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BREAKING NEWS

CONGRATULATION TO THE HAPPY COUPLE!

On July 6, 2014 Mauro and Marta, a young couple from Rome, got married!



After 10 years of love and 2 of living together they have fulfilled their dream by getting married and exchanging the marriage vow.

Near the bride and groom in a well attended ceremony gathered family and friends happy to share with them this important day of their lives.

Mauro and Marta are now on their honeymoon to enjoy a well deserved rest.

They introduce themselves in a brief interview made few days before their marriage:

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=psGQtHXKVKk>

“LADY ISABEL”

Isabel Garcia, the young Spanish designer with Down syndrome, returned to the catwalk with new and colored models.

“Lady Isabel”, as she is known in the art world, presented at the Parador de San Marcos, in the city of Leòn, her second collection, consisting of 26 models of summer, fall and holiday.

This is a more mature and relaxed exhibition than her first one, but shows the same imagination and intensity that have already captivated the public last year.



Isabel Garcia with her models

Read more: <http://www.sindromedown.net/index.php?idMenu=12&idIdioma=1&int1=1626>

LOOKING FOR EUROPEAN FUNDING

Just in case, you were looking for European funding, here there are some useful web sites.

WARNING!: many web sites are just partially updated at the moment. They still provide information on old funding programmes together with news about 2014-2020 opportunities. Thus, be careful and look at proper funding.

EU COMMISSION WEB SITES

http://europa.eu/about-eu/funding-grants/index_en.htm

Basic facts about EU funding (types , beneficiaries, addresses)

The EU provides funding and grants for a broad range of projects and programmes covering areas such as:

- education
- health
- consumer protection
- environmental protection
- humanitarian aid.

http://ec.europa.eu/contracts_grants/grants_en.htm

All EU Commission's Grants

The Commission makes direct financial contributions in the form of grants in support of projects or organisations which further the interests of the EU or contribute to the implementation of an EU programme or policy. Interested parties can apply by responding to specific calls for proposals

OTHER WEB SITES

Then you have many, many web sites which show main EU funding programmes and usually ask for subscription for further details, training and consultancy. It will be up to you to decide which services you want to buy.

What follows is a short list of examples of web sites in English, managed by private companies. There are a lot in European national languages.

<http://www.welcomeurope.com/> (France)

http://www.eustrainingsite.com/eu_funds.php (Hungary)

<http://europeanfundingnetwork.eu/funding-advice> (UK)

NB: There also web sites on European (and national) funding opportunities promoted by public institutions, like local authorities and universities. Visit those of your country!

Finally, three European programmes' web sites, which could be of some interest for EDSA members.

HORIZON 2020, ERASMUS + AND EUROPE FOR CITIZENS

<http://ec.europa.eu/programmes/horizon2020> **Horizon 2020** is the biggest EU Research and Innovation programme ever with nearly €80 billion of funding available over 7 years (2014 to 2020)

<http://ec.europa.eu/programmes/erasmus-plus> The **Erasmus+** programme aims to boost skills and employability, as well as modernising Education, Training, and Youth work.

http://ec.europa.eu/citizenship/index_en.htm By funding schemes and activities in which citizens can participate, the **Europe for citizens** Programme is promoting Europe's shared history and values, and fostering a sense of ownership for how the EU develops.

NEWS FROM EDSA MEMBERS

COORDOWN (ITALY)

DEAR FUTURE MOM CAMPAIGN

For the third consecutive year a CoorDown communication campaign gets an extraordinary recognition at the Cannes International Festival of Creativity. The “Dear Future Mom” campaign, designed in collaboration with the Saatchi & Saatchi advertising agency, on the occasion of the last World Down syndrome Day , was honored on stage at the Palais des Festivals with two Golden, three Silver and one Bronze Lions. CoorDown has won: 2 golden lions in Direct (Response / Real Time Activity; Health & Safety, Public Awareness Messages); 1 silver lion in Direct (Best Low Budget Campaign), 1 in Cyber Lions (Social Video) and 1 Promo (Public Health & Safety & Public Awareness Messages); 1 bronze lion in Film Lions (Public Awareness Messages).



During the show

This is the link to the movie on YouTube

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Ju-q4OnBtNU>

Read more: <http://www.coordown.it/www/article.php?id=606>

DOWN GRANADA (SPAIN)

Young people with Down syndrome from Granada will be tour guides of their city.

They will show Granada's area called Realejo to their friends and to tourists explaining the most important monuments and places.

They are youngsters of the association DOWN GRANADA and have been trained to be tour guides.

This service is offered free of charge to tourists because they are volunteers.

It's a great way to explore the city since these guys can explain many interesting things.



Visits can be booked on the Down Granada web site <http://www.downgranada.org/>

Read more: <http://www.sindromedown.net/index.php?idMenu=12&idIdioma=1&int1=1629>

NEWS FROM PROJECTS WITH EDSA MEMBERS INVOLVED AS PARTNERS

POSEIDON PROJECT **POSEIDON**

The Poseidon project is funded by the European Community and is promoted by a number of partners including the Norwegian Network for Down Syndrome, the English Down's Syndrome Association and the German Association Down-Syndrom.

The project objectives are to improve living conditions of people with Down syndrome through the development of technologies for support them (such as apps) that allow them a better independence by facilitating their participation in society.

Among the project activities there is also an investigation to know how people with Down syndrome are using new technologies.

This is an interview in which educators, people who are in foster care or professionally to deal with people with Down syndrome can answer.

Anyone wishing to contribute to the investigation can then fill out the questionnaire online, available at this address: <http://bis-berlin.de/poseidon/questionario=it>

To answer the questions it takes about 30 minutes.

Read more: www.poseidon-project.org

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