

**Italy**

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**UNITWIN/UNESCO Chairs Programme**

**Progress Report**

**Period of activity: 2004-2005**

**UNESCO Chair in Human Rights, Democracy and Peace**

**Host institution: University of Padua**

**Report established by: Prof. Antonio Papisca, Chairholder**

## **I. Activities**

### **1. Academic activities**

#### **Political Science - International Relations- Human Rights**

Duration 3 years Degree Course

Target groups: Undergraduate students (350 per year)

Geographical coverage for partners and participants: National and International

Title and expected results for each courses, workshop, ect.

Advanced Master in Institutions and Politics for Human Rights and Peace

Duration 2 years Course

Target groups: graduate students (120 per year)

Geographical coverage for partners and participants: National, European and International

#### **European Master's Degree in Human Rights and Democratisation (in partnership with other**

39 European Universities

Duration 1 year Course

Target groups: graduate students (90 per year)

Geographical coverage for partners and participants European and International

Title and expected results for each courses, workshop, ect.

- XV annual post-graduate course on "European citizenship and human rights" (with the support of the Region of Veneto and in cooperation with the Ministry of Education)

- XVI annual post-graduate course on "Human Rights, human security and participative democracy, from city to UN" (with the support of the Region of Veneto)

Duration 1 year Course

Target groups: graduate students

Geographical coverage for partners and participants: National and International

**XVII annual post-graduate course on “Human Rights, international humanitarian law and humanitarian action in emergency situations”**

Duration 1 year Course

Target groups: graduate students

Geographical coverage for partners and participants: National and International

**Training**

**Training course on “Human Rights and Disability. National and International Protection Instruments” (with the support of the Region of Veneto and in cooperation with disability civil society organisations)**

Duration: 1 year

Target groups: Graduate students, Public Administrators, ONGs staff

Geographical coverage for partners and participants: National

**Training course for teachers on Human Rights, Peace, Interculturality and participatory democracy in the European Constitution (with the support of the Region of Veneto and in cooperation with the Ministry of Education)**

Duration: 1 year

Target groups: Teachers from primary and secondary education

Geographical coverage for partners and participants: National

**Research**

Research will be developed with reference to the following subjects:

- the right to peace as a fundamental right: recognition, implementation
- human rights, peace and democracy for the ‘inclusive city’
- peace, human rights, use of force

**2. Conferences/Congresses/Meetings**

**Conferences on “The European Union Future”**

Dates and place 23 and 29 March 2004, Padua,

Participants (number and geographical coverage) 150 participants - National

Title for each conference, meeting organized by the Chair/Network

**Conference on “2005, critical year for United Nations: UN reform, Tsunami, credibility crisis”**

Dates and place 19 May 2005, Padua

Participants (number and geographical coverage) 150 participants - National

Title for each conference, meeting organized by the Chair/Network

**Public Conferences of the "3 Religions Chair", a "focal point" strictly linked to the UNESCO Chair**

Dates and place 19-20-30-31 May 2005

Participants (number and geographical coverage) 100 participants - National

Title for each conference, meeting organized by the Chair/Network

**To dialogue: way to peace from local community the United Nations**

Dates and place 12 December 2005, Padua

Participants (number and geographical coverage) 100 participants - National

Title for each conference, meeting organized by the Chair/Network

**Dag Hammarskjöld 1905-2005, UN Secretary General 1953-1961**

Dates and place 27 February 2006, Padua

Participants (number and geographical coverage) 100 participants - National

**3. Inter-university Exchanges/ Partnerships**

- Exchange trip with the University of Geneva, Switzerland, 6 students received and 6 students sent on exchange
- Exchange trip in the framework of the European Master Degree in Human Rights and Democratisation

**II. Impact**

At the national level, a substantial contribution has been provided to the conceptual orientation and practical implementation of a coherent and comprehensive Project of the Ministry of Education (university and research) devoted to the formation of teachers for peace, human rights, interculturality education.

The Project is being carried out in most Italian Regions. The total figure of participants is no less than 3000 teachers. In the Region of Veneto (that took first di initiative) in cooperation with the UNESCO Chair and the Human Rights Interdepartmental Centre, 600 teachers have already been formed.

They now act as trainers of trainers.

As regards the university system, the Chair is complementary to the Interdepartmental Centre in the didactical and scientific management of two major Courses of the Faculty of Political Sciences: the 3-year Course in "Political Science –International Relations-Human Rights" and the 2-year advanced Master in "Institutions and Politics for Human Rights and Peace". The 2 Courses were established five years ago in accordance with the Law reforming the Italian university system: empirical evidence say

that they are definitely sustainable. A significant indicator: the large students attendance (roughly 45% of the total figure of students enrolled at the Faculty of Political Sciences).

