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Structure and objectives

The statutes of the UNESCO Centre of Catalonia define its objectives as follows:

"The UNESCO Centre of Catalonia is an association whose objective is to spread the ideals, documents and activities of UNESCO (United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organisation) in the Catalan cultural area and bring to UNESCO the collaboration of the Catalan cultural community in the fields of activity of UNESCO—that is, in education, science, culture and communication. It also aims to publicise and circulate documentation of other government and non government organisations as a contribution to international peace and coexistence.

In particular, it will contribute to the strengthening of initiatives already under way in Catalonia for spreading the ideals of UNESCO, such as the Catalan Federation of UNESCO Associations and Clubs, as well as the associations forming part of it, the UNESCO associated schools, the UNESCO associated libraries, the UNESCO university chairs and UNESCO publications, in each case establishing the most suitable partnership.

The UNESCO Centre of Catalonia will offer technical services to UNESCO for activities of mutual interest in order to contribute to UNESCO programmes and projects from the Catalan cultural sphere.

The UNESCO Centre of Catalonia will offer technical services to public and private bodies in Catalonia to establish collaboration agreements with UNESCO in the framework of the regulations applicable in each case.

The UNESCO Centre of Catalonia will undertake specialised projects for cooperation in development in those areas relevant to UNESCO, on its own initiative or as part of international programmes by UNESCO or by other government or non government organisations.

The association's activities will take place mainly in the territory of Catalonia. The activities for cooperation in development will take place in the relevant territories for each project."

The UNESCO Centre of Catalonia was officially constituted on 12 December 1984. Taking part in the event were Miquel Bes, Joan Carrera, Fèlix Martí, Josep M. Queralt, Raimon Ribera, Joan Seguí and Marc Taxonera, on behalf of various institutions. The Centre's initial statutes were registered with the Directorate General of Law and Juridical Bodies of the Department of Justice of the Generalitat de

Catalunya (Catalan Government) on 25 February 1985. The Centre's present statutes, updating the originals, were registered on 6 September 1996.

The UNESCO Centre of Catalonia has maintained official relations with UNESCO since 1993. In 1999 UNESCO extended the UNESCO Centre of Catalonia's status as member of the group of foundations

with official relations with UNESCO for a period of six years.

The UNESCO Centre of Catalonia is a body declared of public utility by the Spanish Ministry of the Interior, as officially recorded on 2 June 1996.

The UNESCO Centre of Catalonia has had the status of advisory body (Roster category) on the United Nations Economic and Social Council (ECOSOC) since 22 July 2002. In addition, the UNESCO Centre of Catalonia is a non government organisation (NGO) associated to the United Nations Department of Public Information since 1984.

The UNESCO Centre of Catalonia provides technical services for the Catalan Federation of UNESCO Associations and Clubs and its members, as well as for the UNESCO Associated Schools Plan and the Catalan Coordinating Body for the UNESCO Chairs.

The Centre undertakes its activities with the help of UNESCO and of the Generalitat de Catalunya.

The UNESCO Centre of Catalonia has relations with the Spanish Commission for Cooperation with UNESCO.

The UNESCO Centre of Catalonia is a member of the following federations: Catalan Federation of UNESCO Associations and Clubs, Catalan Federation of Non Government Organisations for Development, Catalan Federation of Non Government Organisations for Human Rights, Catalan Federation of Non Government Organisations for Peace, Catalan Federation of Internationally Recognised Organisations (FOCIR). The Centre is also a member of the international association Cultures of the World, whose object it is to defend cultural identities and make cultural communities all over the world internationally known.

ASSEMBLY AND BOARD OF THE UNESCO CENTRE OF CATALONIA

The UNESCO Centre of Catalonia was constituted as an association in 1984 by representatives from: Congress of Catalan Culture Foundation, Catalan Encyclopaedia Foundation, Jaume Bofill Foundation, Joan Miró Foundation, Peace Foundation and Roca Galès Foundation. On 29 April 2003, the chairman of the Institute of Catalan Studies, Josep Laporte, confirmed the entry of two representatives to the board and the assembly of the UNESCO Centre of Catalonia; information on the portal **entitats.info** of 19 May. That same month Òmnium Cultural confirmed its entry into the UNESCO Centre of Catalonia; information on the portals **vilaweb.com** and **entitats.info** on 28 May.

In January the Catalan Encyclopaedia Foundation informed of the entry of Francesc Cabana as the representative of the foundation on the assembly of the Centre. The new members on behalf of the Institute of Catalan Studies were Salvador Giné and Salvador Alegret. The new members on behalf of Òmnium Cultural were Jordi Porta and Oleguer Serra. The present president of the UNESCO Centre of Catalonia is Enric Masllorens (Peace Foundation). The general secretary is Joan-Josep González (Roca Galès Foundation). Fèlix Martí is honorary chairman. The other members of the assembly are: Joan Albaigès (Congress of Catalan Culture Foundation), Salvador Alegret (Institute of Catalan Studies), Jordi Armadans (Peace Foundation), Eduard Castellet (Joan Miró Foundation), Miquel Coll i Alemany (Congress of Catalan

Culture Foundation), Núria Esteve (Roca Galès Foundation), Salvador Giné (Institute of Catalan Studies), Francesc Gironella (Catalonia Foundation), Joaquim Maluquer (Catalan Encyclopaedia Foundation), Jordi Porta (Òmnium Cultural), Jordi Sànchez (Jaume Bofill Foundation), Eva Serra (Catalonia Foundation), Oleguer Serra (Òmnium Cultural), Antoni Soler (Peace Foundation) and Marc Taxonera (Congress of Catalan Culture Foundation). The members of the board are: Salvador Alegret, Eduard Castellet, Joan Josep González, Joaquim Maluquer, Enric Masllorens, Jordi Porta, Eva Serra and Marc Taxonera.

The assemblies of the UNESCO Centre of Catalonia were held on 25 March and 11 December. The board meetings took place on 28 January, 25 February, 20 May, 8 July and 28 October.

On 5 February there was a public event in honour of Fèlix Martí, to mark the occasion of his retirement and in acknowledgement of his eighteen years as director of the UNESCO Centre of Catalonia. Addressing the event were Doudou Diène, United Nations rapporteur and former director of the UNESCO Division for Intercultural Dialogue; Paul Ortega, director of the UNESCO Centre of the Basque Country and President of the World Federation of UNESCO Associations, Centres and Clubs; Federico Mayor Zaragoza, former Director General of UNESCO, and Fèlix Martí himself. During the event, Jordi Bosch recited writings by the poet Miquel Martí i Pol, who was also present. There was information on *entitats info* 6 and 7 February; on *vilaweb* 7 February; on 15 February the magazine *El Pregó* published part of Fèlix Martí's speech; on 3 March Agustí Colomines published the article 'Fèlix Martí or the ethics of living' in the newspaper *Avui*; Manuel Parés Macias published the article 'Fèlix Martí, a Catalan model of citizenship' in the newspaper *El Punt* 14 March; number 23 of the Catalan Federation of Internationally Recognised Organisations's *el butletí* in March, devoted its 'Davantal' to an account of Fèlix Martí's activity at the head of the UNESCO Centre of Catalonia; in April, number 10 of the bulletin *L'Opinió Catalana* devoted its editorial and ample information to him.

Relations with UNESCO and the UNESCO civic network

Raimon Ribera, as Director of the UNESCO Centre of Catalonia, visited the UNESCO offices in Paris on several occasions. On 22 January, along with the honorary chairman of the Centre, Fèlix Martí, he met with Milagros del Corral, Director of the Division of Arts and Cultural Policies; with René Zapata, Director of the Division of Programme Planning, Monitoring and Reports, and with Hans d'Orville, Director of the UNESCO Office for Strategic Planning. On 23 January Fèlix Martí and Raimon Ribera met with Koichiro Matsuura, Director-General of UNESCO, as reported in the newspaper *Avui* on 24 January, the *Diari de Balears* on 24 January and the portal *entitats.info* on 27 January. Also on 23 January Fèlix Martí and Raimon Ribera met with Ahmed Sayyad, Assistant Director General, Sector for External Relations and Cooperation; with Mary-Louise Kearney, Director of the Division of Relations with National Commissions and New Partnerships; with Michael Millward and with Hilary Wiesner, of the Office of the Director General; on 24 January, the Director and the Honorary President of the Centre met with Carmen Piñán, Programme Specialist of the Division of Higher Education; with Linda King, of the Linguistic Programme of the Section of Education for Universal Values; with Joie Springer, of the Division of the Information Society; and with Katerina Stenou, Director of the Division of Cultural Policies.

On 23 January, Raimon Ribera met in Paris with the permanent Delegate Ambassador of the Spanish state before UNESCO, Francisco Villar Ortiz de Urbina.

On 23 September, Raimon Ribera met in Madrid with Tomàs Solís, Secretary General of the Spanish Commission for Cooperation with UNESCO.

MEMORANDUM AGREEMENT BETWEEN UNESCO AND THE GENERALITAT DE CATALUNYA

On 22 October at the UNESCO headquarters in Paris a Memorandum Agreement was signed between the Generalitat de Catalunya and UNESCO with the object of strengthening links between the two institutions in matters of education, science, culture and communication. The agreement was signed by the President of the Generalitat de Catalunya, Jordi Pujol, and the UNESCO Director-General, Koichiro Matsuura. Raimon Ribera also attended the event. UNESCO issued a press release, in number 241 of *FlashInfo* on 23 October. The event was reported in the newspaper *La Vanguardia* on 19 October, on TV3's 'Telenotícies Vespre' on 22 October, on the portal *e-notícies* on 22 October, in the newspapers *Avui*, *La Vanguardia* and *el Periódico* on 23 October, in the newspaper *El Punt* on 24 October, on the portal *entitats.info* on 24 October, and in the magazine *Notícies/Newsletter* of the Generalitat de Catalunya on 31 October.

On 22 September, Raimon Ribera met in Madrid with Patricio Torres, Vice-President of the UNESCO Centre of Madrid.

Fèlix Martí is a member of the Council of the Future, a UNESCO cooperation network whose object is to further futures studies in the fields of competence of UNESCO.

The UNESCO Centre of Catalonia, in partnership with the UNESCO Centre of the Basque Country, is responsible for the Castilian edition of the *New UNESCO Courier*, published since 2002 to replace the traditional *UNESCO Courier* and the magazine *Fuentes*. In the course of the year the Centre produced two numbers of this publication.

From 11 to 28 February Álvaro Martínez, of the UNESCO Centre of Montevideo, visited the UNESCO Centre of Catalunya to see the running and the activities of the Centre. From 17 to 21 November Fernanda Hoppenhaym, also of the UNESCO Centre of Montevideo, also made a study visit here.

The Spanish Commission for Cooperation with UNESCO organised a meeting in Cáceres of the UNESCO civic network in the Spanish state from 30 March to 2 April, which did not eventually meet because of the war in Iraq. To prepare this meeting an organising committee was set up which included Miquel Martí and Albert Martí and which met in Madrid on 4 February and 11 March. Eventually, a meeting of the UNESCO civic network of the Spanish state was held in Cáceres from 4 to 6 June, convened by the Spanish Commission for Cooperation with UNESCO. Taking part on behalf of the various Catalan UNESCO networks were: Jordi de Cambra, Àlex Cosials, Montserrat Farré, Àlex Gelonch, Albert Martí, Miquel Martí, Susanna Martí, Onno Seroo and Núria Ventosa. The Catalan delegation met previously in Barcelona on 15 May.

During April, the Catalan political parties announced their proposals for a new Statute of Catalonia. In every case there was mention of the need for Catalonia to have direct representation at UNESCO. In addition, in September Òmnium Cultural released the document 'Linguistic Commitment', directed at the candidates to the Catalan Parliament, expressing the need to obtain recognition of the Catalan language and culture at UNESCO and underlining the part

played by the UNESCO Centre of Catalonia in this respect.

On the occasion of the war in Iraq, the Andorra National Commission for UNESCO and the UNESCO Centre of Catalonia produced the bookmarker 'Cultivate peace', which was distributed amongst the various Catalan UNESCO networks.

On 28 and 29 June, convened by the World Federation of UNESCO Associations, Centres and Clubs, a second meeting was held in Koksijde, Flanders, of the ad hoc committee in charge of establishing the characteristics required of the UNESCO centres and deciding which centres can at present be considered 'internationally recognised UNESCO centres'. Onno Seroo attended as member of this ad hoc committee. Taking part in the meeting were Jean Pierre Dehouck, treasurer of the WFUCA and President of the UNESCO Centre of Flanders, Mamadou Diarra, Vice-President for Africa of the WFUCA, Ketty Tzizikosta, President of the UNESCO Centre for Women and Peace of the Balkan Countries, Thessalonika, Onno Seroo, in charge of International Relations at the UNESCO Centre of Catalonia, Janusz Symonides, former Director of the Division of Human Rights of UNESCO, Yuji Suzuki, former President of the WFUCA. Taking part as observers were Paul Ortega, Chairman of the WFUCA, Hans van der Lee, Director of the UNESCO Centre of the Netherlands, Mary-Louise Kearney, Director of the Division of Relations with National Commissions of UNESCO. The committee recognised as internationally recognised UNESCO centres, as well as the UNESCO Centre of Catalonia, the UNESCO Centres of the Basque Country, Flanders, Florence, the Netherlands, Troyes, Andalusia, Montevideo, Turin and Thessalonika. On 7 October an informal meeting took place in the UNESCO headquarters in Paris of the internationally recognised UNESCO centres. Taking part in this meeting were Raimon Ribera and Onno Seroo of the UNESCO Centre of Catalonia, Maria Luisa Stringa of the UNESCO Centre of Florence, Marino Bultinck and Jean-Pierre Dehouck

of the UNESCO Centre of Flanders, Paul Ortega of the UNESCO Centre of the Basque Country, Hans van der Lee of the UNESCO Centre of the Netherlands, Bernard Maincent and Michel That of the Louis François Centre for UNESCO in Troyes and Ketty Tzizikosta of the UNESCO Centre for Women and Peace of the Balkan Countries.

The UNESCO Centre of Catalonia is a member of the Global Alliance in favour of Cultural Diversity, an initiative by the Division of Culture of UNESCO. On 2 February a conference was held in Paris in support for development of the cultural industries, during

the course of which the list of members of the Global Alliance was made public.

On 15 and 16 December Raimon Ribera attended a meeting in Paris convened by the Division of Relations with National Commissions and New Partnerships to study the present state of the UNESCO association and club movement.

Raimon Ribera took part in the International Conference of organisations with official relations with UNESCO, convened by UNESCO and held in Paris from 17 to 19 December.

UNESCO GENERAL CONFERENCE

The UNESCO Director-General invited the UNESCO Centre of Catalonia, as on previous occasions, to take part in the UNESCO General Conference held in Paris from 29 September to 17 October. Taking part on behalf of the Centre were the following: Miquel Martí, Daniel Mundet and Sergi Rovira, from 29 September to 3 October; Marie-Amélie Ponce, from 4 October to 12 October; Onno Seroo, from 5 October to 13 October; and Raimon Ribera, from 6 October to 12 October. Also taking part were Laia Corral, from the Catalan Federation of UNESCO Associations and Clubs, and Salua Aouaji Garbi, from the Interculture Association.

In addition, Raimon Ribera formed part of the list of the Spanish delegation taking part in the General Conference.

During his stay in Paris, Raimon Ribera held talks with various UNESCO officials: Michiko Tanaka, from the Publications Service of the Public Information Office; Maria Helena Enriques Mueller, Youth Section official; with Carmen Piñán, of the Division of Higher Education of the Education Section and responsible for the UNESCO university chairs; with Hilary Wiesner, of the Office of the Director-General; Mercedes Ruiz Molero, of the Division of Relations with Member States; Eduardo Cifuentes, Director of the Division of Human Rights and Fight against Discrimination; Francisco Villar, Spanish Permanent Ambassador Delegate to UNESCO; Lluís Ramallo, Chairman of the Spanish Commission for Cooperation with UNESCO, and Pío Rodríguez and Jaime Rodríguez Ponga, of the Spanish Permanent Delegation to UNESCO.

During her stay at the UNESCO General Conference, Amélie Ponce had talks with the following people: Carol Holmey, Jean-Luc Chane Won In and Hilary Wiesner, of the Office of the Director-General; Linda King, Noro Fall and Marta Encinas, of the Section of Education in Universal Values, responsible for linguistic issues in the Education Sector; Stamenka Uvalic-Trumbic, of the Division of Higher Education; Mary Joy Pigozzi, Director of the Division for the Promotion of Quality Education; Delfina Taboada, of the International Fund for the Promotion of Culture; Ana-Maria Majlőf, Officer in Charge, Section for Women and Gender Equality;

Jérôme Bindé, Director of the Division of Futures Studies, Philosophy and Social and Human Sciences; Gustavo López Ospina, Director of the UNESCO Office in Quito and of the Regional Office for Communication and Information; Carmen Piñán and Maria-Elena Henriques Mueller.

During the course of his trip to the General Conference, Onno Seroo had talks with the following UNESCO officials: Carol Holmey and Hilary Wiesner, of the Office of the Director-General, Mary-Louise Kearney, Mirta Lourenço, Phillipe Muller and Jennifer Blinker, of the Sector of Exterior Relations and Cooperation; Jean Yves Lesauz, René Zapata and Maria Helena Henriques Mueller, from the Planning Office; Jérôme Bindé; Eduardo Cifuentes, Director of the Division of Human Rights and Struggle Against Discrimination; Vladimir Volodin, Chief of the Section on Human Rights and Development, Yvonne Donders and Annali Kristiansen, of the Section of Human Rights and Development; Guiomar Alonso, Programme Specialist Cultural of the Enterprise and Copyright Section of the Culture Sector; Fernando Brugman, of the UNESCO World Heritage Centre; Francisco Lacayo Parajon, UNESCO representative in Cuba, Director of UNESCO/ORCALC, Georges Malempré, Director of the UNESCO Office in Geneva.

Onno Seroo also had contacts with members of various national commissions for relations with UNESCO: Liedeke van Vught Thijssen, Chairman of the Netherlands Commission; Herald Voorneveld, Permanent Representative of the Netherlands to UNESCO, Els Jacobs, General Secretary of the Dutch Commission, Traugott Schöffthaler, Secretary-General of the German Commission; Folkert Precht, of the German Commission; Janine d'Artois, of the French Commission; Mohammed Bedjaoui, of the Algerian Permanent Delegation to UNESCO; Joan Miquel Armengol, Secretary-General of the Andorran Commission; Lluís Ramallo, Francisco Villar, Pio Rodríguez and Jaime Rodríguez Ponga, of the Spanish Commission; Daniela Popescu and George Petrescu, members of the Romanian Delegation to UNESCO.

Miquel Martí had talks with several UNESCO officials: Elisabeth Khawajkie, International Coordinator of the UNESCO Associated Schools Plan; Sigrid Niedermayer, Assistant International Coordinator of the UNESCO Associated Schools Plan; Vesna Vujicic-Lugassy, of the UNESCO World Heritage Centre; and Alexandra Sauvergrain, of the project 'The Heritage in the Hands of Young People'.

Sergi Rovira and Daniel Mundet met with the following people: Malika Ladjali, Flora del Hierro, Noro Andriamiseza, Marta Encinas, Linda King, Maria Elena Enriques Mueller, Lluís Claret and Beatriz González Gálvez of the UNESCO Sector for Education, on 30 September; Aurora Salines and Dulat Kasymov, of the Office for Strategic Planning, Youth Section, on 1 October; Dimitri Koundiouba, of the Culture Sector, on 1 October; Gustavo López Ospina, of the UNESCO Regional Office in Quito, on 1 October; Fernando Burgman, of the UNESCO World Heritage Centre, on 2 October; Doyun Lee and Anastasia Monjas, of the Culture Sector, and Myriam Karela, of the Education Sector, on 2 October; Amélie Teiressenc, representative of the World Organisation of the Scout Movement at UNESCO, on 2 October. They also met with Daniel Puig and Robert Bisset, of the UNEPTie Office, Division of Technology, Industry and Economics.

On 7 October the presentation of the Universal Forum of Cultures Barcelona 2004 took place at the UNESCO headquarters. Chairing the presentation were Koichiro Matsuura, UNESCO Director-General, Francisco Villar, Permanent Ambassador Delegate to UNESCO for Spain, and Joan Clos, Mayor of Barcelona. Raimon Ribera, Marie Amélie Ponce and Onno Seroo attended the presentation.

UNESCO Associations and Clubs

The UNESCO Centre of Catalonia provides support and technical facilities for the Catalan Federation of UNESCO Associations and Clubs, of which it is a member.

The board of directors of the federation met on 26 April in Manresa; on 12 July in Igualada, with ample coverage of the meeting and an interview with Albert Martí in *La Veu de l'Ancià* on 16 July; on 17 October in Barcelona; on 22 November in Girona. On 6 May there was a special meeting of the board of directors of the federation.

The members of the Board of Directors of the Catalan Federation of UNESCO Associations and Clubs, until the assembly on 5 April, were as follows: Félix Martí, honorary chairman; Albert Martí, chairman; Joan Obradors, vice-chairman; Montserrat Farré, general secretary; Montserrat Rumbau, assistant general secretary; Francesc Rovira, information secretary; Àngel Tierz, treasurer; Miquel Martí, Montserrat Pumarola and Onno Seroo.

The general assembly of the federation took place on 5 and 6 April in Alaior. During the course of the assembly the posts were renewed. The new board of directors was made up as follows: Félix Martí, honorary president; Albert Martí, president; Joan Obradors, vice-president; Montserrat Farré, general secretary; Núria Ventosa, assistant general secretary; Jordi de Cambra, information secretary; Àngel Tierz, treasurer; Rosa Maria Falgàs, Àlex Gelonch and Onno Seroo. On the occasion of the assembly. The annual report for the year 2002 was distributed. Those attending made a public declaration in favour of peace. Report in the newspaper *Menorca* on 6 April.

On 15 February a meeting was held in Barcelona to prepare the First Meeting for the Training of Young People of the Catalan Federation of UNESCO Associations and Clubs. Taking part in this preparatory meeting were representatives from the following UNESCO Clubs: Valldoreix Sant Cugat, El Prat de Llobregat and Manresa. Also taking part were Sergi Rovira, on behalf of the UNESCO Centre of Catalonia, and Álvaro Martínez, of the UNESCO Centre of

MEMBER ORGANISATIONS OF THE CATALAN FEDERATION OF UNESCO ASSOCIATIONS AND CLUBS

Friends of Tossa-Club UNESCO; Manresa Association of Friends of UNESCO; Palafrugell Association of Friends of UNESCO; Horta Picasso Centre-UNESCO Association; Valldoreix and Sant Cugat Association of Friends of UNESCO; Prat de Llobregat Association of Friends of UNESCO; Igualada UNESCO Association; Cadaqués UNESCO Association; UNESCO Association for Inter-Religious Dialogue; UNESCO Association of La Garriga Contrapunt Study Centre; Alcoi Friends of UNESCO Club; Barcelona Friends of UNESCO Club; Girona Friends of UNESCO Club; Demall Group-UNESCO Club; Alaior Third Millennium Forum, UNESCO Association; UNESCO Centre of Catalonia.

The following are associate members of the federation: UNESCO Centre of the Basque Country, Federation of Immigrant Collectives in Catalonia; UNESCO Club of the City of Porto, Portugal.

Montevideo. The First Meeting for the Training of Young People was held in Sant Cugat del Vallès on 19 March. The Federation's Second Meeting for the Training of Young People was held on 25 October in Manresa and was devoted to 'Inter-religious dialogue in intercultural contact: cooperation and inter-religious dialogue'.

The UNESCO Association of La Garriga, along with the firm of La Doma SA and La Garriga Town Council, set up the Martin the Humane Foundation, which will provide third level university studies. The UNESCO Centre of Catalonia is one of the collaborating bodies of the postgraduate courses in participative democracy and education organised by the foundation. The official presentation of the foundation took place on 3 April in La Garriga, with the participation of Raimon Ribera, Director of the UNESCO Centre of Catalonia. Reported on the portal vilaweb.com

on 4 April. Santiago Cucurella, officer in charge of the foundation, published the article 'La Garriga, a town of learning', in the newspaper *Avui* 5 April. Fèlix Martí gave the foundation's inaugural lecture on 23 April. Report in *El 9 Nou* on 20 and 25 April and 2 May.

The UNESCO Centre of Catalonia supported this year's Artistic and Literary Contest organised by the Friends of UNESCO Club in Girona.

Albert Martí and Laia Corral attended a European meeting of young people in Paris from 5 to 8 December, organised by the French Federation of UNESCO Clubs. On 17 and 19 December Albert Martí and Laia Corral took part in Paris in the international conference of organisations having official relations with UNESCO.

YOUTH NETWORK FOR PEACE-BUILDING

The World Federation of UNESCO Clubs and Associations asked the Catalan Federation of Associations and Clubs to coordinate the Youth Network for Peace-Building. Laia Corral is the coordinator of this network. The objectives of the network are:

- To maintain a network of relations between young people from all over the world who are working for peace and the non-violent resolution of conflicts.
- Gather and make known initiatives for building peace and democracy that could be of particular interest to young people.
- Coordinate the training of young promoters of UNESCO associations and clubs from areas in conflict or where the Universal Declaration of Human Rights is being violated.
- Encourage exchanges to further understanding of the world's different cultures and traditions.
- Publicise the activities of the members of the network.
- Further the use of new technologies amongst young people, as a tool for stimulating mutual understanding, respect and tolerance.
- Provide training facilities for specific needs for members of the network.
- Organise meetings for training in conflict transformation, the construction of democracy and respect for human rights.

