (for instance "Direct Action and Radical Performance" in *Performance Research* published by Routledge, London), as well as editing of a special edition on the same topic published by *Maska* in fall 2006, to mention just a few of these activities performed either by the Peace Institute or in a close collaboration with our partners.

3. Advocacy & Policy Projects - National Program for Culture (NPK)

(Aldo Milohnič)

In December 2006 we have finished the project *Transformation of Culture within Changes in Economic Policy*, approved for financial support by the Trust for Civil Society in CEE in Jun 2006. The main part of the project was a critical analysis of two governmental reports on the implementation of the existing resolution of the National Program for Culture (NPK), the most important strategic paper on cultural policy in Slovenia. The final analysis was firstly commented by the members of the Association of Cultural NGOs and later submitted to the Ministry of Culture, the Committee for Culture, Education and Sport of the Parliament, Cultural Chamber, National Council for Culture and a working group for the preparation of a new national program for culture (2008-2011). Within the same thematic field we have prepared a project proposal dealing with the "surviving strategies" of the autonomous cultural centers in Slovenia and other EU countries. We have applied for funds at the open call for proposals of the European Cultural Foundation, but unfortunately

the project was not selected for funding and consequently not performed. However, we have moderated a panel on that topic which was a part of the 61th international meeting of the Trans Europe Halles Network held in Ljubljana (May 4-7, 2006), where representatives of the Autonomous Cultural Centre Metelkova and numerous international guests as well as representatives of the Ministry of Culture and the City of Ljubljana participated.

4. The Humanities and Social Sciences on the Periphery: Sciences or Technocratic Instruments?

(Aldo Milohnić)

We have been successful at the call for proposals Research Cooperation and Networking between Austria and South Eastern Europe launched by ASO - Austria. In the project entitled *The Humanities and Social Sciences on the Periphery: Sciences or Technocratic Instruments?* a group of researchers from Central and South East European countries is examining present conditions of research in the humanities and social sciences in the region, and the effects these conditions may be producing upon scientific practices. Besides the Peace Institute as a leading institution, there are several partner organizations from Austria, Montenegro and Bulgaria. In 2006 the project was presented at two ASO conferences in Vienna and Sofia. A working meeting of the research group took place in Graz in September 2006. In February 2007 we will organize an East East conference in Ljubljana in the framework of this project. We were invited to take part as a partner organization in a similar international project entitled *Bringing Research Policy into Dialogue with Civil Society* which was unfortunately not accepted for funding by the European Commission. The project may be proposed for funding in 2007.

VI. EAST/EAST, INTEGRATED PROJECTS AND SECONDARY DISSEMINATION

1. East East: Partnership Beyond Borders Program

(Mojca Pajnik, Mojca Sušnik)

In 2006, the East East: Partnership Beyond Borders Program (OSI) at the Peace Institute enabled the internationalization of important themes, such as gendered migration, trafficking in human beings, gender-sensitizing methods, new political movements, alternative media and new public spaces, questions on authors' rights and the position of political thinking nowadays. Also the teachers' performance standards were discussed and compared to the situation in the CEE region. The Program contributed importantly to the work of the PI not only in the CEE region and in the former Yugoslav state but also expanded to some other countries (for example India and Mexico).

East East Projects:

1.1 Gendered Migration, Sex Work and Exploitation: Trafficking in Women and Prostitution

International workshop, Ljubljana, March 3-4

Partners: Anti Trafficking Center, Belgrade, Institute for Migrations and Ethnic Studies, Zagreb, Institut für die Wissenschaften vom Menschen, Vienna, Društvo Ključ, Ljubljana, Univerza na Primorskem, Znanstveno-raziskovalni center Koper, Universität Wien

New partner institutions from Serbia-Montenegro and Croatia were included into the research network that has already been successfully cooperating since January 2004. Highly relevant and new insights from the South-Eastern regional perspective are expected as a result which will further stimulate discussion and networking. The exchange of previous findings and the discussion of methodological aspects are expected to be the pivotal preparatory activities for further systematic research.

