



RESOLUTION TO

EXPLORE POSSIBILITIES TO CREATE A SPECIFIC FUND

AIMED TO HELP YOUTH ORGANISATIONS IN BELARUS TO

COVER THEIR ADMINISTRATIVE COSTS

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The Nordic-Baltic Youth Councils request the Council of Members in Brussels (May 2009) to commit the YFJ Bureau to explore possibilities to create a specific fund aimed to help youth organisations in Belarus to cover their administrative costs.

Rationale:

Nordic-Baltic Youth Councils are willing to help the Belarusian youth organisations in their difficult situation. There is also will in some of our member organisations to donate funds for development of youth participation in Belarus. The only problem to realise this is the lack of sufficient and trustworthy way to make the donation.

In our discussions with the National Youth Council in Belarus RADA we have seen a special need of resources for general administration of youth organisations. In the situation, where youth organisations can not legally exist, there are no possibilities to apply for administrative help from the government.

Therefore we urge the European Youth Forum to take this problem into account and explore the possibilities to create a fund that would help the activities of the Belarus youth by, issuing grants for general overhead costs of youth organisations (salaries, office rent, internet access etc.).