



"There are many opportunities in Europe for young people from Ireland, especially those with fewer opportunities such as unemployed young people and early school leavers.

Working, studying, training or volunteering in Europe can be especially beneficial to young people struggling to find their place in society. But often this information doesn't reach the people who need it most. The Time to Move campaign from Eurodesk, the Europe-wide information network for young people, aims to put this right. Time to Move will run across Europe in October. It informs young people and those who work with them about opportunities to work, study, train and volunteer in Europe. The campaign also provides useful local contacts in the areas of Youth and European Information". Press release 2020

Eurodesk (YIC) Tipperary takes part in the annual Time to Move campaign across Europe and this year while adapting to the pandemic we did manage our popular quiz events over zoom with the rural team and other new events such as our Zoom chat with our returned volunteer Natasha who is now a Eurodesk Ambassador for Tipperary and she will be joined by Luke O Gorman from Nenagh to cover North Tipperary, both will be part of a Eurodesk National Network and will also work with Eurodesk Tipperary on local promotion and activities. Our latest volunteer to be sent abroad is Robert Nesirky who headed off to Germany in October on his European Solidarity Corps project so we looking forward to hearing from him.



Senior quiz with member of Borrisokane, Pallasgreen, Drom, Holycross TippCNN and Protroe. Winner were Adrian, Mariam, Brian, Sekinot, Karam, Stephen and Immaculate

Junior quiz we had members from Cullen/Lattin, Cappawhite, Borrisokane winners were Abigail, Jamie, Theresa and Hazel, all were posted their prizes.

Winners loved the hoodies/t-shirt's as modelled in photos.

YP online quiz – it was fun looking for things in the house for the quiz and I liked the quiz because I didn't have to spell when I knew the answer just click



We did a live quiz in Fethard youth group and Bernie won the hoody after a very intense battle. The food round was again very popular with Feta Cheese and Salami getting a mixed reaction.

Some feedback from Fethard session

Worker: It was a great success - very interactive and informative, I even learned a few new facts myself!

YP 1: "Great fun, I wish we could do it more often"

YP 2: "I really enjoyed doing the quiz it was really fun trying new foods and testing my knowledge I was really happy with my result and I hope we get to do more quizzes in the future"

YP 3: "It was great fun"

YP 4: "I enjoyed it and learned some things I didn't know before"





The junior girls group in Thurles Homework club also did the quiz live with Chloe winning the hoody on the day, all members got a prize and a map, badge and pencils from European Parliament office in Dublin.

Essay competition for young people.

U14 – My best adventure/memory in another EU country (fact or fiction)

U18 – What is good about being part of European Union in 2020

With some very entertaining entries the winners were Orla O

Donnell & Aine Kinane

"Hi everyone I'm Natasha, I was nominated as a Eurodesk Ambassador by Pauline from Youth Work Tipperary. I got the opportunity to be in Finland for a year, the flights, accommodation, monthly allowance and support was all provided by EVS. I made friends from all over Europe and gained valuable work experience too. Its life changing."





Meet Luke our new Eurodesk

Ambassador from Nenagh. Both himself and Natasha will be helping plan for Eurodesk Tipperary activities for 2021.

Ever thought about volunteering in Europe?? Want to know about European Solidarity Corps and how to apply? Open to young people aged 18-30yrs to travel to another EU country.

THEN JOIN EURODESK TIPPERARY ON WED 21st OCTOBER at 6pm TO FIND OUT MORE.

Chat to our Eurodesk Ambassador Natasha from Tipperary about her







experience in Finland.

Interested in Voluntary Service International VSI – hear more on the night.

Our web chat clashed with another in the area so we didn't get the numbers but we shared experience and learnt from each other about the possibilities and as we now have two Eurodesk Ambassadors in Tipperary (Luke & Natasha) we made plans to look at their role and how locally it can benefit them and YWIT.

If anyone wants to know more about European Solidarity corps open to 18-30yrs and wants help to plan their adventure, please get in touch. Group workshops can be done (one safe to do so) and also individual support for those wishing to participate and as a sending organisation we support you before, during and after you return.

Anyone from Tipp over 18 who has experienced EVS, studying abroad or taking part in Youth Exchange that would like to join our Ambassadors contact pauline.strappe@youthworktipperary.ie

Tipperary Eurodesk took part in the Spunout Promotional week12-16th Oct on Chat live system highlighting volunteering, studying and working abroad. The focus was to create awareness, answer questions, support young people looking for new opportunities and refer them to local Eurodesk Coordinator's who could support them proceeding with their plans. The tone was optimistic and getting young people to think positively about their future and travelling when safe to do so. The campaign was proactive and in the year that we have it was great to offer a hopeful message about making plans and dreaming about your future post covid.



90993 reach on social media, 1279 visitors to the page, 199 people responded to ads and 133 young people had live chat about TTM.

(55 volunteering, 32 work, 8 study and 13 asking for local referall)

Eurodesk Tipperary has also linked with Nenagh Europe Direct in Nenagh Library and will be a member of the judging panel in the annual soapbox competition in November.

Europe Direct Soapbox 2020 Public Speaking Competition

"Everyone wants to go back to the pre-Covid way of life"



See www.europedirect.ie.

EURODESK TIPPERARY – 25yrs through Youth Info in Tipperary & Thurles







- Specialised area of European Information provided to the Eurodesk Network throughout EU countries. Using a comment Intranet.
- Linked to 300 YIC/relays across Europe as part of ERYICA
- European Youth Information Charter (standards or operation) good practice
- Membership of Eurodesk Network in Ireland/EU

Get in contact – info@youthworktipperary.ie

We had also planned to have a cake for our Eurodesk Birthday and to invite the 1st Eurodesk Co-ordinator in Tipperary, Anne Whyte back to chat about her role at the start of Eurodesk Tipperary 25yrs ago involving a trip to Scotland, while eating cake but that event couldn't take place at this time. However, Tea & Cake will happen when safe to do so.

Anyone wishing to link with the work of Eurodesk Tipperary for its annual activities or to create something new please get in touch.