Participation in the activities of the European Master Degree in Human Rights and Democratisation is ongoing, in particular by offering second semester courses and seminars in Padua and by providing thesis supervision. Cooperation with the institutions of the Region of Veneto, in particular with the Directorate for human rights, peace and development cooperation, is further devoping and improving.

Fruitful cooperation is going on with the “Coordinamento degli Enti locali per la Pace e i Diritti Umani” (National Network of Local Government Institutions for Peace and Human Rights), including 700 Municipalities, Provinces, Regions. The UNESCO Chair provides advice, speeches, etc.

The 60th anniversary of the United Nations was celebrated by many City Councils which endorsed resolutions (draft prepared by the Chair) aimed to support “strengthening and democratising the United Nations”.

In November 2004 an International Conference ‘Reclaim our United Nations’ was organized in Padua with the participation of representatives of more than 100 national and international NGOs. The Conference was marked by a very high cultural-political profile. Its documents were used during the World Social Forum 2004 in Porto Alegre.

The Chair together with the scientific staff of the Human Rights Interdepartmental Centre provided a huge contribution to the substantive preparation (papers, draft resolutions, etc.) of the 6th edition of “Assembly of the UNO Peoples” in Perugia (september 2005). The “Assembly” was followed by the traditional “Peace March Perugia-Assisi” (no less than 300.000 participants). The Chairholder offered a key note speech.

### **III. Forthcoming activities**

The Chair will continue to primarily invest in education and formation in the university and school system. A ad hoc project will be set up to educate and form a new generation of civil society leaders (NGOs, social movements) in accordance with the paradigm “peace, human rights, democracy, ‘plural’ citizenship”.

New impetus will be provided to the so-called ‘3 Religions Chair’, which is linked to the UNESCO Chair and to the Human Rights Interdepartmental Centre. Cooperation with local authorities will be increased, in order to develop mainstreaming human rights and peace culture in their policyming.

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- the right to peace as a fundamental right: recognition, implementation
- human rights, peace and democracy for the ‘inclusive city’
- peace, human rights, use of force: countering the states attempt to reappropriate

the *ius ad bellum*.

Further investment will be put in improving both substantive content and distribution of the quarterly “Pace diritti umani/ Peace human rights”.

#### **IV. Development prospects**

Action aimed at obtaining a stable permanent status of the Chair/Network in the structure of the Institution. The UNESCO Chair is ‘structurally’ placed in the institutional framework of the University of Padua-Interdepartmental Centre on Human Rights and the Rights of Peoples, that is within a public institution with all relating guarantees. In this context the UNESCO Chair has prestigious visibility and consideration. Its functioning should be considered as fully long-term sustainable.

#### **Publications**

##### *Books*

**Title: Quaderno 5, Il sapere dei diritti umani nel disegno educativo (The human rights knowledge in the educational and formational curriculum development)**

Author(S) Antonio Papisca (ed)

Publisher(s) CLEUP, Cooperativa Libreria Editrice Università di Padova

Year 2005 (2nd Edition)

Language(s) Italian

Number of pages 283

Title: Quaderno 6 (Handbook), I Diritti del bambino tra protezione e garanzie. La ratifica della Convenzione di Strasburgo sull’esercizio dei diritti dei fanciulli (Children rights protection. The Strasbourg Convention on children rights)

Author(S) Lucio Strumendo e Paolo De Stefani.

Publisher(s) CLEUP, Cooperativa Libreria Editrice Università di Padova

Year 2004

Language(s) Italian

Number of pages 190

**Title: Quaderno 7, Raccolta di strumenti internazionali sui diritti umani (International legal instruments on human rights), Second Edition**

Author(S) Paolo De Stefani

Publisher(s) CLEUP, Cooperativa Libreria Editrice Università di Padova

Year 2004

Language(s) Italian

Number of pages 636

Title: Quaderno 8, La politica della Regione del Veneto per la pace i diritti umani e la cooperazione allo sviluppo (The REGION of Veneto politics for peace, human rights

and development cooperation), Introduction by A.Papisca.  
Author(S) AA.VV.  
Publisher(s) CLEUP, Cooperativa Libreria Editrice Università di Padova  
Year 2004  
Language(s) Italian  
Number of pages 420

Title: **Quaderno 9, A scuola con i diritti dei bambini (At school with children rights)**