The Youth Network for Peace-Building is made up of the following bodies: Armenian Association of UNESCO

Associations and Clubs, Manresa Association of Friends of UNESCO, Beit-Hagafen (Israel), Andorran Culture Centre, UNESCO Asian and Pacific Cultural Centre (Japan), UNESCO Centre of Catalonia, UNESCO Centre of the Basque Country, UNESCO Centre of Macau, UNESCO Centre of Montevideo, UNESCO Centre for Women and Peace in the Balkan Countries (Greece), Alcoi Friends of UNESCO Club, Barcelona Friends of UNESCO Club, Alumnus Club UNESCO (Romania), La Molina Ecofétil Club (Peru), UNESCO Club of the University of Culture of the State of Belarus, Zagreb UNESCO Club (Croatia), Anna Smidt School (Germany), Vetraz Club of the Belarusian Association of UNESCO Clubs (Belarus), Romanian National Commission for UNESCO, UNESCO Youth Committee (Costa Rica), Coordinated Mali UNESCO Clubs, Cameroonian Federation of UNESCO Associations, Centres and Clubs, Catalan Federation of UNESCO Associations, Centres and Clubs, Haitian Federation of UNESCO Associations and Clubs, Burundi National Federation of UNESCO Associations and Clubs, Nepalese Federation of UNESCO Associations and Clubs, Lebanese Foundation for Civil Peace (Lebanon), René Moewad Foundation (Lebanon), Inter-Faith Youth Core (India), North Epirus National Youth (Greece), OYDP (Algeria), Flanders UNESCO Platform, Palestinian Youth Cultural Centre, Teen Alert International (Trinidad and Tobago), State University of Languages and Cultures of Tbilisi (Georgia).

The UNESCO Centre of Catalonia administers and maintains the web site of the Youth Network for Peace (<http://www.unescocat.org/youthnetwork/index.html>).

On behalf of the Youth Network, Laia Corral took part in Bilbao from 19 to 21 March in the International Congress on Youth Policies, organised by the Basque Country with the collaboration of UNESCO.

Report on the Youth Network in the June issue of *El butlletí* of the Federation of Internationally Recognised Catalan Organisations.

The Catalan Federation of UNESCO Associations and Clubs, with the collaboration of the UNESCO Centre of Catalonia, organised an international meeting of the World Youth Network from 9 to 16 November in Manresa. Sergi Rovira and Sara Batet collaborated in the organisation of the meeting. Taking part were young people from Uruguay, Argentina, Chile, Paraguay, Costa Rica, Mexico, Portugal, the Basque Country, Catalonia, Belgium, Poland, Crimea, Ukraine, Croatia, Greece, Lebanon, Palestine, Israel, Nepal, Uganda, Nigeria, Mali and Senegal.

Number 1 of *News YouthNetwork*, the digital bulletin of the Youth Network for Peace-Building, appeared in December.

UNESCO Associated Libraries

The UNESCO Centre of Catalonia, through Àlex Cosials and Susanna Martí, provides technical coordination support for the Group of Catalan Libraries Associated to UNESCO. In the course of the year, Àlex Cosials visited several libraries: Biblioteca Centre and Can Peixauet Library in Santa Coloma de Gramenet on 28 March, District 2 Library in Terrassa on 3 April, Antoni Martín Library in El Prat del Llobregat on 29 July.

Officials from Catalan libraries met on 21 January, 11 March, 6 May, 17 June and 16 September at the premises of the UNESCO Centre of Catalonia and on 18 November in Terrassa. At the meeting of 17 June, group membership of the District 2 Library in Terrassa

was approved. A commission was set up to prepare a reading guide for the handicapped, which met at the Centre's premises on 10 June, 8 July and 4 September.

The Group of Catalan Libraries Associated to UNESCO dedicated the month of January to the furtherance of respect for human rights, non-violence, peace, solidarity and tolerance. This initiative concentrated mainly on several events which took place on 30 January, the anniversary of Gandhi's death, when the Schools' Day for Non-Violence and Peace is held. This year, to mark the occasion, the libraries group published and distributed a bookmarker.

GROUP OF CATALAN LIBRARIES ASSOCIATED TO UNESCO

Biblioteca Can Casacuberta (Badalona)
 Biblioteca Can Manent (Premià de Mar)
 Biblioteca Central Comarcal (Tàrrrega)
 Biblioteca Comarcal Josep Finestres (Cervera)
 Biblioteca d'en Massagran (Salt)
 Biblioteca Districte 2 (Terrassa)
 Biblioteca Infantil i Juvenil Can Butjosa (Parets del Vallès)
 Biblioteca Jaume Vicens Vives (Roses)
 Biblioteca Jaume Vila Pascual (Gelida)
 Biblioteca Central Joan N. Garcia Nieto (Cornellà)
 Biblioteca Joan Oliva i Milà (Vilanova i la Geltrú)
 Biblioteca Mestre Martí Tauler (Rubí)
 Biblioteca (Palafrugell)
 Biblioteca Popular Santa Oliva (Olesa de Montserrat)
 Biblioteca Pública Casa Nova (Segur de Calafell)
 Biblioteca Municipal (Binissalem)
 Biblioteca Pública Municipal (Salou)
 Biblioteca Pública Ventura Gassol (Calafell)
 Biblioteca Sant Pau i Santa Creu (Barcelona)

The Group of Catalan Libraries Associated to UNESCO ensures that its members put the accent on studying and working on the following points: peace promotion and international understanding, as well as awareness of the main problems facing the planet; furtherance of intercultural dialogue through the promotion of initiatives in this direction and by making known minority cultures; respect for the surroundings, in human and social aspects as well as ecological aspects, so as to encourage sustainable human development taking future generations into account; promotion of UNESCO publications, especially those considered suitable for library users; special attention to ensure the library's collections reflect the ideals mentioned.

The main activities carried out in the framework of the libraries group are: celebration of 'days', 'years' and other international commemorations proclaimed by the United Nations; following of popular and traditional festivities with the intention of helping to bring local culture closer; projects to encourage reading, aimed at disadvantaged groups; presentation of UNESCO books and documents; preparation of reading guides to orientate and provide starting points on different subjects; organisation, preparation and publicity of exhibitions; telling stories that further the values of peace, respect and human rights; organisation of debates, talks and round tables to arouse a critical and constructive spirit in the face of the great international challenges; organisation of workshops to arrive at shared reading; promotion and creation of settings for exchange and reflection with other professionals for sharing experiences and initiatives on the role of the public library.

In the course of the year, and especially on 5 June, World Environment Day, the Group of Catalan Libraries Associated to UNESCO put the emphasis on spreading the 16 points contained in the Earth Charter, a set of principles for creating a sustainable global society based on respect for nature, universal

human rights, economic justice and the culture of peace.

The Group of Catalan Libraries Associated to UNESCO, with the coordination of the UNESCO Centre of Catalonia, promoted the preparation of the three-monthly information bulletin *Entrellat* intended as a tool for communication between professionals in public libraries to further the channels for exchange and reflection. The publication is supported by the General Directorate of Cultural Heritage of the Generalitat de Catalunya and the Libraries Service of Barcelona Provincial Corporation. The editorial board of the magazine *Entrellat* is made up of the following people: Ariana Ruiz, Susanna Martí, Roser Ginesta, Carme Fenoll, Mercè Escardó and Àlex Cosials. The editorial board met on 10 January, 11 April and 23 May. The first issue of the bulletin came out in April/June. There was information on the portal *entitats-info* on 3 July; in number 137 of the magazine *Educación y biblioteca* in September/October; there was also information in the May-August number of *Revista d'Arxius i Biblioteques Compactus* and the September/October number of the magazine *Correo Bibliotecario*. The first issue was presented at the Official College of Librarians and Documentalists of Catalonia on 15 September; taking part were Carme Dastis, head of the Joan Oliva Library in Vilanova i la Geltrú, Assumpta Bailac, head of the Library Services of Barcelona Provincial Corporation, and Raimon Ribera, Director of the UNESCO Centre of Catalonia. The second issue of the bulletin *Entrellat* was published in November; there was information on the portal *entitats.info* on 17 November and the portal *docuweb5.com* on 8 December.

In October, the Centre published the book *Les biblioteques públiques: espais d'integració social* which contains the text of the talks given at the interprofessional meetings organised by the Group of Catalan Libraries Associated to UNESCO in Salt on 15 and 16 March 2002. The publication was

distributed free of charge in libraries in Catalonia, Andorra, Valencia and Balearics.

On 10 July, Àlex Cosials took part in Vilanova i la Geltrú in a meeting of the commission in charge of carrying out the project 'Travelling suitcases'.

The Group has promoted the preparation of a reading guide on disabilities, on the occasion of the International Handicapped People's Year. The members of the group met on 30 September to prepare the contents of the guide.

UNESCO University Chairs

Raimon Ribera is a member of the Managing Commission of the UNESCO Chair on Sustainable Human Development: Equity, Participation and Intercultural Education, at the University of Girona. The director of the centre substituted for Fèlix Martí, who on 15 May resigned his membership in view of his having also left the centre. Raimon Ribera attended the meeting of the commission, which was held in Girona on 11 December.

Raimon Ribera had talks with various officials from the UNESCO Chairs: Manuel Parés Maicas, of the UNESCO Chair in Communication at the Autonomous University of Bellaterra, on 22 May; Vicenç Fisas, in charge of the UNESCO Chair on Peace and Human Rights at the Autonomous University of Barcelona, also on 22 May; with Jordi de Cambra, of the UNESCO Chair in Sustainable Human Development: Equity, Participation and Intercultural Education, at the University of Girona, on 12 July.

Miquel Martí is a member of the advisory council for the UNESCO Chair on Languages and Education of the Institute of Catalan Studies. The council met on 17 February. On 12 February, Fèlix Martí, Marie Amélie Ponce and Josep Cru had talks with Joan Argenter, the chair official.

On 5 March, Manuel Parés Maicas and Mercè Diez, of the Chair in Communication at the Autonomous University of Barcelona, along with Tomas Trufte, this year's associate lecturer, visited the UNESCO Centre of Catalonia. Artur Bladé, advisor to the General Directorate of Universities of the Generalitat de Catalunya, also attended the meeting.

On 20 February there was a meeting at the premises of the UNESCO Centre of Catalonia to study the possibility of setting up a university chair in cultural

AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE UNESCO CENTRE AND THE UNIVERSITIES DEPARTMENT

On 30 July Raimon Ribera, on behalf of the UNESCO Centre of Catalonia, and Andreu Mas-Collell, on behalf of the Department of Universities, Research and Information Society of the Generalitat de Catalunya, signed an agreement to promote and coordinate the activities of the Catalan UNESCO university chairs. There was information on the portal *entitats.info* on 30 July.

diversity and inter-religious dialogue. Taking part were Ignasi Boada, Marià Corbí, Rafa Crespo, Marc Dueñas, Fèlix Martí, Raimon Ribera and Francesc Torradeflot. On 13 March, Raimon Ribera, Francesc Torradeflot and Ignasi Boada had talks with David Serrat, rector of the University of Vic, with a view to studying the possibilities that this university could house the UNESCO chair in inter-religious dialogue.

During the year, various steps were taken towards setting up and putting into operation the UNESCO Chair in Mediterranean Multiculturalism at the Rovira i Virgili University.

On 25 November, there was a meeting of officials of the UNESCO chairs in Catalonia at the premises of the UNESCO Centre of Catalonia, convened by the director of the Centre. The meeting agreed to set up a Catalan Coordinating Body for the UNESCO University Chairs and a provisional committee was constituted, made up of Joan Argenter, Jordi de Cambra, Enric Carrera, Mercè Diez, Rosa Nomen, Enric Socías and Ramon Sans.

UNESCO UNIVERSITY CHAIRS IN CATALONIA

At the Polytechnic University of Catalonia

UNESCO Chair in Numerical Methods in Engineering (Eugenio Oñate and Enric Socias).

UNESCO Chair in Technology, Sustainable Development, Imbalances and Global Change (Enric Carrera).

UNESCO Chair in University Management (Josefina Auladell and Jacqueline Glarner).

Pere Duran i Farell UNESCO Chair in Technology and Culture (Elio Piñón).

UNESCO Chair in Vision and Development (Laura Guisasola and Anna Rius).

At the Autonomous University of Barcelona

UNESCO Chair in Communication (Manuel Parés Maicas and Mercè Díez).

UNESCO Chair in Peace and Human Rights (Vicenç Fisas).

At the University of Barcelona

UNESCO Chair in Environment and Durable Development (Joandomènec Ros).

UNESCO Chair in Women, Development and Culture, jointly with the University of Vic (Àngels Carabí and Marta Segarra).

At the Open University of Catalonia

UNESCO Chair in the Application of Information Technologies in Education, e-learning (Josep Maria Duart).

At the Pompeu Fabra University

UNESCO Chair in Ibero-American Culture (Josep M. Micó).

UNESCO Chair in Intercultural Studies (Paco Fernandez Buey).

At the University of Girona

UNESCO Chair in Cultural Policies and Cooperation (Alfons Martinell).

UNESCO Chair in Sustainable Human Development: Equity, Participation and Intercultural Education (Jordi de Cambra).

At the University of Vic

UNESCO Chair in Women, Development and Cultures, jointly with the University of Barcelona (Francesca Bartrina and Isabel Carrillo).

At the Institute of Catalan Studies

UNESCO Chair in Languages and Education (Joan Argenter).

At the Ramon Llull University

UNESCO Chair in Education Development, Technology and Funding Systems in Latin America (Esther Giménez-Salinas and Rosa Nomen).

In the rest of the Catalan cultural sphere there are also the following UNESCO chairs:

'Sa Nostra' UNESCO Chair in Business Management and Environment, at the University of the Balearic Isles.

UNESCO Chair in Copyright, at the University of Alacant.

UNESCO Chair in the Philosophy of Peace, at the Jaume I University in Castelló.

UNESCO Chair in Development Studies, at the University of Valencia.

UNESCO Associated Schools

The UNESCO Centre of Catalonia coordinates and gives technical advice to the Catalan network of schools associated to UNESCO. At the same time, the Centre promotes the affiliation of new schools to the network. Amparo Vázquez is the coordinator of the Catalan network of associated schools. The meet-

ings for coordination took place on 7 January, 2 March, 28 May and 10 September. The general assemblies of the associated schools in Catalonia took place on 2 June and 9 October in Barcelona.

CATALAN SCHOOLS ASSOCIATED TO UNESCO

In Barcelona: Betània-Patmos School, Joan Pelegrí School, Mercè Rodoreda Primary School, Octavio Paz Primary School, Turó del Cargol Primary School, El Niu Primary School, Virolai School, Stucum, Magnòlia Infants' School, Sant Ignasi School, Mafalda Infants' School, CETA College of Tourism, Solc School, Joan Amades School (ONCE), Institució Montserrat School, ASPACE Therapy Centre and Dolors Montserdà Primary School; in El Baix Llobregat: Isidre Martí Primary School in Esplugues de Llobregat, Francesc Ferrer i Guàrdia Secondary School in Sant Joan Despí, and CRP Baix Llobregat VIII in Esplugues de Llobregat; in El Barcelonès: Joan XXIII School, in L'Hospitalet de Llobregat; in El Vallès Occidental: Piarist School of Terrassa, Mare de Déu del Carme School in Terrassa, El Farell Primary School in Caldes de Montbui, Blanxart Secondary School in Terrassa, Matadepera Secondary School and Bellaterra Primary School; in El Vallès Oriental: Els Pinetons Primary School in La Garriga; in El Maresme: Maremar Secondary School in El Masnou, Marinada-Salvador Espriu Primary School in El Masnou, El Dofi Primary School in Premià de Mar, Cristòfol Ferrer Secondary School in Premià de Mar, Piarist School of Calella, Sant Feliu School in Cabrera de Mar and Piarist School of Mataró; in L'Anoia: Piarist School of Igualada; in La Selva: Ignasi Melé i Farré Primary School in Tossa de Mar, Sant Salvador d'Horta Primary School in Santa Coloma de Farners, Santa Coloma Secondary School in Santa Coloma de Farners; in Girona (city): Annexa Joan Puigvert Primary School, Montfalgars Primary School, Santiago Sobrequés Secondary School, Vicens Vives Secondary School, Migdia Primary School; in L'Alt Empordà: Empordà School in de Roses, Els Estanys del Parc dels Aiguamolls School (Castelló d'Empúries); in Tarragona (city): Campclar Primary School; in Lleida (city): Joc de la Bola Primary School, Pràctiques II Primary School; in La Noguera: Piarist School of Balaguer; in El Solsonès: Solsonès Rural Education Zone (with the Llobera, Cambrils d'Odèn i Lladurs, la Coma, Vanés, Ardèvol, Ogern, Sant Climent, Freixenet de Riner and Tuixent schools); in La Garrotxa: Piarist School of Olot; in Osona: La Salle School in Manlleu; in El Bergadà: Vedruna School in Berga, Sant Salvador Primary School, in Cercs; in El Garraf: Freqüències Music School in Vilanova i la Geltrú.

The Comte Guifré School in Perpinyà belongs to the French network of associated schools but takes part in the activities of the Catalan network. Similarly, the Andorra Secondary, in the Principality of Andorra, takes part in the activities of the Catalan network.

The UNESCO Centre of Catalonia publishes the information bulletin of the UNESCO Associated Schools in four languages: Castilian, Catalan, Basque and Galician. Number 23 appeared in June and was distributed electronically.

Amparo Vázquez visited several associated schools or schools interested in becoming associated and talked with officials there and gave talks to present the associated schools plan: Serra de Marina secondary school in Premià de Mar on 17 January; Joan Pelegrí school in Barcelona on 29 January; Maremar secondary school in El Masnou on 29 January; Maremar secondary school in El Masnou, Marinada-Salvador Espriu primary school in El Masnou, Cristòfol Ferrer secondary school in Premià de Mar and Santa Anna primary school in Premià de Dalt on 30 January; Virolai school on 7 February, Piarist school in Igualada on 20 February; Santa Coloma de Farners secondary school and Sant Salvador d'Horta primary school in Santa Coloma de Farners on 18 March; Montmeló secondary school on 20 March; Lluís Millet school in El Masnou on 20 March; Joan Oró secondary school in Martorell on 10 April; Marinada-Salvador Espriu school in El Masnou on 23 April; Virolai school in Barcelona and Maremar secondary school in El Masnou on 25 April; Els Pinetons school in La Garriga on 28 April; the Aspace centre in Barcelona on 2 June; Hortsavinyà rural school on 26 June; Els Aiguamolls de l'Empordà centre on 12 September; El Roser school in Sant Julià de Vilatorrada on 23 October; Marinada-Salvador Espriu school in El Masnou on 31 October; Hortsavinyà rural school on 12 December; Cristòfol Ferrer secondary school in Premià de Mar on 14 December; Vedruna Àngels del Raval school in Barcelona on 18 December; Sagrat Cor school in Barcelona on 18 December.

Miquel Martí is the state coordinator of the UNESCO associated schools. He attended the meetings of the coordinating team held in Madrid on 24 January, 25 April, 26 September. In the framework of the first meeting of the UNESCO Civic Network in Spain and

Latin America, held in Cáceres from 3 to 6 June, there was a meeting of the coordinators of the associated schools in the Spanish state.

In his capacity as coordinator of the associated school in the Spanish state, Miquel Martí met in Paris, on 10 June, with Sigrid Niedermayer, assistant coordinator of the UNESCO Associated Schools Plan; on 13 June he met with Francisco López Rupérez, Councillor for Education of the Spanish Delegation to UNESCO.

As state coordinator of the associated schools, he met with Tomás Solís, General Secretary of the Spanish Commission for UNESCO, on 24 January, 25 April and 26 September.

As state coordinator of the associated schools, Miquel Martí took part in the International Congress held in Auckland (New Zealand) from 3 to 8 August to commemorate the 50th anniversary of the UNESCO Associated School Plan.

The 16th state meeting of the UNESCO Associated Schools in the Spanish state was held in Palma de Mallorca from 2 to 6 July. During the course of the meeting, which gathered representatives from 67 associated schools, the general assembly was held. Miquel Martí presented the report on the state coordination; annual reports were also presented by the people responsible for the specific projects of Heritage, Linguapax and Atlantic. There was coverage in the magazine *Cuadernos de Pedagogía* in June. Miquel Martí met several times in Palma de Mallorca with the organisers of the meeting, on 24 February and 19 June, to prepare the meeting.

As state coordinator of the associated schools, Miquel Martí attended the events organised by the Library of Aragon in Saragossa on 14 November to commemorate the 50th anniversary of the creation of the UNESCO Associated Schools Plan. Miquel Martí gave a talk at the opening of the exhibition and the com-

memoration which took place in Saragossa from 14 to 26 November.

As state coordinator, Miquel Martí took part in Corigliano, Calabria, in the second Euro-Mediterranean Forum on Food Security, held from 9 to 11 November and organised by UNESCO, the WHO and various universities and colleges of farming and food production. In the framework of the forum, there was a meeting of the state coordinators of the associated schools of the Mediterranean countries.

As state coordinator, Miquel Martí also took part in Granada in the Andalusian commemoration on 27 and 28 November of the 50th anniversary of Spain's joining UNESCO. On the occasion of the commemoration there was a meeting of the associated schools in Andalusia. Miquel Martí took part in a round table on the UNESCO Associated Schools Plan.

As state coordinator, Miquel Martí visited several associated schools in Spain and schools likely to join: from 14 to 16 January, the Sagrat Cor, Ortega, Projectes Educatius and PMO-CAM schools in Valencia, the Vecova school in Torrent; the Pare Vitòria secondary school in Alcoi, the Waldorf school in Vilafranca and the Los Molinos school in Crevillent; on 23 January, the Micael school in Las Rozas; on 7 February, the Residència d'Estudiants, the Catering College and the Social Centre of the CAM, in Palma de Mallorca; on 29 January, he gave an informative session for the pupils at the Horitzó school in Barcelona; on 30 January, he visited the Montessori school in Santa Cruz de Tenerife; from 4 to 7 March, Miquel Martí visited the José Antonio Valenzuela primary school in La Victoria (Cordoba), the Medina Azahara secondary school in Cordoba, the Coca de la Piñera primary school in Utrera, the P. Luis Coloma secondary school in Jerez de la Frontera, the Luca de Tena secondary school in Seville, the El Remolino teaching farm in Cazalla de la Sierra, the Campo de Tejada secondary school in Paterna del Campo, and the Alixar secondary school

in Castilleja de la Cuesta; on 26 March he visited the Primero de Mayo secondary school in Madrid and the Catering College of the Padre Llanos Foundation in Vallecas; on 14 April he visited the Ezcaba school in Ansoain, the San Cernín school in Pamplona and the La Compasión school in Pamplona; on 15 April he visited the Sangotxa *ikastola* (Basque school) in Sangüesa and the San Fermín *ikastola* in Zizur; on 24 April he visited the Giner de los Ríos secondary school in Alcobendas and the Gustavo Adolfo Becquer school in Algete; from 11 to 14 May he visited the Cesáreo Alienta, Doctor Azúa, J.R. Santamaría, Sagrada Familia and Santa María del Pilar schools in Saragossa, and the San Juan de Mozarrifar, Fuentes de Ebro, Andorra de Teruel, Monreal del Campo and Ariño schools; on 16 June, the Jesús i Maria school in La Guineueta in Barcelona; on 18 June the Sant Jordi primary school in Maçanet de la Selva; on 19 June, the Es Liceu school in Pont d'Inca; on 25 September, the Carmen Martín Gaité secondary school in Navacarnero; from 27 to 29 October, he visited the associated schools in Mieres, Tineo, Avilés and Gijón (Asturias); on 30 October, he visited the Camargo associated school in Cantabria; on 5 November, the Joan Pelegrí school in Barcelona; on 17 November, the Aula de Música 7, in Barcelona; on 23 November he visited the Rural Centres for Educational Innovation in Alcorissa; on 24 November he visited the Ramón y Cajal secondary school in Albacete; on 25 November he visited the Guadelentín secondary school in Pozo Alcón; on 26 November he visited the Guadalimar school in Jaén and the Santo Reino secondary school in Torredonjimeno.

The associated schools organised numerous activities against the armed conflict in Iraq, with the slogan 'No War'. A report in the magazine *Cuadernos de Pedagogía* number 322 in March. Miquel Martí took part in an anti-war demonstration on 30 January convened by the Montessori school in Santa Cruz de Tenerife.

The UNESCO Associated Schools also organised numerous events in support of and in solidarity with Galicia, following the oil spill from the tanker *Prestige*. Reports in the magazine *Cuadernos de Pedagogía* numbers 321 in February and 322 in March. On 22 January Miquel Martí took part in a human chain of Galician schools on the Costa da Morte (Galicia), organised by the 'Nunca Mais' movement.

The activities of the associated schools plan is the framework for four specialised projects: the Linguapax Programme, coordinated by Dolors Reig; the Western Mediterranean Project, coordinated in the Catalan sphere by David Farell; the 'North-South Dialogue and Aid' Programme, coordinated by Pilar Ferràs; and the programme 'The Heritage in the Hands of Young People', coordinated by Àngel Morillas.

The Western Mediterranean Project, begun in 1992, is a project for the UNESCO Associated Schools whose specific objectives are: to further understanding of the environmental problems of the Western Mediterranean sub-region and take part in the search for solutions; collaborate actively in the preservation and defence of the natural and cultural heritage of the Mediterranean, and practise interculturalism, solidarity and cooperation between the people of the Mediterranean, so as to strengthen a culture of peace and tolerance. Taking part in the Western Mediterranean Project are schools in Spain, Andorra, France, Italy, Malta, Morocco and Tunisia. The Catalan schools taking part in this project met in Andorra on 17 and 18 May and in Torroella de Montgrí on 22 November. The 'North-South Dialogue and Aid' programme, which is restricted to the schools sphere, has the object of establishing twinning and collaboration agreements between schools in industrialised countries and schools in less developed countries. The schools taking part in these solidarity programmes met in Barcelona on 29 April and 14 October.

