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NETWORK

SAVE THE DATE!!!

Youth employment in Europe - a challenge for churches? CALL Network conference

28th - 30th November 2013

Evangelische Tagungsstaette in Loewenstein,
Germany

In November 2012 according to Eurostat there were 5.8 million unemployed young people under 25 in the EU-27. This is more than the population of Denmark. These are only numbers, but behind the numbers are young individuals facing many aspects of unemployment that need to be addressed today.

Due to the current crisis in Europe many young people find themselves in situations constraining them to take precarious jobs or unpaid internships to succeed in the labour market: this is prolonging their transition into adulthood and forces them to live with their parents until their mid-thirties. Many young people lose trust and are less willing to participate in society.

What is the role that churches and church related organisations can play to overcome the dramatic situation of young people today? What needs to be done to secure better inter-generational dialogue and cooperation within society? Are there ways of cooperation between churches, church organisations and young people that can help to find a solution?

To find answers to these questions and to propose concrete actions, CALL network invites you to take part in a conference ***Youth employment in Europe - a challenge for churches?***

CALL is a network of the Church and Society of the Conference of European Churches. Read more [here!](#)

This event will be designed to bring together young people and representatives from various European churches and church related organisations, which are already engaged in projects and programmes for youth employment.

The conference aims to understand the expectations and needs of young people and to identify possible ways of cooperation in addressing the issues around youth employment in Europe. The participants will discuss the challenge of youth unemployment from various aspects, to show different perspectives and discover good practices in churches and diaconal organisations that are already in place to improve the situation, share ideas and experiences.

In addition, through this conference CALL network wants to give a concrete face to the numbers of young people affected by this crisis. Therefore we invite you to take part in the conference to share your story and your experience!

Are you young? Is your life affected by the current employment situation? How? Save the date, join the conference, tell the story of many young people on the European level and be part of change!