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YOUTH
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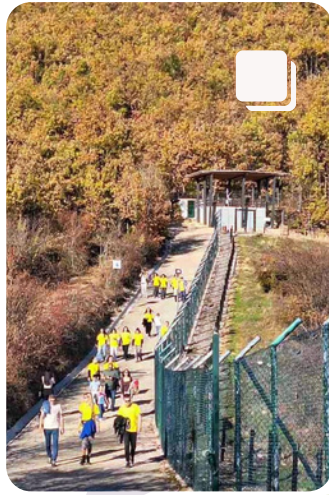


Successful Completion of ACDC's Third Cycle of Youth Camps

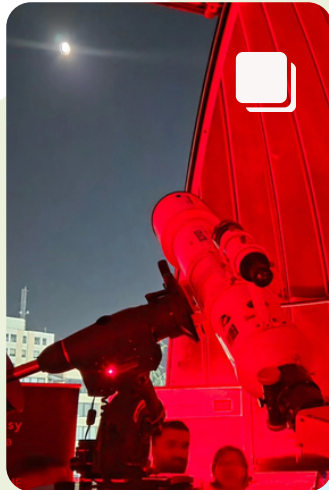
From October 17 to 19, 2025, the NGO ACDC organized the third cycle of youth camps in Brezovica. Surrounded by autumn landscapes, young people from different communities gathered to learn and explore the power of language and dialogue in building mutual understanding. The camp demonstrated that language and culture are key tools for creating a more tolerant society and strengthening trust among youth.

This program is part of the project "Youth Empowered through Inclusive Schools and Societies (YESS)", funded by the UN Secretary-General's Peacebuilding Fund and implemented by UNICEF and IOM Kosovo.





Within the youth camps, new initiatives were launched to continue bringing young people together through various projects across Kosovo. As part of the “Together for Tomorrow: Youth Initiative in Kosovo” project, activities were organized that connected science, nature, and culture.

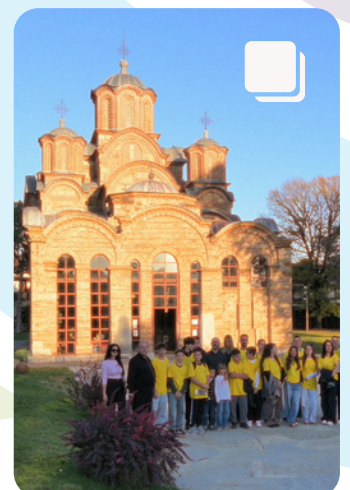
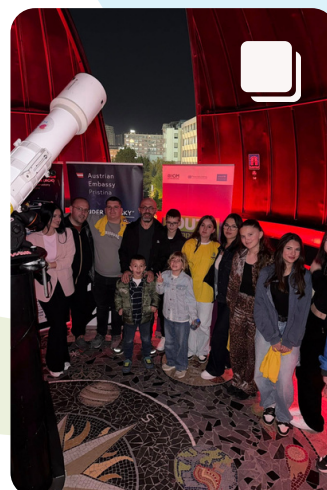


Young participants from several municipalities took part in programs where they explored astronomy with the support of the Kosovo Astronomy Club — observing the Sun, Moon, and planets, and learning through interactive lectures at the Observatory in Pristina.



The program also included visits to cultural and natural landmarks such as the Archaeological Museum in Prizren, the Gračanica Monastery, and the Bear Sanctuary, allowing participants to gain new knowledge about history, culture, and environmental protection.

All activities contributed to the main goal of the project — fostering intercultural understanding and cooperation among young people from different communities in Kosovo.



Training on Identifying and Responding to Sexual and Gender-Based Violence

During October, NGO ACDC organized training sessions dedicated to recognizing, responding to, and preventing sexual harassment and gender-based violence. The trainings brought together representatives from the judiciary, prosecution, police, the Police Inspectorate, and the civil sector, with the aim of strengthening institutional cooperation and supporting victims.

Participants were also addressed by representatives of the Canadian Fund for Local Initiatives (CFLI), which supports the implementation of the project “Breaking the Silence: Combating Sexual Harassment and Gender-Based Violence in Northern Kosovo.”



Information Sessions for Police Officers on Hate Speech and Freedom of Expression

In October, NGO ACDC organized two information sessions for police officers in North Mitrovica and Pristina on the topic of distinguishing between hate speech and freedom of expression.

The sessions were led by Habit Hajredini, Director of the Office for Good Governance, who emphasized the important role of the police in protecting human dignity and the rights of all citizens. The activities were carried out within the project “Promoting Trust through Human Rights”, implemented by NGO ACDC with the support of UNMIK.



Youth for Clean Rivers

At the end of October, NGO ACDC launched the project “Youth for Clean Rivers”, organizing training sessions on environmental protection and water preservation. Through discussions, workshops, and practical examples, young participants explored ways to contribute to a cleaner and healthier environment. The trainings were implemented with the support of GIZ, as part of Kosovo Sustainable Development Week (KSDW).

Cooperation Agreement Signed with ATRC

In October, a cooperation agreement was signed between ACDC and the Advocacy Training and Resource Center (ATRC), which foresees the implementation of joint informational and educational activities for youth from northern municipalities of Kosovo.

The goal of this cooperation is to increase young people’s knowledge and awareness of property rights, legalization and registration processes, and the importance of formal property documentation.



In October 2025, ACDC issued two public statements: The first condemned the CEC’s decision to deny accreditation to journalists from the Serbian community, calling it an act of discrimination and an attack on media freedom.



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The second, jointly with civil society, called on KFOR to take responsibility for security in northern Kosovo following an incident involving members of the Kosovo Security Force (KSF).



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ACDC Observed the Local Elections in Kosovo

The ACDC team also observed the local elections held on October 12, 2025. The organization's director, Dušan Radaković, spoke to the media about the electoral process.

More detailed statements are available at the following links.



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