



# "Youth on the Move: Making it happen"



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17 May 2011

Congress Centre of the Royal  
Zoological Society of Antwerp

## PROGRAMME

**12:30 - 14:30 Lunch**

**14:00 - 14:25 Press Conference**

(restricted access – press only) (Darwin Hall)

**14:30 - 15:00 European Youth Awards Ceremony**

(Marble Hall)

**15:00 - 15:30 Break**

**15:30 - 17:25 Youth on the Move: making it happen**

Panel debate (Darwin Hall)

**Welcome by Leen Verbist,**

Vice-Mayor for Youth Affairs, Antwerp City Council

**Speech by José Manuel Barroso**

President of the European Commission

**Moderated panel debate with:**

**José Manuel Barroso,**

President of the European Commission

**Androulla Vassiliou,**

Commissioner for Education, Culture, Multilingualism and Youth

**Peter Matjašič,**

President of the European Youth Forum

**Lauritz B. Holm-Nielsen,**

Rector of Aarhus University, Denmark

**Ewa Krzaklewska,**

Youth Researcher, Jagiellonian University, Cracow, Poland

**Miguel Pina Martins,**

CEO, Science4You, Portugal

**Moderator:**

**Méabh McMahon,** journalist, Brussels

**Closing remarks by Androulla Vassiliou,**

Commissioner for Education, Culture, Multilingualism and Youth



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Presentation of awards to three outstanding  
European Voluntary Service projects by:

José Manuel Barroso  
President of the European Commission

Georgios Papanikolaou  
Member of the European Parliament

Androulla Vassiliou  
Commissioner for Education, Culture, Multilingualism and Youth

#### Moderators:

Dominika Rutkowska-Falorni, Melih Özkardeş (former EVS volunteers)

### The European Voluntary Service (EVS)

Funded under the Youth in Action programme,  
the EVS celebrates its 15th anniversary in 2011.  
Since 1996 around 50 000 young European volunteers  
have helped many local communities across Europe  
and beyond providing unpaid services.

At the same time, EVS volunteers receive regular training  
and a strong personal and task-related support offered by  
organisations responsible for recruiting,  
sending and hosting volunteers.

EVS is an important non-formal learning  
experience for young people, improving their job prospects  
and developing their personal and social skills.