Let’s advertise Common Values Project

**Country:** Italy

**Organisation responsible:** Africa e Mediterraneo

**Activity:** Projects consisting of students and teachers from around 25 schools addressing through arts what the values shared by different systems of thought, both secular and religious, are and how can they influence our perception of the “other”.

**Objectives**

- Facilitating communication in the field of values in a multicultural and multi-religious society.
- Encouraging the children to reflect on the fact that the different religions, and all the secular concepts, share moral values of whose understanding can promote mutual respect and a social bond.
- Fighting false knowledge, worries and fears rooted in different cultural systems about “the other”.

**Description**

In order to do this “Pubblicizziamo I Valori Comuni” uses materials made in the European project “Common Values” in which five different common issues of significant importance were identified: love and forgiveness, non-violence, mutual respect, generosity, anti-discrimination. Four writers of international accolade (Pascale Fonteneau, Thomas Gunzig, Carl Norac, Abdourahman Waberi) were thereafter involved in the drafting of the five narratives used in the classes: L’appello by Pat Masioni, *La riserva* by Titi Faustin, *Hisham e Isotta* by Simon Pierre Mbumbo, *Se mi segui intorno al mondo...* by Fifi Mukuna e *Compi to a casa* by Chrisany.

In addition, the project has been successfully integrated into the cross-curriculum framework involving different disciplines in the analysis of the issues addressed in the workshop giving for a wider educative perspective.

**Beneficiaries**

Students and teachers from around 25 Italian schools.

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**GOAL 6: Reinforce the role of youth as actors for change**

(100) Implement education programs that promote global justice, soft skills and critical thinking, tolerance and respect for diversity, in order to promote peace and nonviolent values.

(101) Explore means of introducing civic and peaceful education into school curricula, textbooks, teaching materials and trainings and awareness to teachers.