The participants discussed the following topics, both from the perspective of a situation in a certain country as well as from a broader regional perspective:

- the framing and construction of prostitution and trafficking;
- grasping the differences between both phenomena, detecting their meeting points;

- examining methodological approaches that can be used when thinking and analyzing both phenomena separately, as well as sharing experiences on methods to examine the interrelation of the phenomena;
- examining the cross-roads of prostitution and trafficking, while keeping in mind the specifics of both phenomena; reflecting the areas where both phenomena overlap and devoting attention to recognize the dividing lines between the two.

1.2 New Political Movements and Practices

International workshop, Ljubljana, April 21-22

Partners: Časopis za kritiko znanosti, domišljijo in novo antropologijo, Ljubljana, Institute for ecology, Ljubljana and Multimedia Institute, Zagreb

The main goal of two days workshop was to broaden the exchange and strengthen the experiences in the everyday paths of resistance. The project discussed movements' practices emerging and developing in the CEE with the aim to theorize new political practices, reflect and discuss already existing alternatives or just emerging ones, critically reflect doings, methods, paths and dynamics of collectives, groups and communities. The workshop brought together participants from different countries that have experiences in solidarity movements (non-war, ecological) and initiatives (no-borders etc.) with the purpose to redefine spaces and places as shelters for human creativity and alternative human relations.

1.3 The Teachers' Performance Standards

Study visit, Ljubljana, April 5-6

Partners: The Center for Teacher Training and Qualification, Tirana, Centre for Educational Policy Studies, Faculty of Education, Ljubljana

The project aimed at the exchange of experiences in order to gain new knowledge in the field of development of in-service teachers' general standards. The project included interchanges between Slovene and Albanian experts, educationalists, civil society actors in order to develop professional pre-service teachers' standards of early childhood education, elementary education, low level of secondary education, and high level and technical level of secondary education. Furthermore, the project developed professional in-service teacher training standards at different levels of education, and clustered teacher's professional standards referring to the levels and disciplinary subjects. The colleagues from Albania were on a study visit in Ljubljana in April and the exchange continued in autumn in order to discuss the further development of the creation of professional standards.

1.4 Between Past and Future: The Meanings of Political Thinking Today?

International seminar, Ljubljana, June 1-3

Partners: Belgrade Circle, Belgrade, Hannah Arendt Newsletter, Berlin, Hannah Arendt Zentrum, Oldenburg in Goethe Institute, Ljubljana

The seminar is a part of the project “Politics and Power in Times of Terror - Thinking with Hannah Arendt”. The seminar aimed at bringing forward new challenges in the understanding of the political, and at reflecting the ways of comprehending violence and terror in contemporary world.

1.5 How Gender Meets Reality?

Workshop, Ljubljana, June 15-16

Partners: University of Tartu Dissens, Verein Männerberatung Graz / GenderWerkstatte Graz, Frauenservice Graz / GenderWerkstatte Graz; Grameimpuls, Societat municipal de Santa Coloma de Gramenet

The project shows the extension of two-year-work with partners from Austria, Germany, Spain to other countries, such as Bulgaria, Czech Republic, Croatia, Estonia, Romania and Slovenia. It also involves gaining feedback on what already exists in this field in the new countries involved. The project offered the opportunity to exchange different gender-sensitizing methods and to discuss different approaches to the implementation of gender mainstreaming, including the dimension of cultural backgrounds and differences.