UNESCO and the World Heritage Centre began the programme Participation by Young People in the Preservation and Promotion of the World Heritage during the 1994-95 academic year. This is an experimental programme in which schools from the following countries take part: Croatia, Egypt, Ecuador, Spain, Greece, Hungary, India, Jamaica, Morocco, Mexico, Nepal, New Zealand, Poland, Senegal, Zaire and Zimbabwe. The aims of this project are: to promote knowledge of the World Heritage Convention through interdisciplinary educational methods; to encourage the preservation of traditional crafts necessary for the restoration and preservation of the world heritage cultural sites; to establish cooperation between the countries taking part through bilateral twinning; to formulate proposals contributing to the protection of the world heritage; to promote dialogue on the cultural and natural heritage between young people and political leaders and to make known those cultures to which the world heritage sites belong. The officials for the Catalan associated schools taking part met in Poblet on 29 March and in Santes Creus on 7 and 8 November.

The UNESCO Associated Schools Plan promoted a seminar on the teaching of religion, which brought together officials from several Catalan schools to evaluate the present state of teaching on religions in schools in Catalonia and make new proposals taking into account the growing level of multiculturalism. The group met in Barcelona on 29 January and 31 March.

Amparo Vázquez coordinated a special edition of *Guix* in May 2003 devoted to 'Peace, a challenge for education', which described the activity of various schools associated to UNESCO.

The UNESCO Associated Schools plan joined the Social Forum on Education in Catalonia and the Appeal by the Conveners on 6 November. Miquel Martí attended the meetings of the forum, which were held in Barcelona on 5 November and 10 December.

Catalan Commission of Relations with UNESCO

The Catalan Commission for Relations with UNESCO, made up of some sixty significant figures from various cultural and scientific spheres of Catalan culture, aims to favour and promote participation by the citizens of Catalonia and their cultural, educational and scientific institutions, whether public or private, in UNESCO, coordinate initiatives already under way for collaboration with UNESCO by Catalan culture and promote new forms of cooperation, and facilitate participation by state bodies in charge of official relations with UNESCO. The members of the UNESCO Centre of Catalonia who took part in the meetings of the Catalan Commission for Relations with UNESCO are: Josep Anton, Fèlix Martí, Miquel Martí, Susanna Martí, Enric Masllorens, Marie Amélie Ponce, Raimon Ribera and Onno Seroo.

The Catalan commission is currently arranged around a plenary and various working commissions: education group, culture of peace group and communication group.

The Education Group of the Catalan Commission for Relations with UNESCO is chaired by Carme Romia. The group met in Barcelona on 3 March, 5

May, 30 June, 16 September, 23 October and 18 December. On 17 January the group organised a talk by Miquel Martí and Carme Romia at the University of Alacant on the Law of Educational Quality promoted by the Spanish government. The members of the Education Group are: Joan Borja, Fabrici Caivano, Josefina Cambra, Paqui Gimeno, Antònia Hernández, Miquel Martí, Miquel Martínez, Àngel Marzo, Enric Masllorens, Mireia Montané, Salomó Marquès, Anna Piguillem, Miquel Soler Roca, Carme Romia, Maria Solés, Antoni Tort, Pierre Antoine Ullmo and Araceli Vilarrasa. In September the group drew up the text 'Educating from conflict for a quality education'.

On 9 September an informal meeting was held at the UNESCO Centre of Catalonia with members of the different UNESCO networks existing in Catalonia so as to look at the possibilities of drawing up a document explaining the ideas of the UNESCO networks in the Catalan cultural sphere. Attending were Jordi de Cambra, Laia Corral, Àlex Cosials, Montserrat Farré, Albert Martí, Miquel Martí, Susanna Martí, Raimon Ribera and Onno Seroo.

Linguapax

The Linguapax Institute is an international non government institution based in Barcelona and acting within the framework of the UNESCO Centre of Catalonia. Nevertheless, there are other bodies all over the world who also share in the Linguapax spirit: the UNESCO Centre of the Basque Country, the UNESCO Chair of Linguistic Policy and Language Teaching at the University of Mons-Hainaut (Belgium), the Department of Foreign Languages at the University of Tokyo and the UNESCO Chair in Languages and Education of the Institute of Catalan Studies, set up in February this year.

The objectives of the Linguapax Institute are: to promote information and research into linguistic policies; to advise officials responsible for linguistic policies in state or sub-state governments; to further multilingual education and perfect learning methods; to relate multilingual education and the culture of peace; to provide technical assistance to minority linguistic communities; to defend linguistic rights as individual and collective human rights; to facilitate the administration of linguistic diversity in cities with immigrants speaking several languages; to contribute to the presence of multilingualism in cyberspace; to create new mechanisms for collaboration between specialised NGOs. Miquel Siguan is the honorary president of the Linguapax Institute. The Board of Directors is made up as follows: Fèlix Martí, president; Isidor Marí and Dolors Reig, vice-presidents; Marie Amélie Ponce, director; Josep Cru, general secretary; Marc Leprêtre and Miquel Martí. The members of the board of the Linguapax Institute met on 3 April, 23 July and 20 October.

The Management Committee of the Linguapax Institute consists of Susana Cuevas, Denis Cunningham, Lachman M. Khubchandani, Luís Enrique López, Irmela Neu, Joseph Poth, Ignace

Sanwidi, György Szépe, Carles Torner and Jean Jacques Van Vasselaer. The Advisory Committee is made up of Vigdís Finnbogadóttir, as honorary president of the committee, and Serguei A. Arutiunov, Anvita Abbi, Conrad M. B. Brann, Charles Castonguay, Bernard Comrie, Jean-Claude Corbell, François Grin, Regina Jensdóttir, Björn H. Jernudd, Vida Mikhalchenko, Dónall Ó Riagáin, Jerzy Smolicz, Asher Stern and Miquel Strubell.

As chairman of the Linguapax Committee, Fèlix Martí is a member of the Committee of Honour of the Mediterranean Council of Languages of the University of Abou-Bekr Belkaid in Tlemcen (Algeria).

The Linguapax Prizes were awarded on International Mother Language Day. At this year's edition, the prize-winners were Tove Skutnabb Kangas and Aina Moll, two linguists who have stood out in the struggle in favour of the promotion of linguistic diversity and multilingual education. There was information on the Internet portal *entitats info* and *vilaweb.com* on 21 February and in the informative bulletin on the Catalan language *Infozèfir* on 24 February and in the bulletin of the FOCIR for March. The 2004 Linguapax Prizes were convened in October.

The chairman of the Linguapax Institute took part in the conference convened by UNESCO from 10 to 12 March in Paris on the situation of minority languages in danger of extinction. There was ample information in the newspaper *Deia* on 17 March. It was reported in *Tribuna catalana* on 17 March.

During the course of the year the Linguapax Institute prepared the text of eight subjects on linguistic diversity for Enciclopèdia Catalana. Each one is accompanied by a map, for the *Ales de la Diversitat*

CATALAN SCHOOLS TAKING PART IN THE LINGUAPAX PROGRAMME

Campclar primary school in Tarragona, El Dofi primary school in Premià de Mar, Els Pinetons primary school in La Garriga, Marinada-Salvador Espriu primary school in El Masnou, Empordà school in Roses, Matadepera secondary school, Betània-Patmos secondary school in Barcelona, Cristòfol Ferrer secondary school in Premià de Mar, Francesc Ferrer i Guàrdia secondary school in Sant Joan Despí, Montserrat school in Barcelona, Piarist school in Mataró, Bellaterra primary school in Cerdanyola del Vallès. The following schools also take part in the Linguapax Programme: Manuel Vidal Portela primary school in Pontevedra, Artxandape school in Bilbao, Camargo adults' school in Cantabria, Alixar secondary school in Castilleja de la Cuesta. Pupils from the Catalan primary schools working with the Linguapax Programme met in Barcelona on 14 February. Pupils from the Catalan secondary schools working with the Linguapax Programme met in Barcelona on 7 March.

which Enciclopèdia Catalana plans to publish during the first half of 2004.

The UNESCO Centre of Catalonia and the Linguapax Institute are two of the organisations promoting the constitution of the Catalan Language Observatory, promoted by the CIEMEN. This is an authoritative organisation applying serious academic criteria and acting as a technical reference in the defence of the Catalan language in the framework of national, state and international legislation. The bodies initially belonging to the Language Observatory are Òmnium Cultural, Valencian Cultural Action, Balearic Cultural Foundation, UNESCO Centre of Catalonia, Linguapax Institute, Committee for the Monitoring of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights, Platform for the Language, Congress of Catalan Culture Foundation and Jaume I Centre in Perpignan. In October the Barcelona College of Lawyers joined. The Institute of Catalan Studies supports the project. The official signing and constitution of the organisation took place on 14 May at the premises of the Institute of Catalan Studies. Raimon Ribera signed on behalf of the UNESCO Centre of Catalonia and Fèlix Martí signed on behalf of the Linguapax Institute. Fèlix Martí and Marie Amélie Ponce attended the meetings on behalf of the UNESCO Centre of Catalonia and Josep Cru attended on behalf of Linguapax. The meetings of the promoting organi-

sations took place on 10 January, 17 February and 8 April. On 14 May there was a public presentation in Barcelona of the Language Observatory. There was information on the portal *entitats.info* on 12 and 14 May and in the newspaper *Avui* on 12 May. One of this organisation's first acts was to draw up a report on the presence of Catalan in the European Charter of Regional or Minority Languages. On 5 June a committee of experts was formed to prepare the document. The committee was made up of Jaume Vernet, Santi Castellà, Antoni Mirambell, Teresa Cabré, Isidor Marí, Miquel Strubell, Joan Martí, Antoni Milian, Miquel Pueyo, Bartomeu Colom, Biel Bibiloni, Xavier Vila, Manuel Alcaraz, Joan Ramon Soler, Xavier Lamuela, Albert Branchadell, Francesc Vallverdú and Emili Boix. The meetings of the board of the Observatory were held on 29 May, 22 September, 3 November and 15 December. On 16 May the Language Observatory organised a workshop in Barcelona on the European Charter of Regional or Minority Languages. In September the Language Observatory published a report addressed to the Council of Europe denouncing the stifling of the Catalan language by the monolingual pressure from Castilian. There was ample coverage in the newspaper *Avui* on 26 September, information on the TV3 news programmes on 26 September and it was also reported on the portal *tribuna catalana.org* on 29 September.

A WORLD STUDY OF LANGUAGES

The World Study of Languages has its beginnings in the International Linguapax Seminar on Linguistic Policies held in Leioa (Basque Country) in 1996, at which the Director General of UNESCO, Federico Mayor, pointed out the need for research into the situation of the world's languages. The UNESCO General Conference in 1996 approved the project. The Basque Government signed a memorandum for agreement with UNESCO in July 1997 and undertook to finance the project. The object of the study is to make known the state of the languages of the world, showing the planet's linguistic wealth and explaining the problems affecting languages in various parts of the world. At the same time, the study makes a point of promoting awareness of the linguistic heritage, drawing attention to the evolution of this heritage and recommending measures to protect living languages.

On 17 October, Fèlix Martí, along with Itziar Idiabal of UNESCO Etxea, took part in Paris in a meeting with John Daniel, Assistant Director General for Education, Milagros del Corral, Deputy Assistant Director General for Culture, M. Longworth, Director of the Information Society Division, and Mary Joy Pigozzi, Director of the Division for the Promotion of Quality Education. During the course of the meeting, UNESCO confirmed that it would take charge of the publication of the study in four linguistic versions.

DIALOGUE ON LINGUISTIC DIVERSITY, SUSTAINABILITY AND PEACE

The Linguapax Institute began the preparation of one of the 45 Dialogues of the Universal Forum of Cultures Barcelona 2004: 'Linguistic diversity, sustainability and peace'. It is foreseen that this dialogue will take place from 20 to 23 May 2004, and at the same time is 'Linguapax X', the tenth international meeting of experts promoted by Linguapax. This is the list of previous meetings: Linguapax I, Kiev, Ukraine, 1988; Linguapax II, Sitges, 1988; Linguapax III, Saärbrucken, Germany, 1990; Linguapax IV, Barcelona, 1994; Linguapax V, Melbourne, Australia, 1995; Linguapax VI, Ougadougou, Burkina Faso, 1999; Linguapax VII, Cochabamba, Bolivia, 1999; Linguapax VIII, Kiev, Ukraine, 2000; Linguapax IX, Barcelona, 2002.

An organising committee was set up composed of the following people: Aureli Argemí, Andoni Barreña, Susana Cuevas, Denis Cunningham, Ernest Querol, Lachman Khubchandani, Luis Enrique López, Isidor Mari, Fèlix Martí, Juan Carlos Moreno, Irmela Neu, Miquel Siguan, Jean-Jacques Van Vlasselar and a representative of the Forum Barcelona 2004. The technical secretariat is made up of Josep Cru and Amélie Ponce. Fèlix Martí is director of the dialogue.

Josep Cru presented the dialogue at the public event which, under the name of 'The agora: a step forward', was organised in Barcelona by the Forum Barcelona 2004.

The Linguapax 6 seminar, officially recognised as a teacher training course by the Department of Education of the Generalitat de Catalunya, is directed at teachers of the Catalan schools applying the Linguapax Programme and is intended to improve teaching practise in the fields of foreign languages and social sciences, provide new understanding of the teaching units of the Linguapax Programme, and integrate the programme activities in the transverse axis 'Education for peace'. Dolors Reig and Miquel Martí coordinated the seminar. The sessions were held on 18 January at the home of the Institute of Catalan Studies, on 10 May in Girona, on 9 September at the premises of the UNESCO Centre of Catalonia and on 24 and 25 October at the home of the Institute of Catalan Studies.

The Centre publishes the *Butlletí Linguapax Catalunya*, which reports on the activity of the Catalan schools taking part in the Linguapax programme. Number 7 was published in February, number 8 was published in June. A review of number 7 appeared in the magazine *Cuadernos de Pedagogía* number 235, in June.

Amélie Ponce and Josep Cru prepared the teaching sheet *Linguistic diversity in the world*, in the framework of the production of teaching material for

multilingual education and with the objective of making known linguistic diversity. This sheet has been available since June in pdf format from the Linguapax Institute website.

On 7 February Amparo Vázquez directed three Linguapax workshops at the Virolai school in Barcelona.

On 8 July Miquel Martí presented the Linguapax programme at the Rosa Sensat summer school.

The Linguapax Institute supported the document 'Enough is enough: manifesto for fair and reasonable treatment', promoted by Catalonia Open Enterprise and Òmnium Cultural, on Catalonia's fiscal deficit and the economic situation in Catalonia, which was made public on 26 October.

On 24 October, in collaboration with the Institute of Catalan Studies, the Linguapax Institute organised a talk by Isidor Marí on linguistic diversity, which served to present the material for the exhibition 'Languages, endangered universes: teaching resources', especially directed at teachers working on linguistic diversity in the classroom. The event took place in Barcelona, at the home of the Institute of Catalan Studies.

Culture of peace and human rights

The UNESCO Centre of Catalonia is one of the founding organisations of the Catalan Federation of NGOs for Peace. The organisations belonging to the Catalan Federation of NGOs for Peace are as follows: Josep Vidal i Llecha Association; Association for the United Nations in Spain; Work and Documentation Centre; UNESCO Centre of Catalonia; Catalan Scouts; Peace Foundation; Information for Soldiers' Defence; Víctor Seix Polemology Institute; Justice and Peace; Sant Jordi Boy Scouts and Guides of Catalonia; Peace Movement; Civil Service International-Catalonia; Fiscal Objection Information Service; Sant Cugat del Vallès International University for Peace. The following are associate organisations with observer status: Friends of the Ark, Craftsmen for Peace, Anti-militarist Assembly of Catalonia, Study Centre for Peace and Disarmament, Peace and Truce Centre and Permanent Seminar for Education for Peace.

On 20 January there was a restricted seminar on the Northern Ireland peace process, convened by the Jaume Bofill Foundation, the Barcelona Centre for Contemporary Culture, International History Centre at the University of Barcelona and the UNESCO Centre of Catalonia. The object of the seminar was to find patterns and coincidences between the peace process in Northern Ireland and that of the Basque Country. Taking part on behalf of Northern Ireland were David Trimble, Prime Minister of Northern Ireland, Brid Rogers, leader of the SDLP, Joe Reilly, ex-general secretary of Sinn Féin, Jane Morrice, Deputy Speaker of the Northern Ireland Assembly, Alec Reid, author of the peace agreements, and Lian Kennedy, Professor of History at Queen's University. Taking part on behalf of the Basque Country were Gema Zabaleta, Josu Amezaga, Jose Luis Uriz, Teresa Toda, Marchelo Otamendi, Gorka Espiau and Joseba Igibar. Attending on behalf of Catalonia were Josep Maria Vallès, Rafael Ribó, Joan Saura, Carles Bonet, Jaume Renyer,

Carles Duarte, Jordi Porta, Narcís Serra, Joan Coscubiela, as well as the journalists Martí Anglada, Salvador Cardús, Miquel Sellarès, Pere Martí, Albert Sàez, Lluís Basset, Lluís Foix and Vicenç Villatoro. Fèlix Martí and Onno Serroo attended on behalf of the UNESCO Centre of Catalonia. Information in ~~the newspaper~~ *Avui* on 21 January and on the portal *Tribuna Catalana.org* on 20 and 21 February.

The UNESCO Centre of Catalonia, along with the Civic Forum for Dialogue, the United Nations Association, Jaume Bofill Association, Institute for Human Rights, Justice and Peace, L'Opinió Catalana and Òmnium Cultural, organised a talk by the *lehendakari* (Basque President) Juan José Ibarretxe in Barcelona on 13 February on 'A new political pact for coexistence'; Fèlix Martí, Honorary Chairman of the Centre, introduced the *lehendakari*. The convening bodies held a meeting beforehand, on 3 February, at the premises of Òmnium Cultural. During the course of his stay in Barcelona, the *lehendakari* had talks with the President of the Generalitat de Catalunya, the President of the Catalan Parliament and with representatives from the eight organisations convening the event. There was information on the portal *vilaweb.com* on 12 February, in the newspaper *Avui* on 14 February, on the Internet portal *Tribuna Catalana.org* on 14 February, an interview with the *lehendakari* in the newspaper *Avui* on 14 February, and in the newspaper *La Vanguardia* on 16 February. Information in the magazine *L'Opinió Catalana* in April.

Various organisations convened a public event on 10 March at the parish church of El Pi in Barcelona in favour of freedom of expression and against the closure of the Basque newspaper *Egunkaria*. The convening bodies were: CIEMEN, Commission for the Defence of the Rights of the Individual of the

College of Lawyers, UNESCO Centre of Catalonia, College of Journalists, Civic Forum for Dialogue, Linguapax Institute, Òmnium Cultural, L'Opinió Catalana, Institute for Human Rights, Justice and Peace, United Nations Association, Sant Jordi Boy Scouts and Guides of Catalonia, Association of Periodical Publications in Catalan, Catalan Regional Press Association and Ramon Barnils Journalists' Group. On 26 February, the organising bodies held a meeting to prepare the event; attending were Raimon Ribera and Fèlix Martí. The organising bodies issued a public manifesto to convene the event. More than two hundred organisations all over Catalonia gave their support to the manifesto. There was information in the newspaper *Avui* on 3 March, on the Internet portal *Tribuna catalana* on 6 March, in the newspapers *Avui*, *La Vanguardia* and *El País* on 11 March, on the portal *vilaweb.com* on 11 March and on the portal *OneWorld* on 12 March.

On 15 February Fèlix Martí took part in Figueres in the First Figueres Castle International Meeting for the Culture of Peace, an initiative by Nova, Centre for Social Innovation, and by the Coordinating Body of Solidarity NGOs of the Girona regions, which gathered about fifty experts from all over the world. The UNESCO Centre of Catalonia is one of the 22 organisations that gave their support to the project for converting the Castle of Sant Ferran in Figueres as a Castle for Peace. It was reported in the newspaper *El Punt* on 16 February, on *tribuna catalana.org* on 13 February, and in the newspaper *La Vanguardia* of 16 February. Ample coverage in the Figueres magazine *Empordà* on 18 February. The International Institute for Governability published the various communiqués and reports presented at the meeting on its web site <http://www.iigov.org> on 10 April.

The UNESCO Centre of Catalunya is a member of the Catalan Federation of NGOs for Human Rights. The federation held its assemblies in Barcelona on 18 March and 27 May. Onno Serro attended in representation of the UNESCO Centre of Catalonia. On

18 February there was an extended board meeting which was also attended by Onno Serro, and another on 17 September, which was attended by Daniel Mundet. Since September, Daniel Mundet has taken Onno Serro's place as representative of the Centre at the federation's assembly. On 18 November there was a special general assembly to renew the posts of president and treasurer, which was attended by Daniel Mundet.

The organisations belonging to the Catalan Federation of NGOs for Human Rights are as follows: Association of Christians for the Abolition of Torture; Amnesty International; Advice and Information on Cults; Catalan Association for the Defence of Human Rights; Catalan Association of Women in Legal Careers; Catalan Association for Solidarity and Aid to Refugees; Catalan Association for Social Security; Christian Association of Gays and Lesbians; United Nations Association in Spain; Casal Lambda; Escarré International Centre for Ethnic Minorities and Nations; UNESCO Centre of Catalonia; Churchwomen's Group; Catalan Red Cross; Observatory for the Fulfilment of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights in Economic, Social and Cultural Rights; Christianity and Justice (Lluís Espinal Foundation); Women and Prison; Ecojustice; Ficat Foundation; Pere Tarrés Foundation; Foundation for the Collective Rights of Peoples; Peace Foundation; Roda Ventura Jurists' Group; Catalan Human Rights Institute; Jurists without Borders; Justice and Peace; Peoples' Rights League; Plural 21; SOS Racism.

On 19 March the Catalan Federation of NGOs for Human Rights published a declaration on the conflict in Iraq, signed by the federated associations.

The Catalan Federation of NGOs for Human Rights published the *Anuari 2002*, which lists the activities of associations belonging to the federation and was presented in public in Barcelona at an event held on 24 March.

INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE ON CONFLICT RESOLUTION

The UNESCO Centre of Catalonia and Kreddha (International Peace Council for States, Peoples and Minorities) organised a closed-doors international conference in Sitges from 9 to 13 May on the resolution of intra-state conflicts, especially through self-determination formulas and the involvement of third parties. The international experts taking part analysed the conditions in which the resolution of different conflicts have come about and reflected on new instruments for the application of peace agreements. This conference was possible thanks to the support of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Netherlands, the Rockefeller Foundation and the Jaume Bofill Foundation. It was reported on the portal tribunacatalana.org on 12 May.

Attending were, Niek Biegan, Nato Civil Ambassador to Macedonia; Miek Boltjes, Executive Director of Kreddha North America and Kreddha Europe; Lodi Gyari, the Dalai Lama's special envoy to Washington; Denis Haughey, Member of the Northern Ireland Assembly; Mustafa Jemiloglu, President of the National Assembly of the Mejlis of the Crimean Tatars; Kuupik Kleist, member of the Parliament of Greenland and of Denmark; Gert van Maanen, President of the Executive Council of Kreddha Europe; John Momis, Governor of Bougainville; John Packer, Director of the Office of the High Commissioner on National Minorities of the Organisation for Security and Cooperation in Europe; Pau Puig, Adviser for the Secretariat of Foreign Affairs of the Generalitat de Catalunya, Raimon Ribera, Director of the UNESCO Centre of Catalonia; the Charkma Raja Devashish Roy, head of the Chakma peoples of Chittagong Hill Tracts, Bangladesh; Jordi Sánchez, Director of the Jaume Bofill Foundation; Onno Seroo, head of international relations at the UNESCO Centre of Catalonia; Geir Sjoberg, Advisor to the Norwegian Ministry of Foreign Affairs in matters of peace and reconciliation; Marian Staszewski, of the United Nations Observer Mission to Georgia; Morris Te White Love, Director of the Waitangi Tribunal of the Maori people of New Zealand; Michael Van Walt, Executive President of Kreddha International; Fernand de Varennes, Senior Lecturer at Murdoch University School of Law, Australia; Francesc Vendrell, European Union Envoy to Afghanistan.; Jens Woelk, Vice Coordinator of the European Academy of Bozen, and Catherine Cissé, of the Permanent Court of Arbitration, although not present in person, presented a communiqué.

On 9 May, those attending met at a restricted event held in the Catalan Parliament, presided by Joan Rigol, Speaker of the Catalan Parliament, and attended by representatives from the different parliamentary groups. In the course of the event, Jordi Sánchez, Director of the Jaume Bofill Foundation, gave a talk on Catalan home rule in the twenty-first century.

As a continuation of this meeting, a working group was set up to study possible forms of mutual cooperation between Bougainville and Catalonia. Forming part of the group were Pau Puig, Advisor for the Secretariat of Foreign Affairs of the Generalitat de Catalunya, Julie Flanagan, Onno Seroo and Raimon Ribera. The group met at the premises of the UNESCO Centre of Catalonia on 10 June, 10 July, 17 July and 13 November.