Author(S) Paolo De Stefani  
Publisher(s) CLEUP, Cooperativa Libreria Editrice Università di Padova  
Year 2004  
Language(s) Italian  
Number of pages 226

Title: Quaderno 10, Migranti Minori. Percorsi di riconoscimento e garanzie dei diritti dei minori stranieri non accompagnati nel Veneto (Migrant children. Recognition and guarantees of non accompanied foreign children in Veneto)

Author(S) Paolo De Stefani e Annalisa Butticci  
Publisher(s) CLEUP, Cooperativa Libreria Editrice Università di Padova  
Year 2005  
Language(s) Italian  
Number of pages 244

Title: **Quaderno 11, Diritti umani, cittadinanza europea e dialogo interculturale. Esperienze e lavori delle scuole del Veneto, a.s. 2003/2004 (Human rights, European citizenship and intercultural dialogue. Experiences and works of the Veneto schools, 2003/2004)**

Publisher(s) CLEUP, Cooperativa Libreria Editrice Università di Padova  
Year 2005  
Language(s) Italian  
Number of pages 336

Title: Quaderno 12, Politiche di genere e Nazioni Unite (Gender policies and United Nations)

Author(S) Paola Degani  
Publisher(s) CLEUP, Cooperativa Libreria Editrice Università di Padova  
Year 2005  
Language(s) Italian  
Number of pages 180

Title: **Tascabile 1 (Pocket Book), Codice internazionale dei diritti umani (The international code of human rights), Introduction by A.Papisca.**

Publisher(s) CLEUP, Cooperativa Libreria Editrice Università di Padova  
Year 2004  
Language(s) Italian  
Number of pages .....

Title: Tascabile 2 (Pocket Book), Educare alla pace e ai diritti umani: il mandato

(Education for peace and human rights: the mandate), Introduction by A.Papisca.  
Publisher(s) CLEUP, Cooperativa Libreria Editrice Università di Padova  
Year 2004  
Language(s) Italian  
Number of pages 140

Title: **Tascabile 3 (Pocket Book), La difesa civica in Italia: le leggi regionali (The Ombudsman in Italy: Regional legislation), Introduction by A.Papisca.**

Author(S)  
Publisher(s) CLEUP, Cooperativa Libreria Editrice Università di Padova  
Year 2004  
Language(s) Italian  
Number of pages 200

Title: **Tascabile 4 (Pocket Book), Pace, diritti umani e cooperazione decentrata in Italia: le leggi regionali (Peace, human rights and decentralised development cooperation in Italy: Regional legislation), Introduction by A.Papisca.**

Publisher(s) CLEUP, Cooperativa Libreria Editrice Università di Padova  
Year 2004  
Language(s) Italian  
Number of pages 260

#### *Periodicals*

**Quarterly "Pace diritti umani/peace human rights"**

Publisher(s) Marsilio, Venice  
Language(s) Italian and English

#### *Others*

Title: **Bulletin (Quarterly) "Archivio Pace Diritti Umani" (Archives Peace Human Rights)**

Publisher(s) Marsilio, Venice  
Language(s) Italian

#### **Multimedia materials**

Title: **Diritti Umani, cittadinanza europea e dialogo interculturale (Human Rights, European citizenship, intercultural dialogue)**

Producer and/or distributor (with address): Centro Interdipartimentale di ricerca e servizi sui diritti della persona e dei popoli, Università di Padova (with the support of the Region of Veneto and in cooperation with the Ministry of Education)

Year: 2005

Teaching/learning material

Type of material: CD ROM

Duration:

Format: various format files (.pdf, .htm, .doc)

Language(s): Italian

Main keywords (4 or 5): education, human rights and peace, intercultural dialogue, European citizenship, teachers training

Title: **Abc Diritti Umani. Diritti umani, pace, sviluppo, interculturalità e solidarietà nella scuola (ABC Human Rights, Human rights, peace, development, interculturality and solidarity in the school)**

Producer and/or distributor (with address): Centro Interdipartimentale di ricerca e servizi sui diritti della persona e dei popoli, Università di Padova (with the support of the Region of Veneto and in cooperation with the Ministry of Education)

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Title: **Adotta un diritto umano. Educazione alla cittadinanza e alla solidarietà: cultura dei diritti umani (Do "adopt" a human rights. Education to citizenship and solidarity: the cultural of human rights)**

Producer and/or distributor (with address): Centro Interdipartimentale di ricerca e servizi sui diritti della persona e dei popoli, Università di Padova (with the support of the Region of Veneto and in cooperation with the Ministry of Education)

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