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**Working Document for the Euro-Med
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This document presents ALF proposals for the theme, Presidency of the Jury and Time-table of the Sixth Edition of the Euro-Med Award for Dialogue 2011.



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Proposed Theme of the VI Edition of the Euro-Med Award for Dialogue between Cultures

Theme history:

Every year the Presidency of the Jury of the Award chooses a different theme. The themes of the previous editions are:

- **2006:** Mutual Respect among People of Different Religions or Any Other Belief
- **2007:** Women and Men Hand in Hand for Gender Equality
- **2008:** Dialogue Through Arts
- **2009:** Dialogue for Peace and Coexistence
- **2010:** Dialogue for Ecological Sustainability

Proposed Theme 2011:

For the Sixth Edition, the Anna Lindh Foundation is proposing the following theme¹:

Youth Acting for Social Inclusion Through Dialogue

- 2011 is the International Year for Youth (UN) and International Year for Volunteers (EC);
- 2010 was the European Year for Combating Poverty and Social Exclusion and the International Year of the Rapprochement of Cultures by the UNESCO;
- Combating discrimination and exclusion are on the top of the UN Millennium Development Goals;
- Xenophobia, racism and illegal and criminal exploitation of immigrant working forces are interrelated phenomena which are undermining the application of basic human rights and the culture of hospitality of many societies in the region;
- Promotion of active citizenship and civil society participation is one of the goals of the ALF in the Region;
- Migrants are one of the ALF target groups;
- One of the ALF Strategic Fields of Action is Migration, City and Diversity;
- Approximately 60 % of the ALF Network members work in the fields of Human Rights, Democracy and Community Development.

The proposal is to award best practices of young citizens and activists in the promotion of social inclusion and integration in multi-cultural and multi-ethnic contexts in the Region.

¹ This theme was proposed last year for the Fifth Edition

Proposed Presidency of the Jury of the Sixth Edition of the Euro-Med Award for Dialogue between Cultures

Presidency of the Jury History:

Every year, the Presidency of the Jury rotates among the Heads of Network.

- **2006:** Anna Lindh Foundation Executive Director, Fondazione Mediterraneo President, Heads of Networks of Malta and Cyprus (EU countries) and Algeria, Egypt, Turkey (Med. partner countries).
- **2007:** Anna Lindh Foundation Executive Director, Fondazione Mediterraneo President, Heads of Networks of Malta and Cyprus (EU countries) and Jordan, Lebanon and Morocco (Med. partner countries).
- **2008:** Anna Lindh Foundation Executive Director, Fondazione Mediterraneo President, Heads of Networks of Malta and Cyprus (EU countries) and Israel, Palestine, Syria and Tunisia (Med. partner countries).
- **2009:** Anna Lindh Foundation Executive Director, Fondazione Mediterraneo President, Heads of Networks of Croatia, Czech Republic, Portugal, Sweden (EU countries) Egypt, Morocco and Turkey (Med. partner countries).
- **2010:** Anna Lindh Foundation Executive Director, Fondazione Mediterraneo President, Heads of Networks of Belgium, Bulgaria, Montenegro, Spain (EU countries) and Mauritania, Israel and Tunisia (Mediterranean partner countries).

Proposed Presidency of the Jury for the XI Edition:

Anna Lindh Foundation Executive Director, Fondazione Mediterraneo President, Heads of Networks of **Poland, Romania, Hungary, Denmark** (EU countries) and **Lebanon, Algeria** and **Palestine** (Med. partner countries)

The role of the Presidency of the Jury is to primarily choose the annual theme/topic of the award, participate in the selection of the 5 short-list finalists², and finally to make proposals for the methodology and mechanism of the Award and the winner selection process.

Time-table of the Sixth Edition of the Euro-Med Award for Dialogue 2011	
2 Dec. 2010	Adoption of VI Edition Theme at the Presidency of the Jury meeting
March – April 2011	Nomination for the Award
May 2011	Selection of 5 Finalists by Heads of Network
May – June 2011	Voting for the Winner by members of the Network
July 2011	Announcing the Winner
Sept. 2011 – March 2012	Awarding Ceremony and Programme of the Winner

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² In the first two editions (2006 & 2007), the Presidency of the Jury exclusively selects the 5 finalists.