Police and multiculturalism

BASIC TRAINING MODULES ON POLICE AND MULTICULTURALISM

The UNESCO Centre of Catalonia has for the third consecutive year and with the collaboration of the Department of the Interior of the Generalitat de Catalunya taught some basic training modules on police and multiculturalism whose object it is to provide specific practical training in matters of cultural diversity for members of the police forces present in Catalonia, in order to improve understanding of the various cultures present in our society and offer criteria for action by police professionals. The modules were addressed to active police professionals, of all ranks, including officer ranks. The teaching staff for the modules consist of police professionals on active service and members of other collectives with first-hand experience in handling situations of cultural diversity. The study subjects included in the modules are as follows: North Africa, China, India, Pakistan, the Gypsy People, Latin America and Sub-Saharan Africa. The teachers for these modules are: Saloua l'Aouaji, Lilian Bermudez, Natàlia González, Diana Marre, Sebastià Porras, Roxana Qamer, Alfonso Salomon, Albert Tomàs, Pedro Aguilera, Rosa Negre and Eduard Sallent. They were coordinated by Daniel Mundet. The teachers for the modules met on 8 July at the premises of the Centre to assess the course.

This year the basic training modules for police and multiculturalism took place in the following towns: in Sant Adrià del Besós, on 14 February; in Tordera, on 26 and 27 February; in Mataró, on 25 March; in Valls, on 15 and 16 April; in Igualada, on 6 May; in Santa Coloma de Farners, on 10 June; in Igualada, on 9 and 10 October; in El Prat de Llobregat, on 15 October; in Santa Coloma de Gramanet, on 28 October; in La Bisbal d'Empordà, on 26 November.

EUROPEAN PROJECTS: TRANSFER, COMPAS AND DATUM

The UNESCO Centre of Catalonia has continued to develop the European projects Transfer and Compas, jointly financed by the General Directorate of Social Affairs and Work of the European Commission.

The Transfer project is led by the UNESCO Centre of Catalonia, with the collaboration of the Catalan Police Academy and is developed in coordination with the Irish, Italian and Swedish police services and with NGOs from these three countries, The UNESCO Centre of Catalonia is responsible for coordinating and managing the development of this European project, whose principal object is to prepare training material for police commands in the countries taking part. Diana Marre is the national and international assessor for the project. The Catalan committee of experts for this project is formed by Alfonso Salomon, Mercè Sala, Diana Marre, Francesc Guillèn, Llorenç Olivé, Teresa Guardans, Susi Pomares, Jaume Domingo and Rosa Negre;

Daniel Mundet is the national coordinator for the project and Silvia Cedó is the international coordinator. The international meetings for the project took place in Barcelona on 21 and 22 February; in Ireland, on 29 May and 1 June; in Sweden, on 29 and 31 August. Organisers of the experiment in Ireland visited the Centre on 12 May. The members of the Catalan delegation taking part in the Transfer international workshop in Ireland met on 12 May to prepare their contribution. The Catalan committee of experts met on 29 January, 5 February, 12 March, 30 April, 14 May, 18 June, 17 September, 16 October and 12 November. On 17 June the Catalan committee met in Girona.

Silvia Cedó presented the Transfer Project at IMSERSO in Madrid on 7 November in the framework of an informative session on the European Commission's Community Action Programme to Combat Discrimination.

The other European project in which the UNESCO Centre of Catalonia takes part as national coordinator is the Compas project, which takes its name from the initials of 'Combating and Preventing Discrimination in Police and Schools'. The project is led by the Commissioner of Foreigners' Affairs of the Berlin Senate and is made up of the following organisations: the Anti-Defamation Forum, the Alliance against Discrimination and the Brandenburg Commission for Foreigners, on behalf of Germany; the Arezzo Association for International Solidarity and Cooperation (UCODEP), Italy; the Ludwig Boltzmann Institute for Human Rights in Vienna, Austria; Radar, Holland; the Catalan Police Academy, and the UNESCO Centre of Catalonia. The aim of the project is to identify and exchange good practices existing in different European countries in the field of the struggle against discrimination on ethnic grounds in police academies and police forces. There was information on the portal *entitats.info* on 16 July. The meetings of the project's international executive committee took place in Rotterdam from 15 to 18 May and in Vienna from 27 to 30 November. Silvia Cedó, as national coordinator for the project, Lola Vallès, representing the Catalan Police Academy, and Miquel Rovira, a member of the Mossos d'Esquadra (Catalan police force), presented a model of good policing practices in Catalonia in the field of cultural diversity in Berlin, from 27 to 29 June, and subsequently in Vienna, from 9 to 12 October, at two international workshops. The Catalan group of experts for the Compas project met in Barcelona on 12 March, 9 April and 28 May. On 11 July a workshop was held at the Catalan Police Academy to present the experiences of the partner organisation in Austria. On 5 May there was a meeting of instructors at the Catalan Police Academy. On 3 Dec the experiment being carried out by the Italian partner organisation was presented in Barcelona. On 8 September in Brussels Silvia Cedó attended an informative meeting of international coordinators of projects jointly funded by the General Directorate of Social Affairs and Work of the European Commission.

On 24 March, Roberta Renzetti, of the Association for International Solidarity and Cooperation of Arezzo visited the UNESCO Centre of Catalonia, as did Lorenzo Luatti, of the same association, on 4 December.

The Compas project published an informative bulletin in German, Italian, Dutch, English, Castilian and Catalan. The first number came out in February, the second in July. There was information on the portal *entitats.info* on 16 July.

In December the UNESCO Centre of Catalonia presented the project Datum to the General Directorate of Social Affairs and Employment of the European Commission. The main objective of the Datum project is to carry out research in several European countries on the type of information about nationality, ethnic origin or religion is gathered by the police forces from complaint forms, police reports or others and how it is treated.

The UNESCO Centre of Catalonia continued its work of spreading the *Rotterdam Charter* in Catalonia and Spain.

Sustainability

The UNESCO Centre of Catalonia prepared the content and design of the ***Agenda escolar europea 2003-2004 del medi ambient i el desenvolupament*** published by the Department of the Environment of the Barcelona Provincial Corporation and the Network of Cities and Towns for Sustainability. The agenda is directed at secondary students. The Centre also prepared a ***Guia didàctica*** to go with the agenda, intended as a guide for teachers. In October the Department of the Environment of the Barcelona Provincial Corporation approved the preparation of a new ***Agenda escolar europea 2004-2005 del medi ambient i el desenvolupament*** for the academic year 2004-2005 and the preparation of a teaching guide to go with it. Taking part in the project are the Italian province of Chieti and the city of Tallinn in Estonia. Italian and Estonian versions of the agenda are also being prepared. There was information in the newspaper ***Regió7*** on 15 September and on the portal ***vilaweb.com*** on 15 September and in the magazine ***El Temps*** on 7 October.

The UNESCO Centre of Catalonia and the newspaper ***Avui*** continue the partnership begun in 2001 for the publication in the newspaper's supplement on

'Innovation and Science' of the Environmental Alert series written periodically by Lester Brown, former official of the Worldwatch Institute and now president of the Earth Policy Institute. These are up-to-date reports which the newspaper publishes on a double-page spread, offering rigorous and up-to-date information on the problems most seriously affecting the planet's environment and the quality of life of its inhabitants. During the year the following Alerts were published: on 1 February: 'La carrera de les cèl·lules de combustible'; on 8 de March, 'La sobreexplotació de les pastures'; on 5 April, 'L'augment de població ens porta a la fam de terra!'; on 10 May, "El consum mundial d'aigua, una bombolla insostenible"; on 14 June, 'Els deserts avancen, la civilització retrocedeix'; on 12 July, 'L'energia del món està en el vent'; on 4 October, 'Peixos al mar: fins quan?'; on 1 November, 'Collita insuficient'; on 6 December, 'Desinflar la bomba abans no esclati'.

In February, for the eleventh consecutive year, the Centre published ***L'Estat del món 2003*** the Catalan version of the annual report by the Worldwatch Institute on progress towards a sustainable society. The edition was produced with the collaboration of the

EARTH CHARTER

On 3 March and 4 December the members of the Catalan secretariat of the permanent committee of the Earth Charter met at the UNESCO Centre of Catalonia. The members of the Catalan secretariat are: Àngels Mataró, of the United Nations Association, Josep Xercavins, of the Secretariat of Ubuntu, Josep Puig, of Alternativa Verda, and Sergi Rovira.

On 17 and 19 October the Social Forum of Mallorca was held in Mallorca, during which a children's forum and a workshop on the Earth Charter were organised.

Caixa Sabadell Foundation and the Caixa Balears 'Sa Nostra' Cultural Foundation. On 11 March Gary Gardner, research director of the Worldwatch Institute, gave a talk in Barcelona on 'Ecological commitment and spiritual commitment: an alliance for the future' at the official public presentation of this year's edition. On 10 March, Gary Gardner presented *State of the World 2003* in Palma de Mallorca. On 12 March he met with leaders of the religious communities present in Catalonia to discuss the role of religion in the search for sustainability. On the occasion of his stay in Barcelona, Gary Gardner was interviewed by several media: *El matí de Catalunya Ràdio*, Com Ràdio, Ràdio 4, Europa Press and *Telenotícies vespre* on TV3 (Catalan Television evening news) on 11 March; *Bon Dia Catalunya* on TV3, Ràdio Sabadell and Ona Catalana on 12 March. There were interviews on the portal *One World* on 12 March, in the newspaper *El País* on 12 March, in *Món empresarial* for April, in the magazine *After the Bell* for April, in the newspaper *Avui* on 12 March, in the digital magazine *Sostenible* of the Network of Cities and Towns for Sustainability, on 27 January and 17 March. There was information on the portal *entitats.info* on 24 February and 10 March, in the newspapers *La Vanguardia*, *Diari de Barcelona* and *Diari de Mallorca* on 11 March, on the Catalan Television programme *Signes dels Temps* on 11 March. There was also information in the newspaper *Avui* on 15 March, on the portal *civitas2004* on 10 March, on the Catalan Portal for Environmental Sciences on 22 April, on the portal *One World* on 12 March, on the portal *bcn.es* on 17 March, on the 'Sa Nostra' portal *puntdigital* on 22 April, on the portal *amics21.com* on 22 April, in the electronic bulletin of the AFEC on 22 April, in the magazine *El Temps* on 8 April and 15 April, on the portal *de0a18.org* on 22 April, in the digital publication *Diari de Barcelona* on 17 March, in the digital bulletin *Otras Noticias* on the portal *bahaibalea.com* on 14 November, Jordi Miralles's article 'Silent spring' in the newspaper *La Vanguardia* on 29 March was devoted to it, review

in the magazine *llacrua* for May, review in number 6 of the magazine *Dialogal* in number 12 of the magazine *Gea*, in the July issue of *El canvi* (monthly bulletin of Citizens for Change), in the magazine *Barcelona Verda* for April. It also appeared as 'recommended book' on the portal *tribunacatalana.org* on 15 May.

The digital magazine *Sostenible* of the Network of Municipalities of the Barcelona Provincial Corporation, on 22 September, and the portal *entitats.info* on 24 December, announced the publication of *L'estat del món 2004*, foreseen for the beginning of January 2004.

The UNESCO Centre of Catalonia prepared the teaching material *Descobrir l'estat del món* (Discovering the state of the world), along the lines of the materials *Conèixer l'estat del món* (Knowing the state of the world), published in December 2000, which is intended to adapt the most significant information contained in the Worldwatch Institute's *State of the World* yearbooks for 2001, 2002 and 2003, for use by secondary students. This material is published in collaboration with the Caixa de Sabadell Foundation, the Caixa de Balears 'Sa Nostra' Foundation, the Advisory Council for Sustainable Development of the Generalitat de Catalunya and the Department of Education of the Generalitat de Catalunya. The material *Descobrir l'estat del món* contains thematic units, proposals for pupil activities and method sheets for teachers, as well as several proposals for extending or adapting the content of the thematic units. The meetings of the advisory council for the material of *Descobrir l'estat del món* took place on 20 February and 23 July. The advisory council is made up of Albert Torras Lourdes Bernat, Joan Maluquer, Teresa Franquesa, Oriol Batlle, Arnau Queralt, Joan Carles Sunyer, Bartomeu Tomàs, Montserrat Llobet. Sergi Rovira and Sara Batet also attended the meetings as authors of the teaching material. There was coverage in the newspaper *Regió7* on 15 September, on the portal *vilaweb.com*

on 15 September, in the magazine **El Temps** on 7 October, on the portal **entitats.info** on 20 October, the electronic magazine of the Network of Cities and Towns for Sustainability **sostenible** reported on it in the edition for 27 October, in number 6 of the electronic bulletin **Notícia de l'agenda 21 Escoles** in November, there was also information on the portal **oneworld.net** on 11 November, coverage in **Diàleg la revista interactiva per entendre l'actualitat** on the website **www.terricabras-filosofia.info**, coverage in the magazine **El Temps** on 2 December.

In October the ONCE (Spanish National Organisation for the Blind) Foundation published the teaching material **Conèixer l'estat del món** in a Braille version.

The UNESCO Centre of Catalonia publishes **Medi ambient anuari d'entitats catalanes 2003** a yearbook of Catalan environmental organisations in electronic format. This publication can be consulted in pdf format and covers the environmental activity undertaken by 182 Catalan organisations during the previous year. This is the fifth consecutive edition prepared by the UNESCO Centre of Catalonia. As well as complete references on each organisation, the yearbook contains (the same as other years) various opinion articles, a subject index and a directory allowing a search of 270 Catalan organisations appearing in the 2001, 2002 and 2003 editions. There was a review of the 2002 edition on the portal **entitats.info** on 9 April.

In May the Centre published **Signes vitals 2003. Les tendències que configuren el nostre futur**, the Catalan version of the Worldwatch Institute's report **Vital Signs**. The publication had the support of the Caixa Sabadell Foundation and the Caixa de Balears 'Sa Nostra' Social and Cultura Foundation. On 4 June, Michael Renner, editor of **Vital Signs** gave a talk in Barcelona on 'The relationship between natural resources and armed conflicts' on the occasion of the presentation of the work. Michael Renner was

interviewed by TV3 Bon dia Catalunya, Ràdio Sabadell, TV3 Telenotícies Migdia, Europa Press and **canalsolidario.org**. There was information on the portal **entitats.info** on 26 May, in the digital magazine of the Network of Cities and Towns for Sustainability **Sostenible** on 27 May, in **La Vanguardia** on 27 May, in the digital bulletin **Senderi** on 27 May, in number 12 of the magazine **Gea**, on the portal **Oneworld** on 5 June, in the portal **vilaweb.com/solidaritat** on 10 June, in the June issue of the FOCIR's **El butlletí**, in **El Periódico de Catalunya** on 6 July, in the magazine **Presència** on 5 September, on 25 September the portal **moutenbici.org** reproduced the chapter on bicycle production, in the magazine **El Triangle** on 20 October, on the portal **finanza-etica** on 7 November.

The UNESCO Centre of Catalonia held a personalised informative session on the environment on 1 December for various people with responsibilities in the field of public security: Conrado Fernández Justes, head of Badalona City Council's Guàrdia Urbana (local police); Joan Francesc Martínez Roma, head of Criminal Investigation of the General Directorate of Public Security of the Generalitat de Catalunya; Josep Milán Sánchez, head of the General Regional Centre of the General Directorate of Public Security of the Generalitat de Catalunya, and David Piqué, General Assistant Director of Training at the Catalan Police Academy. The theoretical information was provided by Raimon Ribera and Sergi Rovira, of the UNESCO Centre of Catalonia, and Carles Mendieta, Director of the Environmental Forum Foundation.

The UNESCO Centre of Catalonia has promoted a reflection group on sustainability and religious traditions, with the object of reflecting on the relationship between ecology, the environment, sustainability and the contributions by various religious traditions. The meetings were held on 14 July, 13 October and 17 November.

On 13 and 16 February, Sara Batet took part in the

Fifth International Ecoclubs school in Viladecans, organised by the Spanish Ecoclubs Promotion, the International Network of Ecoclubs and by Libertaria. This is a Latin-American initiative which gathers young people active in environmental activity.

Sergi Rovira took part in the international meeting on Strategies for Sustainable Development, held in Barcelona on 12 and 13 June and organised by the International Institute of Governability of Catalonia and the Advisory Council for Sustainable Development.

Sergi Rovira took part in the informative sessions organised in Barcelona on 10 June, 21 July and 18 November by the organisation European Civil Ecoforum promoted by Nabil Kabbabe. The European Civil Ecoforum organised the International Conference on Sustainable Consumption held in Barcelona on 9 October. The UNESCO Centre of Catalonia was one of the organisations collaborating in the conference.

Sergi Rovira attended the international seminar on 'Water, a source of life, a source of peace?', organised in Barcelona by the United Nations Association on 21 and 22 November.

Sergi Rovira attended the official closing of the 37th International Course in Subterranean Hydrology organised in Barcelona by the International Centre for Subterranean Hydrology Foundation and the Polytechnic University of Barcelona.

Sergi Rovira and Sara Batet took part in the process of defining, applying and monitoring the Catalan Strategy for Environmental Education in the teaching sector, which is being developed by the College of Graduates and Doctors in Philosophy, in Arts and in Sciences of Catalonia, commissioned by the Department of the Environment of the Generalitat de Catalunya. The meetings were held on 25 and 26 April.

On 29 January Sara Batet attended the Ecodiàlogo: environmental education and philosophical dialogue, organised by the IRFEF Group and held at the Sustainable Barcelona Resources Centre.

On 29 April Sara Batet attended the presentation by Joana Díaz of the book *Educació ambiental i mitjans de comunicació* at the Sustainable Barcelona Resources Centre.

On 30 May Sara Batet attended the presentation in Barcelona of the CD-ROM *Catàleg d'Espais Naturals del Litoral Català* by the Territory and Landscape Foundation and Depana.

On 4 June Sara Batet attended the presentation in Barcelona of the Catalan Federation of Ecologists. During the course of the event the 'Report on the waste situation in Catalonia' was presented, a joint production by the federation and the Civic Platform for Waste Reduction.

On 25 September Sara Batet attended a talk in Gavà by the Director of the Territory and Landscape Foundation, Jordi Sargatal, in the framework of the exhibition 'Mediterranean, territory and landscape'.

On 21 October Sara Batet attended the training session 'How to draw up a participative plan of action', organised in Barcelona by the Sustainable Barcelona Resource Centre in collaboration with the Interactive Participation Service.

Sara Batet is a member of Environmental Education Athenaeum Group, promoted by the Barcelona City Council's Catalan Society for Environmental Education. The meetings were held on 26 November and 17 December.

Sara Batet took part in the international research seminar devoted to the exchange of experiences in environmentalisation, organised by Redaces with the object of finding methods of analysis for assessing

the degree of curricular environmentalisation of higher studies in high schools in Latin America and Europe. The seminar was held at the Autonomous University of Barcelona on 21 November. Sara Batet presented a poster on the teaching material *Descobrir l'estat del món*.

The UNESCO Centre of Catalonia reached an agreement with the Bicycle Club of Catalonia for the promotion of the use of the bicycle for moving around the city. This campaign forms part of Barcelona's Agenda 21, promoted by the Department of Envi-

ronmental Education of Barcelona City Hall and the Bicycle Club of Catalonia. The other organisations taking part in the initiative are the Pere Tarrés Foundation, the Sant Andreu Palomar Residents' Association and the Sagrada Família Green Point. Since September the Bicycle Club of Catalonia has provided a bicycle for the use of staff at the Centre. Sara Batet, Laia Corral, Àlex Costals and Susanna Martí attended the training sessions on the use and mechanics of bicycles, organised on 2, 3 and 4 October by the Sustainable Barcelona Resource Centre.

ENVIRONMENTAL EDUCATION DOSSIERS

The Centre has continued to publish the environmental education dossiers *Tots* and *All of Us* in digital format. Number 43, devoted to 'Minerals and metals', appeared in July. It was reported on the portal *entitats info* on 8 July. The dossiers come out every six months and are published in English and Catalan editions. On 18 March the Centre agreed with the Environmental Information Center of North America, based in Mexico, on the publication of the Castilian version of the magazine. The dossiers can be consulted free of charge on the web sites www.tots.net (Catalan version) and www.allofus.net (English version).

The first 15 numbers of the dossiers were published in print form; as from number 16 it has been published only in electronic format. The subjects the *All of Us* environmental dossiers have analysed since number 1 are as follows: 1, Biodiversity; 2, Climate change; 3, World population; 4, Fresh water; 5, Fire; 6, Cities; 7, Desertification; 8, Renewable energies; 9, Food; 10, Seas and oceans; 11, Waste; 12, Illegal traffic in species; 13, Protected spaces; 14, Energy efficiency; 15, Responsible tourism; 16, Atmospheric contamination; 17, Islands; 18, Trade; 19, Ecodesign; 20, Economy; 21, Sustainability indicators; 22, Industry; 23, Women; 24, Agriculture; 25, Transport; 26, Natural disasters; 27, Communications; 28, Mountains; 29, Environmental democracy; 30, Organic waste; 31, Professions for sustainability; 32, Health; 33, Biological invasions; 34, Forests; 35, Environmental taxation; 36, Urban mobility; 37, New technologies; 38, Wetlands; 39, Persistent organic pollutants; 40, Groundwater; 41, Coral reefs; 42, Environmental conflicts.

The members of the editorial board for the magazine are: Xavier Duran, Teresa Franquesa, Enric Masllorens, Jordi Miralles, Jordi Portabella, Josep Puig, Miquel Rifa, Lluís Reales and Josep Xercavins.

Cultural diversity

The UNESCO Centre of Catalonia gives support to the association Interculture-Centre for Intercultural Dialogue of Catalonia, which has its headquarters in the Centre's premises. The Centre is a member of the Diverse Europe group, promoted by the Jaume Bofill Foundation and the Open University of Catalonia, along with Interculture-Centre for Intercultural Dialogue of Catalonia and the CIEMEN. The Diverse Europe project is partly funded by the European Union. As well as the UNESCO Centre of Catalonia, the Catalan Pro-Europe Board and the European Mediterranean Institute also take part in the Diverse Europe project. The Diverse Europe group began life in 2000 to promote the celebration of the Cultural Diversity and European Construction Symposium, held in Barcelona from 14 to 16 December 2000. The general meetings of Diverse Europe took place on 2 June, 14 July and 7 October, at the Jaume Bofill Foundation. On 17 and 18 January, Diverse Europe organised a meeting in Barcelona on 'Substate minorities and immigration in Europe: converging realities'. On 16 July, Diverse Europe issued the document 'Linguistic proposals for the future of Europe', as a contribution to the Convention on the Future of the European Union. This document was the result of a shared reflection on the part of the Jaume Bofill Foundation, the Colleges of Hu-

manities and Philology of the Open University of Catalonia, the European Mediterranean Institute, Interculture-Centre for Intercultural Dialogue of Catalonia, the Linguapax Institute and the UNESCO Centre of Catalonia. The document was issued in various languages.

Diverse Europe has promoted the creation of a website of resources on European cultural diversity (www.europadiversa.org), which was inaugurated in April and whose object is to create a virtual network of people and institutions all over Europe interested in learning, discussing and working together on the situation of cultural diversity in the framework of the new Europe. Josep Cru is the focal point of the section of the website which refers to the linguistic sphere. There was information on the portal *entitats info* on 16 April. The first number of the electronic bulletin *Diverse Europe* appeared in July. In June the UNESCO Centre of Catalonia, through the association Cultures of the World, promoted the creation of a website devoted to the Bubi culture, the local culture of the island of Bioko, which gives ample information on the values, cultural practices and institutions that govern the lives of the Bubis. There was information on the portal *entitats info* on 5 June.

CULTURES OF THE WORLD

Cultures of the World is an international federation of non government organisations set up in 1998 to promote cultural identities and cultural diversity in the contemporary world. Fèlix Martí is general secretary of the federation. Onno Seroo is the executive secretary, Ferran Cabrero is in charge of preparing the Cultures of the World Dossiers.

The objectives of the Cultures of the World federation are:

- To contribute to the self-esteem of cultures through the acknowledgement of each one's worth.
- To further the recognition that every culture is a part of the world heritage and develop international interest in the life of the world's cultures.
- To contribute to the development of all cultures, in accordance with their fundamental values and with the universal wish to strengthen the dignity of individuals and human communities.
- To contribute to the international projection of all cultures and help them gain access to the new communications technologies.
- To further full relations between communities belonging to the same culture but divided by political borders or by migration.
- To further intercultural dialogue as a positive contribution in the face of all forms of cultural domination or cultural discrimination.
- To contribute to the establishment all over the world of moral and legal agreements referring to cultural rights.
- To facilitate cooperation of all cultures with intergovernmental institutions, especially with the United Nations system.
- To increase cooperation and solidarity with NGOs all over the world sharing the same objectives.
- To contribute to conflict prevention, world peace and democracy through the respect for cultural identities and cultural rights.
- To contribute to more effective action against poverty, violence and ecological threats through the strengthening of all the world's cultures.

Information on Cultures of the World appeared in number 642 of the magazine *El Triangle* on 7 July.

Inter-religious dialogue

A large part of the UNESCO Centre of Catalonia's activity as regards inter-religious dialogue is channelled through the UNESCO Association for Inter-religious Dialogue, set up in 1997 on the initiative of the Centre, constituted as an independent body in 1999 and officially recognised in January 2000.

The UNESCO Association for Inter-religious Dialogue is a pluri-confessional body which gathers and mobilises almost one hundred people from various religious traditions, fundamentally Catholic, Protestant and Orthodox Christians, Sunnite and Shiite Muslims, liberal and conservative Jews, Tibetan and Zen Buddhists, Hindus, Bahaists. Amongst this network of collaborators there are committed members, official representatives and experts.

The association carries out activities to promote understanding, dialogue and cooperation between the different religious confessions present in Catalonia. Amongst the main activities are the organisation of periodical meetings of various dialogue groups of about twelve people from at least five different religions, the organisation of training in religion and in inter-religious dialogue, the publication of material related to religious pluralism, cooperation with various communication media in the treatment of religion and the organisation of inter-religious prayer meetings.