1.6 In the Name of the Author: The Impact of Author’s Rights on the Production of Books and Readings

Mini-Symposium and working meeting in Ljubljana, September 29 - October 1

Partners: Institute for International Relations, Zagreb, Università degli Studi del Piemonte Orientale “Amedeo Avogadro”, Alessandria, Universite Montpellier, Montpellier Cedex, Institute for intellectual property, Ljubljana

The project convened experts (jurists, sociologists, economists and similar profiles) from Croatia, Austria, Italy, France, Netherlands and Slovenia. It aimed at creating a joint research group that responds to contemporary social problems, related to the intellectual property, the position of culture and the access to cultural goods and creating a platform for a future research project. The meeting consisted of two parts, a mini-symposium and a working meeting. The mini-symposium provided the opportunity for the participants to present their recent achievements and to discuss their views on the regional situation. The presentations and discussions focused on general issues related to intellectual property. The debates were opened to the public and contributed additional dimension to the

previous discussions on intellectual property and its social consequences. In addition, the invited participants were working on a research project proposal to be submitted to the tender *Culture 2007*. The aim of the working meeting was to develop a methodological approach that would help to know better the system, its overall social consequences and to discuss technical and administrative details about this particular tender.

1.7 Alternative Media and New Public Settings

International seminar, Ljubljana, 13-14 October

Partners: Slovene Communication Association, Ljubljana, School of Social Studies, Masaryk University, Brno

The seminar gathered a diverse spectrum of experts, from theorists of alternative media, sociologists, and journalists to media activists. The aim of the seminar was to (re)think and discuss the relations between theory and practice of alternative media, to debate the approaches to alternative media, the topics of new media and the questions of alternative public spaces. Furthermore, the seminar opened the debate on the relationship between alternative and mainstream media. The questions of the processes of globalization in connection to the media were debated, as well as the dialectics between publics and counterpublics, and the power of alternative media and their worldwide mobilization potentials. In addition, community and ethnic media practices were discussed. The seminar also reviewed some concrete examples of alternative media, such as video activism, community radio, activist internet, etc.

2. *Workers' and Punks' University* **(Tonči Kuzmanić, Lev Centrih)**

In the first half of 2006 *Workers' and Punks' University* continued with activities associated with the topic of 2005/06 studying year: Political Ecology. In this respect the following educational activities were realized:

- January - April 2006: the second part of 9th year's lecture cycle consisting of 14 lectures within the field of Political Ecology. Lectures took place every Thursday in Klub Gromka (Metelkova mesto, Ljubljana).
- January - June 2006 (weekly on Tuesdays, Peace Institute Library): The continuation of study reading seminar titled »6th Analysis« (studying basic texts of Freud and Lacan). Under professional mentorship of young researchers from the Slovenian Academy of Science and Arts (Samo Tomšič, Ana Žerjav, Tadej Troha, Tomaž Bezjak) and lecturer Peter Klepec,

PhD, 22 sessions were held. Special session of the study reading seminar on Ecofeminism was held under the mentorship of Val Plumwood, PhD (March 21, Peace Institute Library).

- January - February 2006: 4 thematic film seminars with lectures associated to the field of Political Ecology.

- Supporting activities of Workers' and Punks' University for Mala Šola (Metelkova mesto) under the threat of demolition. April 14, 2006: a lecture about the film »October« titled: »A modest contribution on the thinking of Event« (held by Lev Centrih) and a round table titled »What Lacan would say on demolition of Mala šola« (introductory lecture by Aljoša Kolenc, comment by lecturer Peter Klepec, PhD).

In the second half of 2006, the Workers' and Punks' University started its 10th studying year and chose "On Sin" to be the leading topic of this years' lecture cycle. In November and December 2006, 4 lectures on the topic were realized (with 21 planned altogether).

Other activities until the end of the year were:

- October 12-13, 2006 (Hall Prešeren, Slovenian Academy of Sciences and Arts and City Museum, Ljubljana): An international symposium "Tolerance - between Ethics and Politics" in cooperation with Scientific Research Centre of the Slovenian Academy of Sciences and Arts. 9 renowned speakers from Slovenia and Europe presented and discussed their papers on the topic (John Horton, Anna Galeotti, Gorazd Korošec, Nenad Miščević, Igor Pribac, Yves Charles Zarka, Boris Vezjak, Janez Krek, Gorazd Kovačič).

