

DOCUMENT OF PRESENTATION OF THE SEMINAR

This Seminar will focus on Inter-university cooperation as an important tool to help promote reconciliation between young people divided by conflicts (such as in the Middle East and in the Balkans). This cooperation will also be viewed as an essential means of contributing to intercultural and interfaith dialogue.

The meeting will provide an opportunity to discuss our respective experiences in this field. To this end, we will look at several initiatives. We will focus in particular on Israel and the Palestinian Territories, on Lebanon and Bosnia. The debate will also consider AESI and IUE commitment to fostering reciprocal knowledge and respect, both on a national and on an international level.

During the Seminar we will therefore analyze the roles of education and Academic Institutions as crucial tools of public diplomacy *in action* for young people. Tools which, from each country's domestic perspective, are also vehicles of integration for an effective management of cultural and religious diversity.

The meeting, in two sessions as roundtable format, one for the academic consideration (theories and practical observations of the coordinator of programmes) and the second of the presentation by the students and researchers of their field experience.

At the end of the seminar will be propose a common field programme in a crises areas.

The participation to the Seminar only by invitation.