The UNESCO Association for Inter-religious Dialogue is a founding member of the United Religions Initiative, an international network of grass-roots inter-religious initiatives. The association is an affiliate member of the World Conference on Religion and Peace-Europe and collaborates with the Council for the Parliament of the World's Religions. Members of the association took part in July in the European Assembly on Religion and Peace in Graz; the asso-

ciation has a delegate in the board of governors of the World Conference on Religion and Peace-Europe. On 10 and 11 December Nathalie Reverdin took part in the meeting of 'The Soul of Europe' on Building bridges between Islam and Christianity in Europe, which took place at the European Parliament in Brussels.

In July, the UNESCO Centre of Catalonia, in collaboration with the UNESCO Association for Inter-religious Dialogue, published the inter-religious calendar for 2003-2004, which goes from September 2003 to August 2004. This year it was devoted to 'Sacred art, between an instant and eternity'. It includes the festivals of eleven religious traditions as well as the most important Catalan and international civil celebrations. There was information on the portal *entitats.info* on 21 July, on the portal *vilaweb.com* on 22 July, in the newspaper *Diari de Girona* on 23 August, in the magazine *Presència* on 31 October, in the magazine *Cuadernos de Pedagogía* number 329.

The association publishes the quarterly magazine *Dialogal* which is devoted to improving understanding of the different religious traditions present in Catalonia and the rest of the world and of secular cosmovisions. The magazine is published in collaboration with the publishers El Ciervo 96, which distributes it as a separate publication and also as a supplement of the magazine *Foc Nou* and the magazine *Saó*. The editorial committee of the magazine met at the Centre's premises on 13 January, 30 June and 22 December. The members of the editorial committee are Ramon Badia, Lluís Bernabé, Ignasi Boada, Roser Bofill, Joan Botam, Bhakti Das, Maité Cabié, Lluís Duch, Ariel Edery, Amin Egea, Joan Estruch, Joan Gómez, Joan Hernández, M. Paz López, Marta Masdeu, Xavier Melloni, Raimon

Panikkar, Raimon Ribera and Francesc Rovira. Number 5 of the magazine *Dialogal* came out in March, consisting of a central dossier devoted to the Muslim religion. There was information on the portal *entitats.info* on 24 April and in the *Bulletí del FOCIR* in March. Number 6 of the magazine *Dialogal* came out in June, devoted to 'Religions in the face of war'. There was information on the portal *entitats.info* on 26 June. Number 7, devoted to 'Religions and nationalism', appeared in October. There was information on the portal *entitats.info* on 4 November. Number 8, which included an interview with the Dalai Lama, appeared in December.

The association promoted a weekly radio programme devoted to furthering understanding of the different religious traditions and promoting inter-religious dialogue. The programme, called 'The world of faiths', began in September in the framework of Catalonia Culture. A management board for the programme was set up which met at the Centre's premises on 8 September, 6 October, 3 November and 1 December and is made up of Francesc Rosaura, Marta Masdeu, Jalil Bárcena, Vicente Merlo, Abel Camps and Francesc Torradeflot. There was information in the newspaper *El Punt* on 15 June, on the portal *entitats.info* on 20 June and 27 June, ample information in the newspaper *El Punt* on 29 June, in the newspapers *La Vanguardia*, *El Periódico* and *Diari de Girona* on 29 June, an article in the newspaper *20 minutos* on 30 June, an article 'Religions in harmony', by Josep M. Llauger, in the newspaper *Diari de Girona* on 6 July.

The UNESCO Centre of Catalonia has since 1 April, thanks to an agreement established with the Department of Civil Rights of Barcelona City Council, been in charge of the information and documentation section, library and data base of the Barcelona Inter-religious Centre. Article by Josep M. Huertas Clavería in *La Vanguardia* on 23 April.

The board of the association met on 31 March and 10 November. The assemblies of the association took place on 28 April, 8 May and 15 September.

The association promotes the creation and running of several inter-religious reflection groups, who meet periodically at the premises of the UNESCO Centre of Catalonia. The Inter-religious Dialogue Group met on 10 February, 24 March, 2 June and 6 October, and announced the 'Inter-religious declaration on laicity'. The Youth Group met on 24 February, 20 March, 3 April, 26 April, 7 May, 7 October, 24 November and 16 December, and led a prayer session held in the framework of the School of Prayer of Justice and Peace on 19 May. The Intra-Islamic Conversation Group met on 29 January, 26 February, 16 April, 28 May, 8 October and 9 December. The Inter-religious Commission on the Teaching of Religion in Schools met at the Centre on 8 May and 15 September. The Group for Reflection on Women met on 9 October, 20 November and 11 December. A commission was set up to reflect on inter-religious celebrations, which met on 5 May, 12 May and 16 June. The association organised an informative session on 26 June to promote the creation of new inter-religious dialogue groups, which met on 11 October, 15 October, 25 October, 19 November, 29 November and 10 December.

On 28 March, in partnership with Arguaia and Justice and Peace, the Association organised an inter-religious prayer session in Barcelona on 'Religions at peace for peace in the world'.

As in previous years, on 1 December the Association organised an inter-religious prayer session in Barcelona for World AIDS Day. This year's prayers centred on suffering and on how the various religions treat it and understand it. Present at the event were the Catholic, Protestant, Orthodox, Buddhist, Hindu, Jewish, Islamic, Bahaist and Brahma Kumari confessions. Also taking part in the event was the Names Project Foundation, with the tapestry in memory of

the victims of AIDS. It was reported on the portal **vilaweb.com** on 27 November.

The UNESCO Association for Inter-Religious Dialogue organises a monthly prayer session on 'Spirituality and AIDS' at the church of Santa Maria del Pi in Barcelona. This is a space for reflection, silence and meditation, with people affected by AIDS, their families and friends. This event took place on 9 January, 13 February, 13 March, 10 April, 8 May, 12 June, 10 July, 18 September, 9 October, 13 November and 11 December.

The UNESCO Association for Inter-Religious Dialogue, in collaboration with the Parish Community of El Carme, the Ibn Batuta Cultural Association, the Path of Peace Pakistani Islamic Community, the Tuluyán-San Benito Philippine Centre and the Benallar project, organised a round table on 'Woman, speak to us of your culture', on 7 March, in Barcelona. Taking part were Fátima Ahmed, Shamaila Imran, Nico Montero, Carmen Villalba and Victòria Molins. On 31 May, these communities were joined by the Ecuadorian Community of Faith and African Pentecostal Community to organise the II Intercultural Festival. On 11 December these same organisations once again, along with the Islamic Cultural Association of Catalonia and the Atid Jewish Community of Catalonia, organised an inter-religious prayer session under the heading 'Abraham, the friend of God'. The UNESCO Association for Inter-Religious Dialogue organised a course of ten sessions on 'Inter-religious dialogue' for the training programme of the Archpriestship of Anoià. Officials and collaborators of the association gave public talks on inter-religious dialogue and particular religious traditions on 21 February, 5 March, 15 March, 19 March, 30 March, 24 April, 16 September, 29 September, 6 October, 13 October and 13 November in Barcelona, Molins de Rei, Sant Boi de Llobregat, Montserrat and Terrassa. Alain Blomart led twelve workshops on inter-religious dialogue at the World Scout Jamboree held in Bangkok, Thailand, during

the first week of January. The UNESCO Association for Inter-Religious Dialogue organised or took part in round tables on various subjects related to inter-religious dialogue on 23 March, 26 March, 18 June, 4 and 5 July, 22 to 25 July, 22 September, 18 October, 25 October and 28 November in Barcelona, Guardamar del Segura, Madrid, Manresa and Sant Boi de Llobregat. Taking part as speakers in these training events and in the events related to publicising the Parliament of the World's Religions were Muhammed-Zein Al-Nehlawi, Iñaki Alonso, Sidney Azagury, Ramon Badia, Jalil Bárcena, Alain Blomart, Agustí Borrell, Montse Castellà, Joaquim Cervera, Pilar Claret, Bhakti Das, Ariel Edery, Amin Egea, Àlex Gelonch, Jaume Grau, Maribel Guerrero, Ahmed Günther, Isabel Herrera, Elisabeth Lheure, Basili Llorca, Jaume de Marcos, Félix Martí, Marta Masdeu, Xavier Melloni, Albert Moliner, Cristina Monteys, Hawwa Morales, Agustí Navarro, Romina Ostrowicz, André Porto, Nathalie Reverdin, Francesc Rovira, Abdul Wadud Sabaté, Albert Serrano, David Stoleru, Francesc Torradeflot, Lama Tsonдру.

Pilar Claret published the text 'Dialogue between cultures, peace between religions' in the 2002-2003 Latin-American Agenda. On 17 January the weekly **Presència** reported on the campaign by the UNESCO Association for Inter-Religious Dialogue directed at introducing the teaching of religious culture in schools. On 29 January various of the association's Muslim collaborators appeared in a talk show on **Els matins de Catalunya Ràdio**. On 21 February the newspaper **20 minuts** published declarations by Francesc Torradeflot. The magazine **Conscience** published an article by Àlex Gelonch on faith and AIDS. The magazine **Araguaia amb el Bisbe Casaldàliga** published information in February on the UNESCO Association for Inter-Religious Dialogue. The magazine **Triangle** gave ample coverage to the UNESCO Association for Inter-Religious Dialogue in number 652 on 6 October.

The Director of the Centre, in his capacity as member of the committee of experts, took part in Bilbao on 17 October in a preparatory meeting for the international congress on inter-religious and intercultural dialogue, devoted to 'A world that desires peace: old replies and new challenges', which it is planned will take place in Bilbao on 27 April and 1 May 2004, organised by Barandiaran Kristau Alkartea, Pax Romana ICMICA and the UNESCO Centre of the Basque Country, with the support of UNESCO. The members of the scientific committee are Edmund Chia, Doudou Diene, Rosa Maria Guerreiro, Isabella Nespoli, Gaspar Martínez, Paul Ortega, Raimon Ribera, Michel Cardon, Hans Ucko and José Luis Villacorta.

Francesc Rovira took part in the round table 'Imams and Muslim religious authorities in Europe', which took place in Barcelona on 28 January, organised by the European Mediterranean Institute and the Secretariat for Religious Affairs of the Generalitat de Catalunya.

On 28 March the UNESCO Association for Inter-Religious Dialogue organised a meeting of important

members of the Catalan Islamic community with Tariq Ramadan, to discuss the involvement of Islam in inter-religious dialogue.

The Centre gives its support to the activities of the Religious Traditions Study Centre corresponding to the 2002-2003 academic year and the 2003-2003 academic year. This study centre organised various courses on 'Traditions of wisdom', 'Recommended reading of great texts', 'A changing society', and several weekends of learning in silence, according to the paths followed by the different traditions.

The UNESCO Association for Inter-Religious Dialogue issued a press note in December on the celebration of New Year by the different cultures and religions. This was covered in the newspaper *ELPunt* on 25 December and on TV3's *Telenotícies vespre* on 28 December.

In December the UNESCO Centre of Catalonia and the UNESCO Association for Inter-Religious Dialogue prepared a teaching sheet on inter-religious dialogue.

Parliament of the World's Religions

The UNESCO Centre of Catalonia took on the local administration of the Parliament of the World's Religions, an event it is foreseen will take place in Barcelona from 7 to 13 July 2004 in the framework of the Universal Forum of Cultures Barcelona 2004. The initiative has been convened by the Council of the Parliament of the World's Religions, the Forum Barcelona 2004 and the UNESCO Centre of Catalonia.

On 4 June an agreement was signed between the Universal Forum of Cultures Barcelona 2004, the Council of the Parliament of the World's Religions and the UNESCO Centre of Catalonia to finalise and regulate the distribution of duties of the various bodies with a view to organising the Parliament in Barcelona. Reports in the newspapers *El Mundo*, *El Periódico* and *La Vanguardia* on 13 June and on the portals *entitats.info* on 11 June, *e-notícies* on 13 June and *e-notícies* on 16 June.

A linkage committee was set up between the Universal Forum of Cultures Barcelona 2004 and the UNESCO Centre of Catalonia, formed by Joan Hernández, Pedro Ralda, Raimon Ribera, Francesc Rovira and Francesc Torradeflot. The committee met on 20 February, 6 March, 6 May, 23 May, 2 June, 2 July, 17 July, 29 September, 15 October, 26 November. At the meeting on 17 July Francesca Di Brito and Nancy Rennick also took part, on behalf of the Council of the Parliament of the World's Religions. The Director of the Centre also met with other officials of the Universal Forum of Cultures Barcelona 2004: on 2 April with Jaume Pagès, councillor delegate, on 24 April with Cristina Escrigas, director of local promotion, on 25 April with Oleguer Sarsanedes, on 7 July with Eduard Menal.

The officials of the Council of the Parliament of the World's Religions visited the Centre on several occa-

sions and met with officials of the Forum Barcelona 2004: on 18, 19 and 20 January, at meeting in which Raimon Ribera, Onno Seroo, Daniel Mundet, Sergi Rovira and Ferran Cabrero took part on behalf of the UNESCO Centre of Catalonia; on 25 February with Dirk Ficca and Travis Rejman; on 26, 27 and 28 March; from 3 to 6 June; from 17 to 24 July; from 24 to 29 September; on 15 October, along with William Leshner, President of the Parliament of the World's Religions; during this visit William Leshner was interviewed by the newspaper *Avui* on 19 October and by the programme 'Els signes dels temps'. Travis Rejman also met with officials at the UNESCO Centre of Catalonia on 9 and 10 December.

On 16 January a group of possible sponsors of the Parliament of the World's Religions visited Barcelona. On 14 January the UNESCO Centre of Catalonia convened a meeting with several organisations involved in initiatives of a religious type from all over Catalonia. Taking part were the Society of Jesus, the Union of Churchpeople of Catalonia, the Iberian Commission of the Monastic Inter-Religious Dialogue, the Study Centre for Religious Traditions, the Sabadell Ecumenical Movement, the Vic Inter-Religious Group, the organisation DIDAC, Synodàlia 2003, the radio programme *Samarkanda*, religious communities from Barcelona's Raval neighbourhood, the European Group for Research and Training of Christian Teachers, the Focolars Movement and the religious service of Sant Joan de Déu-Mental Health Facilities. On 15 January the members of the delegation met with Jordi Pujol, President of the Generalitat de Catalunya, with Joan Clos, Mayor of Barcelona, with Carles Duarte, General Secretary of the Presidential Department of the Generalitat de Catalunya and with Roser Veciana, Councillor for Civil Rights of Barcelona City Council. They also met with officials from the archdioceses of Barce-

LOCAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE OF THE PARLIAMENT OF THE WORLD'S RELIGIONS BARCELONA 2004

The main object of the committee is to provide advice as to the offer in activities being held during the Parliament. It therefore has an advisory role and collaborates in the configuration of the programme. Participants are invited individually for their expert knowledge of one or more religious traditions and their practice or study of inter-religious dialogue. The committee met in Barcelona on 3 July under the presidency of Raimon Panikkar.

The local Advisory Committee is made up of the following people: Jalil Bárcena, expert in Sufi Islam; Agustí Borrell, lecturer in the Bible at the Autonomous University of Barcelona and member of the Bible Association of Catalonia; Juan Bosch, expert in Ecumenism in the Chair of the Three Religions at the University of Valencia; Joan Botam, President of the Ecumenical centre of Catalonia; Enric Capó, expert in Protestant Christianity; Pilar Claret, coordinator of the groups for reflection on inter-religious dialogue of the CEVRE-Union of Churchpeople of Catalonia; Marià Corbí, Director of the Centre for the Study of Religious Traditions; Lluís Duch, monk at Montserrat and teacher of anthropology of religion at the Autonomous University of Barcelona; Ariel Edery, expert in Judaism; Joan-Carles Elvira, monk at Montserrat and doctor in philosophy; Joan Estruch, Director of the Institute of Sociology of Religion at the Autonomous University of Barcelona; Emilio Galindo, President of the Dareq Niumba Association and specialist in Islamo-Christian dialogue; Manuel García Doncel, expert in dialogue between science and religion; Baruj Garzón, expert in Judaism; Miguel Gil, expert in the Bahaist faith; Sean Golden, Director of the Centre for International and Intercultural Studies of the Autonomous University of Barcelona; Ya'far González, expert in Shiite Islam; Sebastià Janeras, expert in Oriental Christian churches; Teresa Losada, President and Director of the Bayt-alo-thaqafa Centre and advisor to the Vatican Pontifical Commission for Inter-Religious Dialogue; Francesc-Xavier Marín, coordinator of the inter-religious research group at the Ramon Llull University; Fèlix Martí, President of the Local Committee of Honour of the IV Parliament of the World's Religions; Juan de Dios Martín Velasco, lecturer in phenomenology of religion at the Faculty of Theology of Salamanca in Madrid; Gaspar Martínez, acting European councillor of Pax Romana-ICMICA and general secretary of the diocese of Bilbao; Antoni Matabosch, doctor in theology and expert in ecumenism, Xavier Melloni, anthropologist and doctor in theology; Vicente Merlo, expert in Hinduism; Yaratullah Montuirol, expert in Islam and feminism; Jordi Moreres, expert in Islam in Catalonia; Ramon Maria Nogués, expert in science and religion; Agustí Paniker, expert in religions of India; Raimon Panikkar, emeritus lecturer in comparative religion at the University of California, Santa Barbara; Xabier Pikaza, lecturer in history of religion at the Pontifical University of Salamanca; Joan Prat, lecturer in religious anthropology at the Rovira i Virgili University; Ramon N. Prats, doctor in Tibetology and expert in Buddhism; Antoni Prevosti, expert in Confucianism and Taoism at the Faculty of Theology of the University of Barcelona; Armand Puig, Director of the Higher Institute of Religious Sciences of Tarragona and Master in History of Religion at the Rovira i Virgili University; Òscar Pujol, Director of Educational Programmes at Asia House and expert in Hinduism; Lluís Racionero, Director of the National Library; Mario Saban, executive secretary of the Federation of Jewish Communities of Spain; Samuel Salama, expert in Judaism; Albert Sasson, cultural advisor to the Forum; Jordi Savall, expert in religious music; Ana María Schlütter, expert in Christiano-Buddhist dialogue; Etsuro Sotoo, sculptor of the Sagrada Família; Juan José Tamayo, Director of the Ignacio Ellacuría Chair of Theology and Sciences of Religion at the Charles III University in Madrid; Francesc Torralba, academic head of the Ramon Llull Chair of the Blanquerna Foun-

dition; Oriol Tuñí, Dean of the Faculty of Theology of Catalonia; Jaime Vándor, lecturer in history and culture of the Jewish people at the University of Barcelona; Amador Vega, lecturer in history of religion at the Pompeu Fabra University; Josep Maria Via, lecturer in philosophy at the Ramon Llull University and specialist in phenomenology of religion; Mercè Viladrich, expert in Islam and Vice-Rector of the University of Barcelona; Dokusho Villalba, expert in Buddhism.

lona, from the Evangelical Council of Catalonia, from the Islamic Cultural Council of Catalonia and from the Israeli Community of Barcelona. Also on 15 January a meeting was convened with representatives and members of other religious communities, including Protestants, Jews, Orthodox, Buddhists, Quakers, Sikhs, Hindus and Mormons.

The UNESCO Centre of Catalonia took part in the informative sessions organised by the Universal Forum of Cultures for the different religious communities, which were held on 17 March, 18 March, 24 March, 26 March and 31 March at La Nau del Fòrum.

On 22 May, 17 June, 17 September and 4 November, the Centre convened meetings at the Pedralbes Museum and Monastery open to all religious communities and organisations to encourage their participation in the development of the Parliament of the World's Religions and inform and assess the preparatory process.

On 16 October the first Meeting for the Parliament was held at the church of Santa Maria del Pi in Barcelona. This was the first in a series of open events intended to publicise the Parliament of the World's Religions 2004, foster awareness as regards the challenge and the opportunity presented by religious diversity and carry out an exercise in inter-religious dialogue. To prepare the meeting, an organising committee was constituted made up of Raimon Ribera, Agustí Navarro, Ahmed Benallal, Alfons Garcia, Àlex Gelonch, Gundicha Das, Isabel Herrera, Francesc Rovira, Angelina Esteve, Marta Matarín,

Andreu Merino, Olga M. Viña, Josef Hans, Francis Garcia, Imma Mateu, Martín Carrillo, Ralph Baudisch and Rosa Serrahima, which met on 1 July, 21 July, 2 September, 15 September and 30 September. On 3 November the organising commission held an evaluation meeting. The event was reported on BTV and TV3 on 16 October. On 17 October there was information in *La Vanguardia* and *El Periódico*

On 24 October a similar event took place in Manresa. There was information on 26 October in *La Vanguardia* and in *El Periódico* on 27 October.

On 23 September the Centre convened a meeting with leading figures in religious communities in Madrid to inform them about the Parliament and encourage them to organise a Meeting for the Parliament.

On 11 November the UNESCO Centre of Catalonia, together with the Council for the Parliament of the World's Religions, the Universal Forum of Cultures and Editorial Trotta, organised a talk by the theologian Hans Küng on 'The importance of inter-religious and intercultural dialogue in my life', on occasion of the presentation of his book *Libertad conquistada. Memorias*. On 1 November the supplement 'Babelia' of the newspaper *El País* published a dossier on Hans Küng and a long interview. There was information on the portal *entitats.info* on 7 November, in the newspaper *Avui* on the same day and on 8 November, in the newspapers *El Periódico* and *El País* on 8 November. Further information in

the newspapers *El País*, *La Vanguardia*, *Avui*, *El Periódico*, *El Mundo* and *ABC* on 11 November; information on TV3 Telenotícies on 11 November. There was further information in the newspapers *El País*, *La Vanguardia*, *El Mundo* and *El Periódico* on 12 November. Further information in the newspaper *Avui* and in *La Vanguardia* on 16 November. During the course of his stay in Barcelona, Hans Küng was interviewed for the programmes 'El món de les fes' and 'El matí de Catalunya Ràdio' on Catalunya Ràdio, the newspapers *La Vanguardia* and *Avui* on 13 October and for the magazine *El Cieva* on 11 November, the Consul General of Switzerland in Barcelona, Josef W. Eisele, gave a private dinner party for Professor Hans Küng, which was also attended by the director of the UNESCO Centre of Catalonia.

On 12 November a representative of the Centre took part in the meeting of the Inter-Religious Platform of Alacant, with a view to organising a Meeting for the Parliament.

On 19 November, together with UNESCO Etxea, the Centre convoked a meeting with leading figures from the religious communities of Bilbao to encourage the organisation of the Meeting for the Parliament.

The UNESCO Centre of Catalonia has published a leaflet with ample information on the features of the Parliament and the inscription forms. It also published a call for the submission of ideas for the programme of the Parliament of the World's Religions.

From 20 to 26 October the meeting of the 'Goldin Institute for international collaboration and peace 2003' took place in Manresa, convened by the Council for a Parliament of the World's Religions with the collaboration of the UNESCO Centre of Catalonia. The Goldin Institute is an annual meeting of inter-religious activists from all over the world. The theme of the Goldin Institute for 2003 was the construction of social cohesion in contexts of diversity and migra-

tion. Raimon Ribera, Director of the UNESCO Centre of Catalonia, took part in the inaugural event and in the closure.

In the framework of the process of participation of religious communities in the Universal Forum of Cultures, there was a meeting on 17 November of the Reference Committee, convened by the official responsible for the Religious Communities Section of the Forum 2004, which the director of the Centre also attended.

The UNESCO Centre of Catalonia formed a group of volunteers who collaborated in the organisation of this event and which was made up of M^a Teresa Botey, David Casals, Montse Castellà, Pilar Claret, Esther Crivillers, Amin Egea, Montserrat Farré, Àlex Gelonch, Isabel Herrera, Elisabeth Lheure, Hawwa Morales, Agusti Navarro, Romina Ostrowicz, Lourdes Porcar, Nathalie Reverdin, Moisès Stankowich, David Vendrell and Bernardo Villarroya. On 13 January and 10 April there was an informative meeting for the volunteers.

During the course of the year there were public events to present the Parliament of the World's Religions: In Igualada on 19 June, at Cal Ble; on 1 July in Barcelona, at the Brahma Kumaris Spiritual Association; on 6 and 8 August in Bellaterra, in the framework of the II European Synod of Women; on 21 November in Palma de Mallorca, in the framework of the 50th anniversary of the Baha'i Community of the Balearics; on 22 November in Sabadell, in the framework of the IV Inter-Religious Meeting; in Barcelona, at the Eco Concern association; again in Barcelona, on 13 December, at the Espai Obert association, and on 14, at the monastery of Sant Pere de les Puelles.

The Parliament was also present in private meetings with numerous officials of religious communities and organisations. Similarly, there were numerous internal meetings with many organisations: on 22 October, the plenary session of the Union of Churchpeople

of Catalonia; on 24 October, the meeting of officials of the training scheme for the Salesians of Catalonia; on 9 November, the committee of Communities of Christian Life-Catalonia; on 10 November, the meeting of pastoral coordinators of the Salesian schools of Catalonia; on 15 November, the meeting of provincials of the Company of Mary of Catalonia; on 19 November, the Gypsy Pastoral Team of the Diocese of Barcelona; on 21 November, the meeting of Salesian vicars and rectors; on 25 November, the Pastoral Council of the Archpriestship of Mataró, on 26 November, the Pastoral Council of the Archpriestship of El Prat de Llobregat; on 28 November, the Archpriest Council of Badalona Sud; on 27 November, the Assembly of the Union of Superiors General, in Rome (Italy); on 29 November, the State Committee of the Communities of Christian Life; on 7 December, the 79th General Synod of the Spanish Evangelical Church, in Saragossa.