- October-December 2006 (weekly on Tuesdays, Peace Institute Library): First round of study reading seminars titled "Der Brecht hat immer recht" (studies of work of Bertolt Brecht). 9 sessions under mentorship of members of program board of Workers' and Punks' University and guest professors (Božidar Debenjak, Miklavž Komelj, Rastko Močnik) were held.

- October-December 2006 (fortnightly on Sundays, Peace Institute Library): 6 sessions of study reading seminar on classical Marxism (studying basic texts of Karl Marx and Friedrich Engels) were held under mentorship of members of program board of Workers' and Punks' University and guest professor Božidar Debenjak.

- October-December 2006 (fortnightly on Wednesdays, Peace Institute Library): study film seminar "Transformations on celuloid" under professional mentorship of Dušan Rebolj. 5 sessions were held.

3. Peace Institute library ***(Julija Magajna)***

In 2006 the library operated according to its mission. Its basic tasks were librarian, informational and bibliographic services. That means acquisition, cataloguing, preservation, inventorying, lending of library material and enabling access to data bases. The library also takes care of the bibliographies of Peace Institute's researchers.

4. Forum of the Peace Institute ***(Roman Kuhar)***

We have organized three Forums:

- January 30 - Dilema ali blokada? Reformska ihta (Dilemma or blockade? The reformatory haste)
- March 16 - Intimno državljanstvo (Intimate Citizenship)
- June 14 - Vročje teme enakosti spolov (Hot topics of gender equality)

The topics of the Forum were chosen either on the basis of current political affairs in Slovenia or on the basis of the research topics analyzed within the Peace Institute research projects. Short content of each Forum and the pictures taken at the event are available on the website (www.mirovni-institut.si). There were reports about these events in the media as well. Audio recordings of each Forum are available at the Peace Institute.

5. Peace Institute web sites ***(Tomaž Trplan)***

Editing of the principal website of the Peace Institute, the websites of the Media Watch project and the Workers' Punk University and several smaller websites was normal and continuous. In addition, websites for several other projects were set up in 2006 (Diversity Makes Us Richer: Not Poorer, New political movements and practices, Alternative media and new public settings, Humanities and social sciences on the periphery) and a web survey in the framework of the Fostering Caring Masculinities project. The work on the reconstruction of the Media Watch website, which will from now on include the Media for citizens project, is being continued. A design has been developed for the new site, and currently extensive and demanding work of programming and structuring of the database is being undertaken. Unfortunately, the reconstruction of the principal PI website has still not been concluded. After the delay in the execution of the redesign, a further delay was

caused in the second half of 2006 due to the departure of the staff member in charge of the execution of the website reconstruction, as well as due to additional necessary adjustments of the prepared website in line with the requests and specifications of the Peace Institute. The reconstruction process is now nearing completion, with database currently being populated with data and the administrator backend being additionally tweaked to meet the demands of the editors.

6. Policy Fellowship Program (Franja Arlič)

Two fellows were selected from the Call for applications for a PI's fellowships, 2006 - 2007, based on Peace Institute's program 2006, Both fellows were completing research and other programs of the PI, strengthening its human potential, and were thus effectively contributing to the implementation of PI's goals. The topics of 2006 program focused on politics in time of globalization, one within the project Politics and power in times of terror, and the other within the project Analysis of managerial discourse.

In 2006, the two fellows who prolonged their fellowships from 2005 also successfully concluded their program; one on the definition of terror in historic perspective with a focus on antic Greece, and second on new/unrecognized minorities.

The program raised new questions that are usually overlooked by the mainstream.

7. EuroMed - ALF Network: coordination of Slovenian national network (Lev Kreft)

As a national co-ordinator in Slovenia, the Peace Institute functioned as the distributor and re-distributor of information, as a source of advice, as the promoter of Mediterranean programs, and an actor of Mediterranean activities and discussions which were initiated by ALF center in Alexandria or by members of the network of networks. At the annual meeting of the Slovenian network, the Peace Institute's function as a co-ordinator was extended for another year.

