

## Award ceremony



About 600 people, among whom head of schools, parents and volunteers, assisted at this year's Award ceremony at the *Forum Campus Geesseknäppchen* on the 20<sup>th</sup> of April. H.R.H. Prince Guillaume and the minister of education Claude Meisch congratulated the 192 new Award holders.



The *Prix du Mérite Jeunesse*, designated to honour young people's projects, has been handed over to the *Pétenger Jugendhaus*. The local youth centre was involved in building a school in Togo and equipped it with the fundamental infrastructure and necessary materials.



Djuna Bernard took the audience through the evening and two young bands entertained with different music styles. Moreover, some of the new gold Award holders shared their personal experiences.

## The 9<sup>th</sup> EMAS Conference



The EMAS Regional Conference was held in Bled, Slovenia from 27<sup>th</sup> to 29<sup>th</sup> of June. The Conference offered the opportunity and space to share practices and experiences among members of the Association, and to discuss the implementation of policies for the operational development of the Award Programme in the EMAS Region. H.R.H. Prince Guillaume and Astrid de Leeuw (national office) represented Luxembourg at this event. Pictures of the conference are available on this website: <http://emasconference.mepi.si>

## Goodbye Adeline Krausch



Since 2008 Adeline Krausch worked with great commitment and enthusiasm for the *Mérite Jeunesse* in the national office. In May she retired. Thank you Adeline for all the amazing work you have done!

## Agenda

14.09	Visit H.R.H. Prince Guillaume European School Kirchberg
16.09-18.09	national expedition
12.10	Visit H.R.H. Prince Guillaume Centre Convict Episcopal
15.10-16.10	Award Leader training
08.11	Visit H.R.H. Prince Guillaume École de Commerce et de Gestion



## Dear participant

Please do not forget to register yourself for each level anew! Once you have finished your bronze or silver and you would like to continue for silver or gold, you have to register once again.

### The expeditions in September



The national qualifying journey will take place in the north of Luxembourg from 16<sup>th</sup> to 18<sup>th</sup> of September. Participants of the European School Kirchberg as well as of the École Privée Sainte-Anne will be on an adventurous journey that same weekend. No doubt that the participants will have a lot of fun and make great new experiences.

### Photos for the website, flyers...

Have you taken great pictures of a good quality during your journey or an activity of one of the other sections? We would be pleased to use them for our new website, presentations or flyers. Feel free to send them to the national office: [monique.kellen@youth.lu](mailto:monique.kellen@youth.lu)

### Prix du Mérite

Do you run a project as a group or do you know a group of young people aged 14-25 who has an interesting project going on? The *Mérite Jeunesse Luxembourg* announces the 11<sup>th</sup> edition of the *Prix du Mérite Jeunesse* and registrations are open until 1<sup>st</sup> of December 2016. The project has to fit into one of the four following sections: volunteering, adventure/discovery, skill/competency or sports. More details will be available on our website soon.

### Good news :

Over the summer our new website will go online! On this site you will find the latest news, you may download various documents and read information about the Award programme. The site will be launched in English, but later on a Luxembourgish and a French version will be available too.



## Dear Award Leader

### License check

A year after a unit has signed the license, the national office organises a meeting with the Award Leaders in their school or organisation to check if the requests of the license are met, as well as to get to know the leaders and share knowledge and experiences. Astrid and Monique from the national office are looking forward to the next meetings in autumn.



### Award Leader Training in Oktober

Would you like to start delivering the Award in your unit or would you like to refresh your knowledge about the Award? An Award Leader training will take place in Beaufort on 15<sup>th</sup> and 16<sup>th</sup> of October. You can sign up at the national office until the 16<sup>th</sup> of September.

### Award Leaders evening



The annual Award Leaders evening will be held in the Forum Campus Geesseknäppchen at 6 p.m. on the 20<sup>th</sup> of October. The *Mérite Jeunesse foundation* would like to use this opportunity to thank all the Award Leaders involved in the programme.

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