Various inter-religious round tables were held, with a view to the Parliament, on the subject of the parliament or on inter-religious dialogue: on 8 July, in Barcelona, at the Brahma Kumaris Spiritual Association; on 20 October, in Barcelona, at the Sagrada Família Community of Christian Life; on 26 November, in El Prat de Llobregat, with the Prat de Llobregat Friends of UNESCO Association.

The media devoted considerable space to reporting on the Parliament of the World's Religions: the pub-

lication *Nou Barris* for July-August; the magazine *Oikumene* of the Ecumenical Centre of Catalonia published ample information in the second quarter on the IV Parliament of the World's Religions; on 22 June the programme *Samarkanda* interviewed four people connected with the organisation of the Parliament; on 23 June the newspaper *El País* published an interview with Dirk Ficca, executive director of the Parliament of the World's Religions; on 28 September Francesc Rovira was interviewed on *Paraules de vida*; on 19 October, William Leshner, President of the board of the Parliament, was interviewed by the newspaper *Avui* and the TV3 programme *Signes del temps*; on 20 October the director of the Centre took part in the programme *Postres de música* on Catalunya Ràdio and spoke about the Parliament; on 19 November the newspaper *El Correo de Bilbao* and on 20 November the Bilbao newspaper *Deia* published interviews focusing on the Parliament with the director of the Centre; in November, Francesc Torradeflot was on radio and television of the UNED, in Valencia; the magazine *Allarren Barri*, of the bishopric of Bilbao, published an interview with Raimon Ribera in December; on 25 December, the newspaper *El Punt* also reported on the Parliament of the World's Religions and reproduced statements by Raimon Ribera; on 30 December, Alain Blomart was interviewed by the TV3 programme *Bon dia Catalunya*.

International activity

GRANTS FOR VISITS TO BODIES WITHIN THE UNITED NATIONS SYSTEM

On 3 March, the UNESCO Centre of Catalonia and the Office for External Relations of the Department of Government of the Generalitat de Catalunya announced the names of the candidates who have been awarded grants for visits to organisations within the United Nations system, which were convened in December 2002.

The following are the names and the destinations corresponding to the people who have been assigned the grants: Ferran Cabrero Miret, for a twelve-month stay at the United Nations Development Programme, New York, beginning on 6 August; Anastàsia Monjas Corcoy, for a twelve-month stay at UNESCO, Paris, beginning on 10 March; Lluís Claret, for a twelve-month stay at UNESCO, Paris, starting 1 June; Francesc Fàbregues Oliver, for a twelve-month stay at the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights, Geneva, starting 1 March; Meritxell Regué Blasi, for a twelve-month stay at the Office of the High Commissioner for National Minorities of the Organisation for Cooperation and Security in Europe, the Hague, starting 1 March; Marta Hurtado Gómez, for a twelve-month stay at the Regional Office of the UNESCO Organisation, Montevideo, starting in January 2004.

The UNESCO Centre of Catalonia signed a cooperation agreement on 12 March with the International Pax Romana Movement of Catholic Intellectuals.

Various Catalan bodies have promoted the preparation of an international meeting on 'Cultural diversity and globalisation' for 2004, devoted to gathering representatives of stateless peoples. Taking part were Jordi Porta and Joan Vidal of Òmnium Cultural; Josep Romeu of the CIEMEN and Daniel Mundet and Onno Seroo of the UNESCO Centre of Catalonia. The meetings took place on 28 May, at the Centre's premises; 10 June at the premises of Òmnium Cultural; 20 June and 4 September, at the CIEMEN premises; 9 July, 17 September and 20 October, at the Centre's premises.

The UNESCO Centre of Catalonia collaborated with the Interarts association in the presentation of a

project to the European Commission aimed at evaluating activities in support of Mercator in favour of minority and regional languages, from 1998 to 2002. In July, the European Commission reported that it had approved the project. Officials from the two organisations met at the premises of the UNESCO Centre of Catalonia on 28 July, 30 September and 28 October. Attending the meetings were Jordi Baltà, for Interarts, and Josep Cru and Onno Seroo, for the UNESCO Centre of Catalonia. From 17 to 19 November, Josep Cru and Onno Seroo travelled to Leeuwarden, Frisia, for talks with officials at the Mercator-Education Office.

On 20 September, Raimon Ribera attended a meeting in Barcelona organised by the Association for the United Nations with Gabriela Rodriguez, United Nations Special Rapporteur for Human Rights of Migrants. On 15 October, Onno Seroo took part in a

meeting held in Barcelona and organised by the Association for the United Nations with Marina Ponti, Vice-Director of the Civil Society for the Campaign for the Objectives of Development of the Millennium of the United Nations.

Raimon Ribera attended a talk in Paris on 'L'Europe, à bout de souffle?', given by Jordi Pujol, President of the Generalitat de Catalunya, at the amphitheatre of Sciences Po of the Sorbonne on 22 October. The same day, Raimon Ribera attended the reception held at Catalonia House in Paris.

Onno Seroo, in his capacity as Secretary of Kreddha-Europe, took part in the Hague in the meetings of the European Council of Kreddha-International Peace Action Council for States, Peoples and Minorities, an organisation devoted to the prevention and resolution of violent conflicts between population groups and states. The members of the Kreddha Council are Rodrigo Carazo-Odio, former President of Costa Rica and emeritus President of the United Nations University for Peace; Kasur Lodi G. Gyari, the Dalai Lama's special envoy to Washington; Srimati Nirmala Deshpande, former senator of the Indian Senate; Hans-Adam II, head of state of Liechtenstein; Mairead Corrigan Maguire, Nobel Peace Prize winner; Jose Ramos Horta, Nobel Peace Prize winner and Minister of Foreign Affairs of East Timor; Michiel van Walt, former Secretary General of the Organisation of Stateless Nations and Peoples. The meetings of the European Council of Kreddha took place in the Hague on 7 February, 18 August and 22 October.

Onno Seroo is a member of the International Centre for Geopolitical Studies in Geneva in representation of the UNESCO Centre of Catalonia. The Centre was set up in June 2001 and is devoted to the analysis and study of questions related to world geopolitics to make developments in contemporary international relations more comprehensible.

From 23 to 29 March, Onno Seroo attended the

meetings of the United Nations Human Rights Commission. During his stay in Geneva, Onno Seroo met with John Henriksen, Advisor on Human Rights for the Norwegian Ministry of Foreign Affairs; Pio Schurti, from the Liechtenstein permanent mission at the United Nations headquarters in New York; Rolando Neto, Consultant to the Angola Permanent Mission to the United Nations headquarters in Geneva; Jose Ramos Horta, East Timor Minister for Foreign Affairs; Antonio Amorim, East Timor representative to the European Union and to UNESCO; Batila Joel, representative of the Flec-Flac, Cabinda/Angola; Piris Zibari, UN and NGO representative of the Iraqi Kurdish administration; Ngawang Choepyal, of the office of the Dalai Lama in Geneva; Doudou Diene, special rapporteur for the United Nations Human Rights Commission on Racial Discrimination; Eulalia d'Ortado, Julian Burger, Pablo Espiniella and Sabina Puig of the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights; Jaume Vidal, consultant of the WHO; Martin Oelz, International Labour Standards Department, ILO; Dominique Saillard, of the UNESCO Centre of the Basque Country; John Quigley, President of the Committee of NGOs for Development; Joseph Rajkumar, Anselmo Lee and Ana Pallares of Pax Romana-MIIC; Eduardo Welsh of the UNPO; Catherine Scott, Asia Desk, Catholic Institute for International Relations, London; Rashid Kang, coordinator of the Human Rights Defenders Project; Asian Forum for Human Rights and Development; Hurst Hannum, Director of the Fletcher School of Diplomacy; Ravi Nair, Asian Legal Resource Centre/ Human Rights Features; Lawrence Cuny, Programme Officer, and Eric Sottas, Director of the World Organisation Against Torture; Ali Saleem, coordinator of the project Asian Legal Resource Centre, Hong Kong; Victor Scheffers of the Justice and Peace movement of the Netherlands; Teuku Samsul Bahri, coordinator of Kontras Aceh; Tim Gill, of the Asian Human Rights Centre; Isolda Agazzi, Programme Officer of the Conference on NGO/CONGO; Gyula Csurgai, Director of the Institute of Global Geopolitical Studies.

UBUNTU, WORLD FORUM OF NETWORKS

Ubuntu is a world forum of civil society networks, promoted by Federico Mayor, former Director General of UNESCO, and with its offices at the UNESCO Chair in Technology, Sustainable Development, Imbalances and Global Change at the Polytechnic University of Catalonia. Ubuntu promotes the drafting and circulation of various public manifestos, which it submits for signature to organisations and individuals in the world civil society. The Director of the UNESCO Centre of Catalonia and the President of the Linguapax Institute signed the various manifestos and communiqués released in public: on 4 February, 'A war against Iraq? The worst remedy for the world's serious problems', in the form of an open letter to President Bush; on 7 February, the newspaper *Herald Tribune* published the text of the letter complete. It was also reported in the newspaper *Avui* on 5 February and *La Vanguardia* on 6 February. On 30 September the communiqué 'Refounding the WTO within the United Nations' was issued, also signed by Raimon Ribera, on behalf of the UNESCO Centre of Catalonia, and Félix Martí, on behalf of the Linguapax Institute.

On 27 June, Ubuntu launched its international campaign for a profound reform of the system of international institutions. The Linguapax Institute and the UNESCO Centre of Catalonia were amongst the promoting bodies. On 16 July the campaign was presented in public in Barcelona. Taking part were Félix Martí, as a member of the Campaign Organising Committee. The Organising Committee of the International Campaign met again in Peruggia, Italy, on 8 and 9 October; Félix Martí also attended the meeting. The members of the organising committee also met on 10 October, also in Peruggia, with the members of the Secretary General's Panel on Relations between the United Nations and the Civil Society. The members of the Organising Committee took part in Peruggia from 10 to 12 July in the fifth Assembly of Peoples of the United Nations.

On 23 October, a meeting took place at the premises of the UNESCO Centre of Catalonia of various Catalan organisations, with the object of studying the possible constitution of a Catalan commission to give support in the Catalan sphere to the International Campaign for the Reform of International Institutions. The meeting was called by the *ad hoc* Secretariat of the Ubuntu Forum, the United Nations Association in Spain and the UNESCO Centre of Catalonia; the people and organisations convened were as follows: Laura Abella, of the Foundation Comaposada/UGT; Anna Arisa, of the Sant Jordi Boy Scout Guides of Catalunya; Rosana Alija, of the United Nations Association; Puri Canals, of Depana; David Cárceles, of Cooperation; Gal·la Cortadellas, of the Sant Joan de Déu Foundation; Òscar Esteban, of the Catalan Scouts; Josep M. Fàbregues, of the Catalan Coordinator of Foundations; Ismael Peña, of the Open University of Catalonia; Santiago Ramentol, of the Autonomous University of Barcelona; Leonor Sedó, of Feminine Portal; Eulàlia Solé, sociologist; Èlia Susanna, of Justice and Peace; and Joan Vidal, of the Sant Jordi Boy Scouts and Guides; attending on behalf of the Centre were Raimon Ribera, Daniel Mundet and Onno Serro. These organisations met again at the premises of the UNESCO Centre of Catalonia on 2 December.

Francesc Cabrero attended the second session of the Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues of the United Nations in New York from 12 to 22 May. On 13 May he also took part in the meeting of the special advisory council for the Report on Human Development 2004. During the course of his stay he met with several people: Caitlin Wiesen and Freddi Justiniano, officials at the United Nations Development Programme; Noeli Pocaterra, a Guayu and second vice-president of Venezuela; Christina Haverkamp, Yanomami expert of the GFBV; Elias Yakirahiwe, Yanomami leader; Pernille Kramp, of the OHCHR; Frédéric Vacheron, of the Division of Cultural Politics and Intercultural Dialogue of UNESCO; Natàlia Álvarez, Doctor of the University of Deusto and coordinator of the grants programme for natives of the Pedro Arrupe Institute of Human Rights.

On 27 June Onno Seroo had talks in Brussels with Maarten Vidal and Michiel Dingenen, assistant directors of the Department of Multilateral Organisations of the Foreign Affairs Administration of the Ministry of the Flemish Community; with Herbert Tombeur, director of the same department; and with Ann Knaeps, of the Department of International

Cultural Political Coordination, of the General Directorate of Culture of the Ministry of the Flemish Community.

On 7 July, Onno Seroo met in Bilbao with Alvaro de Soto, Assistant General Secretary of the United Nations and Special Advisor to the United Nations Secretary General for Cyprus.

On 4 and 6 December, Onno Seroo took part in Geneva on behalf of UNESCO in the 22nd General Assembly of the Conference of NGOs (CONGO), which brings together those organisations with advisory status to the ECOSOC. During the course of his stay in Geneva, Onno Seroo had talks with Julien Broger, Pablo Espiniella and Francesc Fàbregas, of the Indigenous Group of the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights.

On 6 and 10 December, Ferran Cabrero, on behalf of the UNESCO Centre of Catalonia, took part in Mexico in the meeting 'Deepest America', which gathered leaders of indigenous peoples, members of international organisations and intellectuals.

VISITORS TO THE UNESCO CENTRE OF CATALONIA

- Kodis Korbendis, of the Mundri Relief and Development Association, Sudan, on 3 January and 20 June.
- Lornea Ruth Saracho Lobos, expert in tourism and collaborator of the UNESCO Commission of Paraguay, on 6 February.
- Jeremias Torres, leader of the Tairona Indigenous Confederation, Colombia, on 24 February.
- Jacqueline Glarnez, on 26 February.
- Taiza Auxiliadora de Brito, journalist, editor of the *Diario de Pernambuco*, Brasil, and member of the Pernambuco Delegation of the UNESCO National Commission of Brasil, on 5 March and 14 April.
- Patricio Rodé, President of Pax Romana MIIC, on 12 March.
- Tariq Ramadan, Egyptian philosopher and Islamologist, lecturer at the College of Geneva and the University of Friburg, on 28 March.
- Max Paredes, of the Parliament of the Collana Aymara People, Juan Lucas, director of the documentary *Aymara: una nación sin fronteras* and Maria Antònia Arnau, of the committee for Solidarity with the - Indigenous Peoples, on 31 March.
- Beatriz Lizarazo de Anzola, of the La Palma Cultural Centre (Cundinamarca), Bogota, on 21 May.
- Mohit Mikheljee, of the international office of the Earth Charter, on 30 May.
- Michèle Honein, on 3 June.
- Victor Hisanori Mouri, Akira Tsuchiya and other members of the management team of the Shinji Sumeikai International Department, Japan, on 26 June.
- A representation made up by four people from the Porto UNESCO Club, on 18 July.
- John Casey, lecturer at the Charles Sturt University, Manly, Australia, on 21 July.
- Paco Garcia d'Haro, of the UNESCO Centre of Dakar, on 28 July.
- Hisako Hiseki, pianist, on 29 October.
- Tani Marilena Adams, Executive Director of the Centre for Investigation and Research of Meso-America (CIRMA), Guatemala, on 7 November.
- Néstor da Costa, Director of the UNESCO Centre of Montevideo, on 10 November.
- Lorenzo Luatii, of the Association for International Solidarity and Cooperation of Arezzo (UCODEP), on 4 December.
- Taban Io Liyong, Sudanese intellectual, on 10 December.
- Monica Castelo, consultant on human rights, on 11 December.

Collaboration with public and private bodies

The Centre collaborates with the Federation of Internationally Recognised Catalan Organisations (FOCIR). The federation's offices are based at the UNESCO Centre of Catalonia. The meetings of the board of the FOCIR were held at the premises of the UNESCO Centre of Catalonia on 20 January, 20 February, 18 March, 24 April, 20 May, 1 July, 9 September, 25 September, 28 October and 25 November. The organisation's ordinary general assembly was held on 27 March and posts on the board were renewed. The Federation of Internationally Recognised Catalan Organisations publishes *El butlletí*, a quarterly bulletin with information on the activities of the member organisations. The last issue to appear was number 25, which came out in December.

The UNESCO Centre of Catalonia provides technical support for the Board of Federations of NGOs and Social Initiative Bodies of Catalonia. Carme Gispert was the coordinator of the Board until November, after which the new coordinator was Germà Martín. The coordination of the Board of NGO Federations makes use of the Centre's infrastructure. Members of the Board are: the Catalan Federation of Social Volunteers, the National Youth Council of Catalonia, the Catalan Olympic Committee, the Catalan Coordinating Body of Foundations, the Catalan Federations of NGOs for Peace and the Federation of Internationally Recognised Catalan Organisations. The members of the Board met on 12 February, 24 April, 13 May, 18 September and 11 December.

The Centre collaborates with the Catalan Federation of NGOs for Development, of which it is a member. The federation met in assembly on 18 December. Daniel Mundet attended on behalf of the UNESCO Centre of Catalonia.

The Centre gives support to the Association for the

New Manresa Bases. Fèlix Martí is a member of the Advisory Council for the New Manresa Bases. The council met in Barcelona on 1 February, 29 March and 24 May; in L'Escala on 19 July; in Santa Cristina d'Aro on 21 September; on 22 September and 22 November in Barcelona again. On 9 September the association presented the document 'Say no' in Barcelona, on the projected text for the European Constitution, at an event in which Fèlix Martí also took part and which was reported in various media: the newspaper *Avui* on 10 September, the magazine *El Temps* on 15 September, on the portal *vilaweb.com* on 9 September.

The UNESCO Centre of Catalonia is a member of the group of promoters of the 11 September Commission, which for the fourth consecutive year was behind the organisation of the unitary activities of the civil society to mark the National Holiday of Catalonia. The promoting group met at the premises of the Centre on 20 February and 23 July. On 14 July, Raimon Ribera attended an enlarged meeting of the 11 September Commission at Òmnium Cultural, with the object of fixing this year's activities.

The UNESCO Centre of Catalonia is one of the organisations supporting the project promoted by Nova, Centre for Social innovation, to turn the castle of Sant Ferran in Figueres into a peace centre.

The UNESCO Centre of Catalonia is a collaborating body of the National Youth Council of Catalonia. The Council held its ordinary General Assembly on 30 March in Mataró.

The UNESCO Centre of Catalonia took on the administration of the contest 'New readings of ancient monuments' promoted by the General secretariat for Youth of the Department of the Presidency, the Gen-

eral Directorate of Educational Planning of the Department of Education and the General Directorate of Heritage of the Department of Culture of the Generalitat de Catalunya. Miquel Martí was a member of the panel of judges on behalf of the UNESCO Centre of Catalonia. The judges met in Barcelona on 23 April to select the winners of the 2002-2003 edition. In the Spanish section, the winner was the project 'Cave paintings of Los Chaparros and Los Estrechos' by the Gloria Fuertes School in Andorra (Terol); in the Catalan section the winner was the project 'Pujol i Bausis Factory, La Rajoleta' by the Isidre Martí Primary School in Esplugues de Llobregat. The prize-giving took place on 6 May. The judges met in Barcelona on 23 April. Pupils from the winning schools visited the UNESCO headquarters in Paris, on a trip from 10 to 13 June in which Miquel Martí also took part. On 13 June the winning schools were received at UNESCO by Elisabeth Khawajkie, world coordinator of the UNESCO Associated Schools Plan. The members of the panel and representatives of the convening organisations met again on 26 June and 6 October to prepare the event for the following year. On 1 September they met at the premises of the UNESCO Centre of Catalonia to evaluate and select the proposals submitted in the 2003-2003 edition.

The UNESCO Centre of Catalonia gave its support in October to the Laboratory for the Investigation of African Societies and the African Research and Teaching Group, in its initiative to create a Catalan Inter-University Institute for Relations with Africa (ICIRA). The Intercultural Institute of Catalonia, the African Studies Centre of Barcelona and the African Studies Group at the Autonomous University of Madrid also joined the initiative.

The UNESCO Centre of Catalonia is one of the organisations collaborating in the Vicens Vives Programme on Leadership and Civic Commitment led by ESADE and coordinated by Raimon Ribera.

The UNESCO Centre of Catalonia signed a collaboration agreement with the Easy Reading Association on 15 July. The agreement foresees the formation of a mixed commission of the two organisations. For the Easy Reading Association the members of the commission are Mercè Bosch and Rosa Seguí. On 17 October Àlex Cosials and Susanna Martí attended the presentation of the 'Swedish easy reading model', at an event held at the Official College of Documentary Librarians of Catalonia.

The UNESCO Centre of Catalonia is a collaborating member of the Abbey of Montserrat Foundation 2025.

The UNESCO Centre of Catalonia attended the meeting convened by Eurocongress, Òmnium Cultural and CIEMEN on 19 November, with the object of studying the viability of beginning the campaign 'We want Catalan as an official language in Europe'. The UNESCO Centre of Catalonia was represented by Daniel Mundet. A commission was set up consisting of representatives of the Hostafrancs Residents association, CAL, Platform for the Language, People of the Land, CIEMEN, Òmnium Cultural, Eurocongress and Federation of Clavé Choirs. On 16 December there was an assembly of members of the campaign, at which the manifesto 'We want Catalan as an official language in Europe' was presented.

The UNESCO Centre of Catalonia gave its support to the meeting on 'Migration: relating and living healthily in a new country', organised in Barcelona on 2 and 3 October by Interculture and the Centre for Intercultural Dialogue of Catalonia. Sílvia Cedó attended on behalf of the UNESCO Centre of Catalonia.

The UNESCO Centre of Catalonia is one of the organisations that gave support to the production of the CD-ROM *Intercanvis Internacionals Educació* promoted by the Catalan Esplai Foundation and presented publicly in Barcelona at an event held on 29 October.

FURTHER ACTS OF SUPPORT BY THE UNESCO CENTRE OF CATALONIA

- In February, the UNESCO Centre of Catalonia asked the Department of Culture of the Generalitat de Catalunya that Father Joan Botam be awarded the Cross of Saint George.
- The UNESCO Centre of Catalonia gave its support to the association Cultural Action Services.
- The UNESCO Centre of Catalonia is one of the organisations collaborating in the XVII Catalan Conference for a Nuclear Free Energetically Sustainable Future, held in Barcelona on 29 April, Earth Day.
- The UNESCO Centre of Catalonia supported the celebration of the macro-playpark, 'A smile for peace', organised in Barcelona on 1 June by the General Directorate of Civic Action of the Generalitat de Catalunya.
- The UNESCO Centre of Catalonia gave its support to the Kiku Mistu Imaginary Cultural Centre project 'The language of flowers'. In April, the project was present in Rubí, Mongat, Cabrils, Terrassa and Sant Boi de Llobregat. On 16 October a sculpture was inaugurated at the Palau Robert in Barcelona. The presentation of 'The language of flowers' took place that same day at the FAD Barcelona at an event in which the Director of the UNESCO Centre of Catalonia took part.
- The UNESCO Centre of Catalonia has supported the publication of the *Revista d'Estudis Catalans – Zeitschrift für Katalanistik* Number 16 appeared in June.
- The UNESCO Centre of Catalonia supported the manifesto 'Volunteers for the language', presented in public in Barcelona on 21 July and jointly promoted by the Presidential Department and Welfare and Family Department of the Generalitat de Catalunya, with the collaboration of the Catalan Volunteer Institute.
- The UNESCO Centre of Catalonia supported the charity performance of a stage adaptation of Ernesto Sábato's novel *El túnel*, promoted by Gestió Cultural and presented in Barcelona on 8 October.
- The UNESCO Centre of Catalonia supported the Manifesto in defence of civil law in Catalonia, presented in public in Barcelona on 28 October.
- The UNESCO Centre of Catalonia supported the concert of Tibetan sacred songs performed by the Buddhist nun Ani Choying Dolma in Barcelona on 4 December and organised by the Tibet House Foundation.
- On 12 December the UNESCO Centre of Catalonia supported the Culturalnord initiative, which promotes an agreement for cultural action by Catalonia North and which is led by the Arrels school, the Comte Guifré secondary school, the Jaume I Cultural Centre and Catalonia North Òmnium Cultural.
- On 18 December the UNESCO Centre of Catalonia gave its support to the announcement by the Joan Lluís Vives Institute on the unity of the Catalan language.

The UNESCO Centre of Catalonia, together with the Department of Culture of the Generalitat de Catalunya, organised the VI Sessions on teaching the monumental heritage, which took place in Santes Creus on 7 and 8 November. Taking part, among other speakers, were Sigrid Niedermayer, specialist from the Division for the Promotion of Quality Education, of the UNESCO Education Sector.

On 30 April, the President of the Centre, Enric Masllorens, was appointed director of the CIC Cultural Foundation. He took possession of the post on 1 July.

The President of the Centre, Enric Masllorens, is a member of the Advisory Council of Barcelona City Council's Infancy and Urban World Institute.

The Director of the Centre had talks with officials at the Generalitat de Catalunya: with Joaquim Llimona and Anna Déu, of the External Relations Office of the Generalitat de Catalunya, on 9 January; with Ignasi Garcia Clavel, of the Religious Affairs Office, on 14 January and 10 July; with Anton Canyelles, the Catalan Ombudsman, on 6 February; with Àlex Bas, Director of the Department of Studies of the Department of the Interior, on 18 February; with Andreu Mas-Colell, Councillor of the Department of Universities, Research and Information Society, together with Fèlix Martí, on 5 March; with Carme-Laura Gil, Councillor for Education, along with Fèlix Martí, on 17 March; with Marià Morera, General Secretary of the Department of the Environment, on 27 March; with Eduard Vallory, of the Department of Universities, Research and Information Society, on 8 April; with Josep-Lluís Cleries, General Director for Civic Action of the Department of Welfare and Family, on 24 April; with Jordi Roigé, General Director for Linguistic Policy, on 30 May; with Josep M. Sans Travé, General Director of Cultural Heritage, on 17 June; with Claudi Alsina, General Director for Universities, on 30 July.