8. The Politike Book Series

(Aldo Milohnić)

In the year 2006, we have published two titles that were prepared/edited in 2005: *The Unbearable Comfort of Privacy: The Everyday Life of Gays and Lesbians* and *Culture Ltd.: Material Conditions of Cultural Production*. Many reviews were published in mass media and scientific journals on both titles, especially on the book *Unbearable Comfort of Privacy*. Promotion of the book was in the Club of Cankarjev dom which was overcrowded by more than 100 people. The book was sold out in 2-3 months, partly thanks to the plenty presentations all around Slovenia that were organized in the framework of Roman Kuhar's project on antidiscrimination policies. *Culture Ltd.* was presented to an audience of almost 40 visitors in so-called Mala šola at Metelkova. The event was organized as a symbolic support to Metelkova autonomous cultural centre that was (and still is) severely threatened by the new government via constant inspections of legal preconditions of the autonomous cultural centre. In fall 2006, a new title *The Relaxed Ideology of the Slovenes* by Boris Vežjak was edited and translated into English. The book will be published early in 2007. Besides, in December 2007, we started editing two new editions that will be published in 2007: a critical analysis of the managerial discourse and a book on domestic work of women.

9. Politike Symposion Series: Beyond the pink Curtain (Everyday life of gays and lesbians in Eastern Europe)

The follow up of the Intimate Citizenship project was carried out. The selected papers from the international conference "Intimate citizenship", held in Ljubljana in October 2005 and organized by the East-east program (Partnership Beyond Borders Program) and European Commission program (Promoting Active European Citizenship), and from an additional call for papers, are now published in a book within the the Politike Symposion series. The book "Beyond the Pink Curtain: Everyday Life of Gays and Lesbians in Eastern Europe", edited by Roman Kuhar and Judit Takacs, includes 21 texts. As important as the obvious "academic aim" of the book is the political goal of the project: to voice those whose experiences are analyzed and whose everyday lives' "joys and pains" are mirrored in the texts. The 21 articles of this volume illustrate the increasingly conspicuous *ways of LGBT existence*, specifically characteristic of Belarus, Bulgaria, Croatia, the Czech Republic, East-Germany, Estonia, Hungary, Latvia, Lithuania, Poland, Serbia, Slovakia, and Slovenia.

The publishing of the book will be followed by a "promotional tour", which - we hope - will not be limited only to Slovenia.

10. Analysis and promotion of policy debate on the European future of Turkey and Ukraine in four Central European states

(Veronika Bajt)

This international project was a cooperation of the Peace Institute with three other research centres from the Czech Republic, Hungary and Poland. It ended in April 2006. The mission was to investigate the state of current expert and public debates in the 4 states in order to identify the prevailing social attitudes on the question of desirability and feasibility of further EU enlargements to include Turkey and Ukraine. Two public events were organized: a national roundtable - Forum titled "Ukraine and Turkey in the EU?" (in 2005) and a public presentation of the results at the international conference "Debate on Prospects of Turkish and Ukrainian Accession in an Enlarged EU" (at the Centre for European Policy Studies, Brussels, 2006). The results of the project were published in *EU Accession Prospects for Turkey and Ukraine: Debates in New Member States* (Ed. By Piotr Kazimierkiewicz), Institute of Public Affairs, Warsaw 2006.

11. Summer Workshop for Israeli, Palestinian and Slovenian Students

(Lev Kreft, Lana Zdravković)

Under initiative of the Government/Ministry of Foreign Affairs, and with the Red Cross of Slovenia as the coordinating organizer, youth peace jamboree of Palestinian and Israeli students took place at Debeli Rtic (July 12- 21, 2007). As co-organizer of this event, the PI provided three discussions (Can minorities be protected by nation-state?; Anti-semitism and anti-islamism in history and today; (Dis)Respect of human rights in international conflicts and international legal system) with lecturers and facilitators from the PI, and (on one occasion) from the Institute for Ethnic Studies).

Enclosures:

1. A list of fund-raising applications in 2006
2. A list of PI's events in 2006