The Director of the Centre had talks with Joan Rigol, President of the Catalan Parliament, on 8 September.

The Director of the Centre had talks with officials at Barcelona City Council: on 4 February with Txema Castiella of the Department of the Environment; on 23 July with Pilar Vallugera, Councillor for Women and Civil Rights; on 13 November, again with Pilar Vallugera, along with Joan Hernández of the Forum Barcelona 2004.

The Director of the Centre had talks with Jordi Valls, Mayor of Manresa, on 2 October.

The Director of the Centre also met with Anna Gual, of the Office for European Integration and Solidarity of Barcelona Provincial Corporation, on 30 May.

The Director of the Centre visited several Catalan organisations and institutions and had talks with officials: on 2 January, with Andreu Claret, Director of the European Institute of the Mediterranean; on 17 January, with Josep Laporte, President of the Institute of Catalan Studies, together with Fèlix Martí; on 3 February, with Joan Vidal, scout leader; on 27 January, with Gabriel Ferraté, rector of the Open University of Catalonia; on 19 February with Antoni Castillo, Dean of the College of Industrial Technical Engineers; on 19 February, with Sebastià Mayol, of Càritas Diocesana de Barcelona; on 11 March, with Jordi Bonet, head architect and coordinator of the work of the Sagrada Família in Barcelona; on 11 April, together with Sergi Rovira, for talks with Jordi Sargatal, Director of the Territory and Landscape Foundation; on 7 May, 23 July, 18 September, 13 October, 28 October and 25 November, with Josep Àngel Saiz, Auxiliary Bishop of Barcelona, together with Antoni Matabosch; on 15 March, with Daniel Ortiz, Director of the Catalan Farm Credit Institute; on 4 June, with Jaume Giné, General secretary of Asia House; on 14 July, with Joan Vidal, manager of Òmnium Cultural; with Maria Dolors Albero and Josep Cantós, of the 'la Caixa' Foundation, on 14 October; with Jordi Carrió and Anna Castellanos, of the Pedralbes Museum and Monastery, on 21 November.

Raimon Ribera also had talks with officials from Spanish state bodies; with Carlos de Francisco, Secretary of the Episcopal commission for Interconfessional Relations of the Spanish Episcopal Conference, on 22 October; with Antonio Garrigues Walker, President of the José Ortega y Gasset Foundation, in Madrid, on 23 October; with Manuel Hurtado and Pilar Vizcaíno, of the National Association for Prenatal Education, on 22 November.

On 28 February, the Director of the Centre took part in a session of the series of 'Debates on immigration in Catalonia. Contributions by the civil society', organised by the Secretariat for Immigration of the Generalitat de Catalunya. The UNESCO Centre of

Catalonia was one of the fifteen organisations convened by the Secretariat for Immigration to take part in the debates. On 11 April, Raimon Ribera and Sílvia Cedó attended the presentation of the conclusions of the debates.

Raimon Ribera was a special guest at the performance of the Passion Play in Olesa on 4 May. Fèlix Martí was invited on 23 March.

The Director of the Centre attended various events organised by other important Catalan bodies: the talk on 'The greatness and pettiness of politics', organised by Esade in Barcelona on 14 February; on 28 April, the meeting on today's values in Southern Europe, organised in Barcelona by the European Institute of the Mediterranean and the Generalitat de Catalunya; on 9 May, in Barcelona, the inauguration of the 37th World Assembly of the World Federation of United Nations Associations; on 28 May, the ceremony to award the XXXV Prize of Honour of Catalan Literature, organised by Òmnium Cultural; the presentation in Barcelona of the study directed by Robert Putnam *Declining Social Capital* on 1 July; the presentation of the Arabic centre Private Foundation in Barcelona, on 7 July; on 7 September, the event 'Voices of Peace', organised in Barcelona by the Brahma Kumaris association and the Culture of Peace Foundation; on 26 September, in L'Hospitalet de Llobregat, the event 'A path full of honesty and transparency', which various Catalan organisations offered in recognition of Carlos Jiménez Villarejo; on 1 October, the inaugural talk of the series 'African Thursdays', organised in Barcelona by the European Institute of the Mediterranean; on 20 November, the talk given in Barcelona by the Tibetan master Sogyal Rimpoché.

Raimon Ribera attended the end of term supper at the Barcelona UNESCO Club, held on 16 June. On 16 June, the Director of the Centre attended the inauguration of the 2003-2004 year of the Mouthpiece of Cultures, promoted by the Barcelona UNESCO

Club, during which Mohammed Charfi gave a talk.

On 19 June, Raimon Ribera, at the invitation of Berga Town Hall, attended the events of La Patum, in the framework of the move by Berga Town Hall to have La Patum included in the UNESCO list of the Oral and Intangible Heritage of Humanity.

The Director of the Centre and Onno Seroo attended a restricted meeting on 20 June with Virginia Dandan, President of the Committee of Social, Economic and Social Rights of the United Nations in Geneva, organised in Barcelona by the Interarts association.

The director of the centre took part in a meeting convened by Eurocongress 2000 at Òmnium Cultural on 7 October, in which a number of Catalan organisations took part in a search for agreement in the struggle in favour of Catalan and in particular to demand its official status in Europe. There was information on the portal *Tribuna Catalana* on 7 July.

Fèlix Martí is a member of the Advisory Council of the Josep M. Delàs Study Centre for Peace of Justice and Peace.

Fèlix Martí is Vice-President of the Organising Commission for the Eurocongress 2000 of the Occitan and Catalan Areas. Miquel Martí and Sergi Rovira are members of some of the congress sections. On 5 April in Barcelona Fèlix Martí attended the official announcement of the general conclusions of the Eurocongress 2000.

Fèlix Martí is a member of the board of Espai Obert, an initiative linked to the Francesc Eiximenis Study Centre. Fèlix Martí attended the meeting of the board on 21 October.

Fèlix Martí and Onno Seroo are members of the Catalan Convention for the Debate on the Future of the European Union, promoted by the Catalan Board

for Europe. On 3 February the work of the Convention was officially closed.

Fèlix Martí, on behalf of the UNESCO Centre of Catalonia, is a member of the Delegate Commission of the Knowing Catalonia Association (ACCAT). The meetings of the commission took place on 16 and 31 January. In September the Knowing Catalonia Association issued a statement signed by all the member organisations, with the title 'We want Catalan bishops who understand Catalonia's duty to make its personality full'.

Fèlix Martí is a member of the committee that prepared a public homage to Ramon Sugranyes de Franch. The committee, promoted by Justice and Peace, met in Barcelona on 8 January, 9 April, 22 October and 19 November. The civic and institutional homage took place in the auditorium of the University of Barcelona on 24 November, at an event in Fèlix Martí took part and which was also attended by the Director of the UNESCO Centre of Catalonia.

Fèlix Martí is President of Catalan Opinion. He attended the dinner-debates organised by Catalan Opinion in Barcelona on 16 January, 13 March, 9 April, 29 May, 7 July, 25 September and 7 October. On 7 May, Fèlix Martí attended the presentation of number 36 of the magazine *Debat Nacionalista*. The meetings of the board of Catalan Opinion took place on 13 January, 17 July and 20 November.

Fèlix Martí is a member of the Commission for Dignity, the promoter of the campaign for the return to Catalonia of the Salamanca papers. The general assembly of the Commission for Dignity was held in Barcelona on 10 February.

Fèlix Martí and Onno Serro are members of the follow-up committee of the Universal Declaration of Linguistic Rights. Other members are Carles Torner, Mònica Sabata, Isidor Marí and Aureli Argemí. The members of the committee met with Eduard Delgado,

Ramon Cosials and Annamari Laaksonen, of the Interarts Foundation, on 10 February, with the object of studying possible joint initiatives for the declaration to be taken on by UNESCO.

Fèlix Martí is a member of the board and the management committee of the Culture of Peace Foundation, directed by Federico Mayor. The board and the committee met in Madrid on 2 December.

On 25 April, Fèlix Martí attended a working meeting called by the United Nations Association to discuss the role the United Nations should play after the war in Iraq.

Fèlix Martí, as honorary president of the UNESCO Centre of Catalonia, together with 11 other Catalan Catholic intellectuals, signed a text in July addressed to the bishops of Europe and to the prefects of the Holy See to request the right of Catalans to choose their own bishops. There was information in the newspapers *Avui* and *La Vanguardia* on 17 July and on the portal *tribunacatalana.org* also on 17 July.

Fèlix Martí visited and had talks with Antoni Vives, of the Secretariat of Governance of the Generalitat de Catalunya, on 6 March, and on 23 September with Jordi Portabella, councillor of Barcelona City Hall.

Fèlix Martí met with officials of various bodies: Francesc Badia, coordinator of the Dialogues of the Universal Forum of Cultures Barcelona 2004, on 14 January; Jaume Pagès, councillor delegate of the Universal Forum of Cultures Barcelona 2004, on 6 February, 17 March, 20 May and 20 June; also with Jaume Pagès, together with Amélie Ponce, on 30 October; with Josep Caminal, General Director of the Gran Teatre del Liceu, on 11 June; with Jaume Giné, General Secretary of Asia House, on 17 June; with Joan Albert Argenter, of the Institute of Catalan Studies, on 24 October; with Jonan Fernández, of Elkarrri, on 27 November.

Fèlix Martí attended the public event 'Two years, two campaigns', in memory of Joan Gomis, held in Barcelona on 30 September and organised by Justice and Peace.

Miquel Martí is a member of the Scientific Committee of the Valencian School Congress.

Miquel Martí is a member of the Community Council for Childhood and Adolescence of the Cornellà de Llobregat Town Council.

Miquel Martí formed part of the Organising Committee of the School and City Forum organised by the Municipal Institute of Education of Barcelona City Council and Barcelona Provincial Corporation.

Miquel Martí, on behalf of the UNESCO Centre of Catalonia, is a member of the Council of Representatives of the Pedagogic Coordinating Council of Barcelona City Council. In July, the Pedagogic Coordinating Council published the report *Escola i entitats ciutadanes la cooperació educativa*, which contains information on the activities of the UNESCO Centre of Catalonia. In September the *Programa d'activitats escolar 2003-2004* of the Pedagogic Coordinating Council was published.

Miquel Martí had talks with officials of several administrations: Javier Laguna, Councillor for Education and Culture of the Government of Navarre, on 2 May; Pere Solà, General Director of Educational Planning of the Generalitat de Catalunya, on 6 May; Albert Puigvert, Torrelló Town Councillor, on 16 October.

Miquel Martí met with officials from various bodies: on 6 May, with Marta Mata, of the Rosa Sensat Association; on 15 September, with Jordi Porta, President of Òmnium Cultural; on 5 September, with Maria Luz Laine, Director of Education of the Spanish National Organisation for the Blind, in Madrid; on 8 October, with Mariví Lora, of the Danone Founda-

tion; on 24 October, with Joan Argenter, official of the UNESCO Chair on Languages and Education of the Institute of Catalan Studies.

Miquel Martí is a member of the panel of judges for the Florenci Morera prize for educational innovation, which met in Igualada on 1 April. The prizes were awarded in Igualada on 6 April in the framework of the City of Igualada Prizes. The UNESCO Centre of Catalonia awarded diplomas to the winners: Joan Torrents, for 'Discovering physics and chemistry through photography', and Cristina Miret and Arantxa Prieto, for 'Different but equal'.

Miquel Martí is a member of the panel of judges for the Jocs Florals of the Turó del Cargol school in Barcelona. The panel met on 2 April and the prizes were awarded on 23 April.

Miquel Martí was President of the Association of Friends of the Comte Guifré School, until the assembly of 22 January, held at the premises of the UNESCO Centre of Catalonia.

On 17 and 18 October, Miquel Martí attended the XIV Barcelona Meeting, organised in Barcelona by Justice and Peace and devoted to peace-building and social movements.

On 23 October Miquel Martí attended the inauguration of the I Festival of Cinema and Human Rights, which took place in Barcelona.

Miquel Martí attended the assembly of the Social Forum on Education, which took place in Barcelona at the premises of the Federation of Pupils' Parents' Associations of Catalonia, on 10 December.

Onno Seroo had talks with officials of various political institutions and groups: Pere Almeda, expert of the Parliamentary Group Socialists-Citizens for Change, of the Catalan Parliament, on 20 June; Josep M. Carbonell, Member of Parliament for PSC, on 5

March, 3 July and 27 November; Gorka Espiau, of Elkarrri, and Pedro Ibarra, of the Betiko Foundation, on 7 July in Bilbao; Àlex Masllorens and Pere Almeda, on 1 October.

Onno Serro attended the dialogue on governability, globalisation and development organised in Barcelona on 30 and 31 October by the 'la Caixa' Foundation with the International Study Centre of the University of Barcelona and the Globalisation Observatory of the University of Barcelona.

Sergi Rovira had talks with representatives of various bodies: Miquel Rafa, of the Territory and Landscape Foundation, on 12 February; with officials of Creating, the publishers of the magazine *Tomorrow* on 17 February; on 30 April, with Victor Mitjans, of the Assembly of Ecological Organisations of Catalonia; on 28 May with Jordi Vila, environment official of the Autonomous Port of Barcelona; on 28 May, also, with Imma Pruna, of the Barcelona Provincial Corporation; on 25 June, with Pere Torres, of the Regional Planning Office of the Department of Regional Policy and Public Works of the Generalitat de Catalunya; on 3 July, with Arnau Queralt, of the Advisory Council on Sustainable Development; on 15 July, with Sandra Benbeniste and Carla Galán, of the Avina Foundation; with Arnau Queralt, of the Advisory Council on Sustainable Development, on 24 July; with Miquel Vidal and Catherin Raleigh, of Creating, on 20 October; on 23 October, with Montserrat Llobet, of the General Directorate for Educational Innovation of the Department of the Environment of the Generalitat de Catalunya; with Enric Vila, of the Just One World Foundation, on 24 October.

Sergi Rovira took part in the working session held on 15 September in Barcelona with James E. Austin, lecturer at Harvard Business School on building alliances between the civil society and business, promoted by the Avina association.

In the course of the year, Sara Batet and Sergi Rovira had talks with officials of several Catalan organisa-

tions involved in the environment: on 31 January with Josep Planes and Claudi Marvell, of the Department of the Environment of the Generalitat de Catalunya; on 11 April, 26 June and 10 July with Miquel Rafa and Susanna Izquierdo of the Territory and Landscape Foundation; on 8 October, with Núria Parpal, of Barcelona Provincial Corporation; on 5 November, with Josep Capella and Susanna Izquierdo of the Department of Environmental Education of the Territory and Landscape Foundation.

Sergi Rovira and Laia Corral had talks on 29 January with officials of the General Secretariat for Youth of the Generalitat de Catalunya; on 31 March, with Carme Arolas, of the Barcelona Provincial Corporation, on 6 May, with Raimon Goberna, President of the National Youth Council of Barcelona; on 17 October, with Xavier Rubió, Councillor for Youth at Manresa City Hall.

Ferran Cabrero had talks with Fermí Vallbé, Director for Citizens Participation at Barcelona City Hall, on 21 January.

On 12 June, Sílvia Cedó attended the presentation of the book *Gestionar la diversitat: reflexions i experiències sobre les pràctiques d'immigració a Catalunya*, which contains contributions and conclusions on the course on immigration policies in Catalonia, organised by the European Institute of the Mediterranean.

Sílvia Cedó had talks with officials of various administrations: Àlex Bas, of the Department of the Interior of the Generalitat de Catalunya, on 18 February and 8 October; Llorenç Olivé, of the Secretariat for Immigration, on 7 May; with Montserrat Feixes, of Girona City Council, on 5 June.

Sergi Rovira, Josep Cru and Sara Batet took part in the III Sessions of Catalan Opinion, which were held in Reus on 6 and 7 June and were devoted to 'New forms of political participation and the nation'. Félix Martí also took part as President of Catalan Opinion.

Fèlix Martí took part in a preparatory meeting of the sessions, on 25 February, and a meeting with all the speakers, in Barcelona, on 10 April.

Daniel Mundet attended the seminar on Multiculturalism and the Basque conflict, which took place in Barcelona on 6 June, organised by the Insti-

tute of Governance and Public Policies of the Autonomous University of Barcelona.

On 7 May, Àlex Cosials attended the informative session 'From Catmarc to Marc 21', on the change of bibliographic format in Catalonia, convened in Barcelona by the Library of Catalunya.

VISITORS TO THE UNESCO CENTRE OF CATALONIA

- Josep Romeu, of the CIEMEN, on 9 January.
- Lluís Maria Sunyer, on 9 January.
- Anna Casals, on 10 January.
- Claudi Romeu, on 13 January.
- Martí Gasull, of the Platform for the Language, on 13 January; on 29 October, together with Sònia Llinars.
- Jordi Carbonell, President of ERC, on 13 January.
- Ricard Torrents, former Rector of the University of Vic, on 13 January.
- Esteve Mach, of the Monument Management Office of the Department of Culture of the Generalitat de Catalunya, on 13 January.
- Sebastià Álvarez, President of the Association of Autonomous Centres of Catalonia, on 14 January.
- Marc Garreta, on 15 January.
- Julie Flanagan, expert in indigenous peoples, on 15 January, 18 March and 10 December.
- Jordi de Cambra, official of the UNESCO International Chair on Sustainable Human Development, on 21 January.
- Marc Leprêtre, sociolinguist, on 27 January and 21 May.
- Marta Torroja, of the Institute of Human Rights of the Basque Country, on 5 February.
- Jordi Serra, Director of the Catalan Centre for Futures Studies, on 6 February and 15 July.
- Francesc Dalmases, of the magazine **ONGC**, on 6 February.
- Josep Ros, of the TV3 programme 30 minuts, on 7 February.
- Albert Martí, President of the Catalan Federation of UNESCO Associations and Clubs, on 11 February and 27 October.
- Toni Carulla, on 11 February and 13 March.
- Paul Ortega, Director of the UNESCO Centre of the Basque Country, on 12 February.
- Ignasi Boada and Rafa Crespo, on 13 February.
- Marta Ribes, Spanish TV journalist, on 17 February.
- Ismael Garcia Villarejo and Mariano Reyes, Editor and Assistant Editor, respectively, of the magazine **AIB**, *After the Bell España*, on 17 February.
- Jordi Sànchez, Director of the Jaume Bofill Foundation, on 18 February.
- Joaquim Casal and Artur Bladé, of the General Directorate of Universities, on 18 February.
- Mònica Sabata, of the Social Forum of the Mediterranean, on 19 February.

- Jordi Torra, of the Catalan Forum for the Right to Self-determination, on 25 February.
- Roser Pubill, of the Catalan Encyclopaedia Foundation, on 5 March.
- Marta Mendiola Gonzalo, of the Basque Country, human rights expert, on 5 March.
- Manuela Gómez and Irene de Puig, of the Research Institute for the Teaching of Philosophy, on 6 March;
- Manuela Gómez, on 14 May.
- Miquel Segura, of the UNESCO Association of Igualada, on 6 March and 26 September.
- Joan Botam, of the Ecumenical Centre of Catalonia, on 7 March.
- Teresa Roca and Joan Carles Brugué, of the Pacis Foundation, on 7 March.
- Núria Sastre, of the Roda Ventura Jurists Group, on 12 March.
- Mònica Vergés, of the Center Flor Cirera, of the Manresa Resource Centre, on 13 March.
- Rosa Férez, of Clowns without Borders, on 18 March.
- Josep Miralles, President of Intermon, on 18 March.
- Mercè Janer, of the Department of Training of the Barcelona Police, on 19 March.
- Jordi Rodó and Arnau Queralt, of the Advisory Council for Sustainable Development, on 19 March; Arnau Queralt also visited the UNESCO Centre of Catalonia on 3 April.
- Joaquim Colomines, lecturer in political science at the Ramon Llull University and the Autonomous University of Barcelona, on 20 March.
- Helena Orella, official of the cooperation section of UNESCO Etxea, on 28 March.
- Thubten Wang Chen, Tibet House official, on 1 April, and on 10 December together with the Director of the
- Bartomeu March Foundation, Palma de Mallorca.
- Bartomeu Melià, Guarani language expert, on 1 April.
- Joan Ramon Rodoreda and Anna Maria Dunjó, of the Minerva Athenaeum, on 1 April.
- Josep Carbonell, Member of the Catalan Parliament, on 2 April.
- Rosa Seguí and Eugènia Salvador, from the Easy Reading Book project, on 2 April.
- Núria Miravet, who presented the projects 'Tell me...' and 'The magic wardrobe', on 4 April.
- Mònica Sabata, Carles Torner and Aureli Argemí, of the Follow-up Committee for the Universal Declaration of Linguistic Rights, on 4 April and 4 September.
- Lurdes Borrell, who presented the project 'Music for peace', on 8 April.
- Stefano Porteli, water expert, on 9 April.
- Laia Capdevila, of Ecoclubs, on 9 April.
- Jordi Rodó and Arnau Queralt, of the Advisory Council for Sustainable Development, and Joan Prats, of the International Institute on Governance, on 10 April.
- Montserrat Casals, of the Congress of Catalan Culture Foundation, on 11 April.
- Gorka Espiau, of Elkarri, on 10 April and 25 September.
- Eugènia Salvador, of the Easy Reading book project, on 11 April.
- Eva Sòria, human rights consultant, on 14 April.
- Grau Serra, of the Milana Bonita production company, on 14 April.
- Josep Germain, of the Catalan Institute of Natural History, on 16 April.
- Marta Segarra and Àngels Carabi, of the UNESCO Chair on Women, on 22 April.
- Meritxell Mir, journalist with the Europa Press agency, on 22 April.
- Lluís Bernabé, journalist, on 25 April.

- Judit Estrada, on 28 April.
- Miquel Strubell, on 30 April.
- Enric Carrera, of the UNESCO Chair on Sustainable Development at the UPC, on 30 April.
- Eduard Vallory and Marta Rosàs, of the Catalan Scouts, on 30 April.
- Jordi Porta, President of Òmnium Cultural, on 6 May.
- Laura López, of Amnesty International, on 7 May.
- Joan Carles Jara, of the La Salle school in Manresa, on 13 May.
- Neus Forcano, of the Sagrat Cor school in Barcelona, on 13 May.
- Diana González, of the association Bicycle Club of Catalonia, on 15 May.
- Pedro Ibarra, of the Betiko Foundation, on 16 May.
- Mònica Planas, of the Frequències school of music, on 20 May.
- Antoni Matabosch, on 14 May and 27 November. Antoni Matabosch, together with Oriol Trunyí and Ester
- Giménez Salinas, Rector of the Ramon Llull University, on 28 May.
- Josep Ferrer, head of publications of Great Works of the Catalan Encyclopaedia, on 21 May.
- Miriam Subirana, President of Brahma Kumaris, on 22 May.
- Maria Eugènia Conill, of the Catalan TV programme Tarasca, on 22 May.
- Daniel Bernal, coordinator for Catalonia of the Ignasi Villalonga Institute for Economics and Business, on 28 May.
- Metin Katalan and Carles Quatrecasas, from the Fraternity in Time project, on 3 June.
- Martí Olivella and Joan Ramon Gordo, from the Delibera Interactive Participation Services, on 4 June.
- Francesc Ventura and Mossén Josep M. Aragonès, of the Marca del Penedès Association, on 5 June.
- Kiku Mistu, Director of the Imaginary Cultural Centre, on 5 June.
- Francesc Boada, Director of Editorial Proa, on 10 June.
- Joan Bosch. Dominican, on 11 June.
- Alejandro Sierra, Director of Editorial Trotta, on 23 June.
- Jaume Singla, Editor of the magazine *La Veu de l'Ancòia*, on 25 June.
- Stefano Puddu, designer and Faino official, on 26 June.
- Josune Uriarte, President of Urdaibairen Ezagupenerako Taklea, a UNESCO Centre set up in the Basque Country, in the framework of the Urdaibair reservation, on 1 July.
- Josep de Mirandés, Director of the Catalan Institute for Superendowment, on 8 July.
- Grau Serra and Roger Sogues, of the international project 'In my own words', on 10 July.
- Maria Llop, graduate in journalism, on 15 July.
- Sebastià Larra, indigenous consultant, on 15 July.
- Ignasi González, lecturer at the ESDI College of Design, on 8 July.
- Josep Castells, President of the Catalan Association of Professionals, on 17 July.
- Joan Codina, external consultant of the UNESCO Youth Unit, on 25 July.
- Diana González, of the Bicycle Club of Catalonia, on 28 July.
- Joaquim Llimona and Anna Déu, of the General Secretariat for External Relations of the Generalitat de Catalunya, on 28 July.
- Natàlia González, of Caritas, on 29 July.
- Josep Maria Xercavins, of UBUNTU, on 29 July.

- Guillen Riambau, on 29 July.
- Sergi Ainó, on 4 September.
- Francesc Fàbregues, intern, on 8 September.
- Adela Ros and Elisabet Guillemat, of the European Institute of the Mediterranean, on 9 September.
- Anna Pallarès, former President of the International Movement of Catholic Students (IMCS), on 16 September.
- Rosa Costapau, of the Society of Community Studies and Investigation, on 17 September and in her capacity as official from the Catalan Observatory on Health Education, on 22 October.
- Josep M. Conesa, on 19 September.
- Antoni Samsó and Àlex Sagnier, of Tibidabo Parish, Barcelona, on 19 September.
- Inongo Vi Makomé, on 26 September.
- Xavier Masdeu, priest, on 30 September.
- Arcadi Oliveres and Jordi Armadans, on 30 September.
- Josef W. Eisele, Swiss General Consul in Barcelona, on 14 October.
- Mallku Negre, of the Five Continents Solidarity Association, on 23 September and 8 October.
- Josep Borràs, of Ecoconcern, on 10 October.
- Cristina Barchi, of the magazine *Camper*, on 15 October.
- Marta Gay, of the Peace Foundation, on 15 October.
- Josep Alert, of Cal Ble in Igualada, on 29 October.
- Marc Taxonera, from Montserrat Abbey, on 29 October.
- Javier Ruiz, Portella, promoter of the Manifesto against the death of the spirit, on 30 October.
- Imma Tortajada, of the *Dossier Econòmic*, on 4 November.
- Joan Cendra, promoter of the project Bridges for mediation, of the International Association for Conflict Management, on 5 November.
- Miquel Petit, on 5 November.
- Jesús Vicenç and Àngels Canadell, of the project 'Philosophy of the Earth', on 13 November.
- Marta Matarín, of Brahma Kumaris, on 13 November.
- Àngels Mataró, Director of the United Nations Association, on 18 November.
- Màrius Tàrrega, Councillor for Culture of Sant Adrià Town Council, and Jaume Vallès, promoters of the international meeting of Santadrianites, on 18 November.
- Víctor Pallejà, translator and Sufi expert, on 26 November.
- Xavier Melloni, theologian, on 27 November.
- Ferran Camps, Technical Director of the Grec association, Conflict Resolution, to present the project A game of peace, on 2 December
- Pilarín Bayés, draughtswoman, on 2 December.
- Miquel Siguan, on 3 December.
- Mohamed Chaib and Joan Surroca, of Citizens for Change, on 4 December.
- Mònica Martínez, anthropologist, on 4 December.
- Montse Ayats, from Eumo publishers, on 16 December.

Publications

In January the UNESCO Centre of Catalonia published its **Annual Report 2003**, which is available for consultation on the Centre's website. There was information on the portal **entitats.info** on 24 January.

The UNESCO Centre of Catalonia and the United Nations Association published the Catalan version of the **Annual Report on the Work of the Organisation**, by Kofi A. Annan, Secretary General of the United Nations, in September. This was reported in December in **Diàleg revista interactiva per entendre l'actualitat** on the website **terricabras.filosofia.info**

The UNESCO Centre of Catalonia, as in previous years, published the **Informe sobre el Desenvolupament Humà 2003**. The officials of the organisations publishing the report met at the centre's premises on 26 June to coordinate this year's publication. The publishers of the Catalan version are the United Nations Association, Catalonia; the UNESCO Chair in Technology, Sustainable Development, Imbalances and Global Change at the Polytechnic University of Catalonia; the UNESCO Centre of Catalonia, and the Red Cross Catalonia. The publication is possible thanks to the collaboration of the Department of Universities, Research and Information Society of the Generalitat de Catalunya; the Barcelona Provincial Corporation; the Caixa Sabadell Foundation, and the 'Sa Nostra' Social and Cultural Foundation. The original English version was presented in Dublin on 8 July and there was ample coverage in the newspapers **Avui**, **La Vanguardia**, **El Punt** and **El Periódico** on 9 July; information in the magazine **Sostenible** of the Network of Cities and Towns for Sustainability, on 17 July. The Catalan edition was presented on 18 September in Barcelona at an event addressed by Stefano Pettinato, political advisor of the office responsible for producing the

Report on Human Development The magazine **Dossier Econòmic de Catalunya** published an interview with Stefano Pettinato on 27 September. Coverage in the newspaper **El Punt** on 24 September. There was information on the portal **Breus de Medi Ambient de la UPC** on 16 September and on the portal **entitats.info** on 29 September. An article by Llibert Ferri in the magazine **El Temps** on 7 October, an article by Carles Duarte in **Diari de Tarragona** on 4 November. It appeared as a 'recommended book' on the portal **tribuna catalana.org** on 17 December. The officials of the organisations publishing the UNDP met on 2 December at the premises of the UNESCO Centre of Catalonia with a view to next year's edition.

In October the UNESCO Centre of Catalonia published a pdf version of the text **The Seven Necessary Kinds of Knowledge for the Education of the Future**, a report by Edgar Morin for UNESCO, which the Centre had published on paper in 2000. Information on **entitats.info** on 28 October.

The UNESCO Centre of Catalonia has issued several publications, which are covered in detail in other sections of this same report: **L'estat del món 2003** (see page 34), **Descobrir l'estat del món** (see page 35), **Medi Ambient: anuari d'entitats catalanes 2003** (see page 36), **Signes vitals 2003** (see page 36), **Calendari interreligiós 2003-2004** (see page 41), **D'una Terra a un món. Recapitulació de la Comissió Mundial sobre Medi Ambient i Desenvolupament** (see page 36), the magazine **Entrellat** (see page 15), and **Les biblioteques públiques: espais d'integració social** (see page 15).

Some of the media reported on publications by the UNESCO Centre of Catalonia during the year 2002. Number 36 of the magazine **Debat nacionalista**,

winter 2003, published a review of the book *Ecoeconomia* and one of *L'estat del món*, number 322 of *Cuadernos de Pedagogía*, in March, reported on the first number of the *Nuevo Correo de la UNESCO*, number 11 of the magazine *Gea* published a review of *Signes Vitals 2002*, the magazine *Guix* published a review in January of Mercè Escardó's book *La biblioteca, un espai de convivència, un espai educador*; the *Diari de Terrassa* published a review on 18 September of the book *Vine a la festa*, an educational textbook aimed at teachers of religion in secondary schools.

Information and documentation

The staff of the UNESCO Centre of Catalonia, by means of talks, articles and radio or television interviews, inform on UNESCO's various local or international activities and spread the ideas of the relevant thematic fields.

Raimon Ribera, Director of the Centre, gave the following talks: presentation of the Martin the Humane University Foundation, in La Garriga, on 3 April; presentation of the Parliament of the World's Religions in Vilanova i la Geltrú, on 25 April; presentation of the Parliament of the World's Religions, on 12 July, in Igualada, during the course of the meeting of the board of directors of the Catalan Federation of UNESCO Associations and Clubs; talk on 'The indispensable dialogue between religions', in Manresa, on 2 October, in the framework of the programme 'Manresa in dialogue'; presentation of the Parliament of the World's Religions, on 2 November, in the framework of the initiative 'The agora, a step forward', organised by the Forum Barcelona 2004; a talk on 'Dialogue between cultures, dialogue between religions', in Vilafranca del Penedès, on 6 November and at the Tertúlia Fonda Riera, in La Riera de Gaià, on 8 November; 'Understanding and tolerance: the wisdom of listening', at an event organised in Barcelona on 16 November by the association Brahma Kumaris to mark International Tolerance Day; 'The currency of inter-religious dialogue' at the Club of Rome Group in Bilbao, on 19 November; 'The indispensable dialogue between religions', at the Institute of Theology of Bilbao, at an event on 19 November organised by Barandiaran Kristau Alkartea and UNESCO Etxea, which was amply covered in the diocesan magazine *Alkarren Bari* in December; 'The challenge of the Parliament of the World's Religions, at Asia House in Barcelona on 26 November; 'The Parliament of Religions: a space for talking in freedom', at the La Marineta Cultural

Centre, Mollet del Vallès, on 27 November, in the framework of the series of talks 'Freedom in religious traditions'; address at the presentation of Xavier Melloni's book *L'U en la multiplicitat* at the Christianity and Justice Study Centre, in Barcelona, on 4 December.

Fèlix Martí, Honorary President of the Centre, gave the following talks: 'Catalonia at UNESCO', to the Hayek Debate Group, in Barcelona, on 16 January; talk to the boy scouts, in Barcelona, on 25 January; at the parish church of Sant Ildefons in Barcelona, on 10 February; at the Second Health Reflection and Debate day, organised at the Vall d'Hebron Hospital in Barcelona, on 14 February; at the dinner-debate on 'Islam and the West: ideas for shaping a liberal vision', organised in Barcelona on 25 February by the Freedom and Democracy Foundation; 'Towards a world ethic', in Igualada, at an event organised by the Archpriestship of Anoia, on 3 March; 'Education in the 21st century', at the assembly hall of the Balmes Piarist School in Barcelona; on 5 March; to the round table held in Igualada on 7 March on the occasion of the 50th anniversary of the scout movement; at the Sarrià Piarist School in Barcelona on 'Active education, today', on 15 March; a talk on 'What hope is there in the present cultural and political life', at the XI Forum held in Vitoria, organised by the Popular Religious Forum Association on 16 March; at the debating session on 'Educating in social and political commitment', organised by the Schools Council of Catalonia, on 31 March, in Barcelona; 'Cultural policies', at the University of Barcelona, on 3 April; 'Health and sickness of democratic life', at the University of Barcelona, at an event organised by the Platform in Defence of Democratic Freedoms, on 8 April, which was reported in the newspaper *Avui* on 9 April; inaugural beginning of term lecture at the Martin the Humane Foundation, University College

in La Garriga, on 'Decadence and refounding of democracy', on 23 April; 'Hypothesis on the future of the Christian experience', in the framework of the talks organised by Espai Obert, in Barcelona, on 26 April; talk on 'The impact of cultural pluralism in organisations', at the Esade Forum held in Barcelona on 5 May; talk at the Faculty of Medicine of the University of Barcelona, at the Vall d'Hebron in Barcelona, on 13 May; at the event 'Choirs for peace', organised in Barcelona on 15 May; talk on 'Cultural, social and political projects for the 21st century, in El Prat de Llobregat, on the occasion of the award of the president of honour of the Association of Friends of UNESCO of El Prat de Llobregat, on 27 May, at an event in which Raimon Ribera also took part to present the award-winner; on 1 July, in San Sebastián, at the University of the Basque Country's Summer School, where he took part in a round table; 2 July, in the framework of the same summer school, he gave a talk on the future of languages; on 4 July, a talk on 'Permanence and renewal of religions', as an inaugural lecture at the III Meeting on Identity and Religious Pluralism, organised in Barcelona by the Vidal i Barraquer Foundation, with the collaboration of the UNESCO Association for Inter-Religious Dialogue; at the presentation of the book *Educar en política*, in Reus, on 8 July; on 1 October, a talk on 'Considerations on the future of the Catalan language', to mark the tenth anniversary of the Platform for the Language, of which there was a summary by Jaume Sobrequés in the newspaper *Avui* on 5 October; there was also coverage on the portals *entitats.info* and *tribuna catalana.org* on 22 September and on the portal *vilaweb.com* on 1 October; a talk on 'Critique of the proposals for European identity', in Vic, at an event organised by the Centre for Cultural Diffusion of the Bishopric of Vic and by the Caixa de Manlleu Foundation, on 16 October; a talk in Palma de Mallorca, on 18 October, at an event organised by Mallorca Youth for the Language, in the framework of the Social Forum; on 21 October, a talk addressed to members of the Goldin Institute, meeting in Manresa from 19 to 26 October; on

25 November, a talk on 'Possible solutions for peace in the world', at the Poble Nou Cultural Centre in Barcelona, organised by the JCI Forum; on 27 November, at the Arizmendi *ikastola* in Arrasate, on 'Conflict in the today's world'; also on 27 November, in Mondragón, on 'Peaceful revolutions for the 21st century', at an event organised by the Basque Foundation Gizabidea.

Miquel Martí gave the following talks: on 'The objectors' school of Barbiana', in the series 'Pacifist teachers', organised by Justice and Peace, in Barcelona, on 6 February; at the round table on 'The role of NGOs, now and here', which took place in El Prat de Llobregat, organised by the UNESCO Association of El Prat de Llobregat on 27 February; at the meetings on 'Woman and the culture of peace', held on 8 March in Seville, organised by the Seville UNESCO Club; 'The United Nations and the war situation in Iraq', on 9 April, at the Besós Civic Centre in Barcelona; on 23 April, at the event in honour of old age, which took place in L'Ametlla del Vallès; on 28 April, a talk on 'Education for peace in Europe', at the XIII International Meetings on Culture and Peace in Gernika, which took place from 26 to 29 April; at the round table on peace and conflict-resolution organised by the Pompeu Fabra University on 20 May; an inaugural talk at the Veritas Institute in Pozuelo de Alarcón, on 25 September; a talk on 'The Barbiana teaching' at the Ramon Llull University's Escola Blanquerna, in Barcelona, on 5 November; the same talk on 'The Barbiana teaching', to another group also at the Escola Blanquerna, on 6 November.

Sergi Rovira gave the following talks: to the round table on 'The Johannesburg summit, six months later', which took place at the Faculty of Sciences of the University of Girona, organised by the Department of the Environment of the Generalitat de Catalunya and the Institute of the Environment of the University of Girona, on 25 February, which was covered in the newspaper *El Punt* on the same day; on the Johannesburg summit, at the Association of

Environment Professionals, in Barcelona, on 26 February; at the Green Schools Forum, in Olot, on 14 March; at the meeting 'Youth and sustainability: environment, society and consumption', organised in Barcelona on 18 March by the General Secretariat for Youth of the Generalitat de Catalunya in the framework of the Agenda 21 in Catalonia; in Sant Lloç, ~~Sall, topeset~~ *L'estat del món*, on 21 March; at the Jaume Sobrequés secondary school in Girona, on 25 March; in Igualada, to present *L'estat del món*, at an event organised by Cal Ble, on 27 March; in El Prat de Llobregat, a talk on 'Peace and sustainability', on 15 May; at the Joan Oliva i Milà library in Vilanova i la Geltrú, to present *L'estat del món*, on 5 June; at the Pere Calders secondary school in Bellaterra, to present *L'estat del món*, on 5 June; on 9 December, in Alcoi, he presented the teaching unit *Descobrir l'estat del món*, also on 9 December, also in Alcoi, with the collaboration of the Department of Social Welfare of Alcoi Town Council, he presented the *Informe sobre el Desenvolupament Humà 2003*.

Sara Batet gave the following talks: presentation of the teaching material *Descobrir l'estat del món*, on 2 July, in Olot, during the course of the Third Catalan Week of Environmental Education, organised by the Olot Further Education Foundation and the Catalan Society for Environmental Education; presentation of *Descobrir l'estat del món* at the Font d'en Fargas Centre in Barcelona, on 14 November; presentation of the material *Descobrir l'estat del món* at the Sustainable Barcelona Resource Centre, in the framework of a workshop directed at secondary teachers, on 6 November; presentation of the material *Descobrir l'estat del món*, in the framework of the debates of the Environmental Education Athenaeum, organised by the Catalan Society for Environmental Education, on 26 November.

Ferran Cabrero gave a talk on 23 January at the Can Déu Civic Centre in the Les Corts neighbourhood in Barcelona, on 'Culture and globalisation'.

Amparo Vázquez gave a talk on 'The press in the classroom: a tool for the curriculum and for educating in values', at the XVII Press and Education Congress, organised in Barcelona from 27 to 29 November by the Barcelona Centre for Communication and Education.

Raimon Ribera. Director of the Centre, published the following texts: 'Iraq 2003: war in the 21st century', in number 13 of the magazine *Hiperbòlic*, a periodical university publication, in May; the text 'Room to speak', in number 6 of the magazine *Dialogal* 'The human right to spirituality', in the bulletin of the Catalan Federation of NGOs for Human Rights *Notícies pels Drets Humans* May-June; 'After the demonstrations' in the magazine *Debat juvenil*, of the National Youth Council of Catalonia, for summer 2003.

Fèlix Martí, Honorary President of the Centre, published the following texts: 'Universal Forum of Cultures, Barcelona 2004, a necessary invention' in the magazine *Infoente* in January, the article 'What shall we do with Europe's Christian roots?' in the February issue of the magazine *Foc Nou*, the chapter 'To reply to global problems', in the book *Educar en la política*, coordinated by Eduard Vallory, and presented in Barcelona on 4 February; the article 'How to favour the Culture of Peace', on the website of the International Institute of Governability, on 10 April, in the framework of the publication of the talks to the Figueres castle International Meeting for the Culture of Peace, held on 15 February; a prologue for the book *L'eix del mal: de Déu a la humanitat* by Joaquim Sala i Pujolràs, published by L'Albí/Idees in April and presented in public on 14 June; 'Catalonia on the international agenda' in the magazine *Presència* on 11 July; 'Catalonia's part on the international agenda' in number 15/16 of the magazine *Idees* 'Celebrating politics' in number 11 of the magazine *L'Opinió Catalana*, 'Sick democracy', in number 51 of the magazine *Europa de les Nacions* in September; the chapter '10 theses for a plausible

THE LIBRARY OF THE UNESCO CENTRE OF CATALONIA

The library of the UNESCO Centre of Catalonia has a collection specialising in UNESCO publications and related subjects such as human rights, education for peace, development, environment and cultural minorities.

The collection consists of more than 12,700 volumes of monographs. The library receives some 250 periodical publications, including bulletins, magazines and press releases. The collection receives UNESCO grey literature and prepares a press library with local press cuttings referring to UNESCO and the organisation's activities.

Because of the nature of the collection, the documentation is directed mainly at the university community, students, researchers and other professionals. The library is open from Monday to Friday from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. The library offers a consultation service and replies to all requests for documentary and bibliographic information it receives, whether by post, telephone or email. To inform of acquisitions, the library publishes an electronic bulletin of the new materials it receives and circulates it to the different UNESCO networks in the Catalan cultural area and to anyone requesting it.

Since 1995 the library's bibliographic collection can also be consulted through the Collective Catalogue of the Universities of Catalonia (<http://www.cbuc.es/ccuc>), where integration of the collection continues. Susanna Martí attended the meeting organised on 15 October by the Consortium of Libraries of Catalonia to assess the work done and discuss future partnerships.

Through the library, support is given to the coordination of the Group of Catalan Libraries Associated to UNESCO.

future for languages and cultures' in the book ***Plurilingüisme i educació: els reptes del segle XXI*** published by the ICE of the University of Barcelona in September; the article 'Autonomous functions' in number 7 of the magazine ***Dialogal*** in October; the volume ***Consideracions sobre el futur de la fe cristiana***, published by Editorial Claret as number 4 of the collection Espai Obert, in October; the chapter 'The future of religions, Christianity and Islam in Europe', in the book ***Liberalism in Christianity and Islam***, published in October by the European Liberal Democrats.

Miquel Martí published: the article 'Television in Barbiana' in the Milani Group's magazine ***Educar(nos)*** for January-March.

Sergi Rovira published the article 'The perception of environmental security' in the digital magazine ***lles Seguretat.org*** on 7 November.

Ferran Cabrero published various articles: 'Korbandy, or the causes of the New Sudan in Catalonia', in the newspaper ***Diari de la pau*** on 21 February; 'Spirituality in Amerindia' in number 6 of the magazine ***Dialogal*** '(Indigenous) peoples of the United Nations' in the newspaper ***El Punt*** on 7 July.

Sílvia Cedó and Daniel Mundet published the article 'Training police officers for a multicultural society' in number 25/26 of the magazine *Àmbits de política i societat* spring 2003.

Sílvia Cedó collaborated in the preparation of a text for the book *Gestionar la diversitat. Reflexions i experiències sobre les polítiques d'immigració a Catalunya*, published by the European Institute of the Mediterranean.

Àlex Cosials and Susanna Martí published the article 'Interprofessional meetings: Public libraries, spaces for social integration', in the magazine *Mgra Info* number 7.

Àlex Cosials published the article 'Public library and social cohesion' in the July/August number of the magazine *Educación y biblioteca*.

Susanna Martí published the review 'Entrellat' in the September/October number of the magazine *Document* of the Official College of Librarians and Documentalists of Catalonia.

Amparo Vázquez published the article 'Multiculturalism and languages: proposals for work-

ing in the classroom', in number 191 of the magazine *Literatura infantil y juvenil* in March.

Alain Blomart published the article 'A new perspective for teaching the history of religions in Catalonia', in the magazine *Revista d'Igualada* in April.

Dolors Reig published the article 'Linguapax. Educating for peace through language learning and social sciences', in the magazine *Xarxa* in March.

Raimon Ribera was interviewed on TV3 on 30 March on the special programme *Diari de la Guerra*, on Catalunya Ràdio on 14 October; on Tele Vilafranca on 6 November; on Radio Popular de Bilbao on 19 November; on Radio Euskadi on 23 November; on the Basque station Herri Irratia, on 10 December.

Fèlix Martí was interviewed for the programme Samarkanda on 15 January; for the newspaper *Deia* on 17 February; by Ràdio 4 on 3 March; by Radio Popular de San Sebastian on 13 March; by Radio Euskadi in Vitoria on 14 March, for the TV3 programme 'Bon dia Catalunya' on 31 March; for number 13, spring 2003, of the magazine ONGC; for the programme 'Paraules de Vida' on Catalunya Ràdio on 4 April; for El Prat Ràdio on 26 May; for the

WEBSITES

The Centre provides information on its activities and objectives through various websites. The number of visits to these websites in the course of the year is as follows:

Visits to www.unescocat.org 52,019

Visits to www.linguapax.org 32,392

Visits to www.tots.net 10,875

Visits to www.allofus.net 6,419

On 14 February the prizes awarded by Yahoo for the best websites of the year in Catalan were presented. The Linguapax website was one of the winners in the the 2002 edition.

portal **tribunacatalana.org** on 15 September; for the psychology magazine **Aloma**, of the Ramon Llull University, in June; for Com Ràdio on 2 October, for the newspaper **Avui** on 18 October.

Miquel Martí was interviewed for the science programme 'Seu i debat', on Valencia's Canal 9, on 17 January; for the newspaper **El Faro de Vigo** on 29 January, for the newspaper **La Opinión**, of Santa Cruz de Tenerife, on 31 January; the same day, on the occasion of the DENIP, by the EFE Agency, by Antena 3-TV and by Televisión Canaria; in number 65 of the magazine **Torreón** of the José Antonio Valenzuela de la Victoria primary school in Cordoba, for March; for Ràdio Sant Feliu de Llobregat on 2 April.

Onno Seroo was interviewed on 2 April for the **room17.org** website of the Conference of NGOs with adviser status to the United Nations, on the occasion of the meeting of the United Nations Human Rights Commission.

Onno Seroo was interviewed in number 15 of the magazine **ONGC**, which came out in the autumn.

Sergi Rovira was interviewed on TV Vilafranca on 11 March, along with Lluís Garcia; for the programme **L'intermitent** on Ràdio Girona-Ser on 16 March; on Ràdio Estel on 17 March; by Prat Ràdio on 14

May; on Ràdio Estel's programme Planeta Blau on 29 May; for Ràdio Estel's programme **Catalunya en Plural** on 28 May, in the June issue, number 20, of the school magazine **La xinxeta**, by the Migdia primary school in Girona; on Ràdio Alcoi on 9 December.

Sara Batet was interviewed by Ràdio Sampedor on 14 February.

The UNESCO Centre of Catalonia is one of the organisations behind the Internet portal **oneworld.net**, promoted by the Just One World Foundation, which provides information on the work of various NGOs for peace, human rights and the environment. This portal regularly reports on the activities of the Centre.

The UNESCO Centre of Catalonia is one of the organisations forming **entitats.info**, an Internet portal set up with the object of becoming a point for exchanges in cultural activity relating to the defence of Catalan culture and language.

In February, for the second time, the UNESCO Centre of Catalonia deposited part of its historical and administrative archives in the National archives of Catalonia. Part of the documentation deposited by the UNESCO Centre of Catalonia has been provisionally housed in a room provided by the Benedictine nuns of Carrer Angli in Barcelona.

Finances

The budget for the year 2003, approved by the assembly on 16 December 2002, was of 1,385,184 euros. The finances of the UNESCO Centre of Catalonia are audited by the firm of Forward Economics SL, who made a favourable report.

The income consists of the contributions by the seven member foundations on the board, the contribution by the Generalitat de Catalunya and other public or private institutions.

Organisations and institutions giving financial support or contributions for specific projects by the UNESCO Centre of Catalonia, or by one or another of its fields of activity, during 2003:

Department of Government and Institutional Relations of the Generalitat de Catalunya.
 Presidential Department of the Generalitat de Catalunya.
 Presidential Department of the Generalitat de Catalunya. Office of Governance.
 Presidential Department of the Generalitat de Catalunya. General Secretariate for Youth.
 Department of Justice and Interior of the Generalitat de Catalunya.
 Department of Culture of the Generalitat de Catalunya.
 Department of Culture of the Generalitat de Catalunya. General Directorate for Linguistic Policy.
 Department of the Environment of the Generalitat de Catalunya.
 Department of Social Welfare of the Generalitat de Catalunya.
 Department of Education of the Generalitat de Catalunya.
 Department of Education of the Generalitat de Catalunya. General Directorate of Educational Planning.
 Department of Health and Social Security of the Generalitat de Catalunya. General Directorate for Drug-dependencies and Aids.
 UNESCO
 General Directorate of Work and Social affairs of the European Commission.
 Organisation for Security and Cooperation in Europe (OSCE). High Commission for National Minorities.
 Spanish International Cooperation Agency of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs.
 Barcelona City Council. General services.
 Barcelona City Council. Department of Civil Rights.
 Barcelona City Council. Municipal Institute of Education.
 Barcelona City Council. Coordination of Civil Rights.
 Barcelona City Council. Commission for Sustainability, Urban Services and the Environment.
 Barcelona County Corporation. Presidential Department. International Relations Office.
 Barcelona County Corporation. Department of Culture. Libraries Service.
 Barcelona County Corporation. Department of the Environment.
 Termcat.
 Advisory Council for Sustainable Development of Catalonia.

Catalonia Foundation.
Catalan Congress of Culture Foundation.
Catalan Encyclopaedia Foundation.
Jaume Bofill Foundation.
Joan Miró Foundation.
Peace Foundation.
Roca Galès Foundation.
Caixa Sabadell Foundation.
Rockefeller Foundation.
'Sa Nostra' Social and Cultural Foundation, Caixa de Balears.
Red Cross Catalonia.
Universal Forum of Cultures Barcelona 2004.
Festival of Religious Music of Girona.
College of Journalists.
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