

## EcoVisio in Action - June-August 2022!



### Greetings, dear community!

Autumn is already upon us, and we're back with a new edition of the newsletter! After a productive and busy summer, we come back with a wealth of informational materials, opportunities, experiences to brighten up your days a little.

So, let's see together what we've been doing for three months...

### News: stay informed!

[Learn more about Alianța Biciclete Chișinău](#)



## Summer camps for refugees from Ukraine

From 8 to 12 August at [EcoVillage Moldova](#) a free summer camp for refugees from Ukraine took place, designed to give them a space to relax and get to know each other. Participants enjoyed various workshops, cooked together, explored the surroundings and got acquainted with several sustainable practices. See more pictures [here](#).



## Summer camps for refugees from Ukraine

In parallel, such a camp was also organised weekly in Cociulia. Dozens of children took part in various educational and cultural activities and walks through the surrounding villages to relax and get to know more about the culture and traditions of the Republic of Moldova. We have told more [here](#) and on the [NGO Solidarity Roots page](#).



## Summer school for girls and women

On 11-13 July, the first summer school of social entrepreneurship was held for 14 girls and women from the left and right bank of the Dniester. During 3 intensive days of classes, the participants learned how to launch their own social business. See [our post](#) and [this article](#) for more information.



## Online course for Ukrainian entrepreneurs

The [Social Entrepreneurs HUB](#) team has created a 3 live ZOOM course dedicated to Ukrainians to help them understand the business culture in Moldova, some legislative issues and other important moments. The recordings in Russian are available to watch on our YouTube channel. [Click to access the playlist](#).



## Photo-documentary exhibition "Fleeing the Holocaust: Jewish refugees in the Caucasus and Asia"

The exhibition highlighted several personal stories and presented, for the first time,

## NOW - Create a good world for future generations

From 29 August to 4 September, the second training of the project took place at the social enterprise Dzikie Wino in Daliowa, Poland. Participants from Moldova, Poland

some archival documents about the evacuations of Jews from the western regions of the former Soviet Union to Central Asia during World War II. The exhibition took place at Artcor on 25-29 July. Visit the [exhibition's Facebook page](#) to see the rest of the photos and the TVR report.



## Hackathon: Rethink citizenship education in times of change

Youth workers, teacher and trainers from Moldova, Ukraine, Poland and Germany met up at EcoVillage to take part in this event and to find an answer to the question "How can we efficiently talk about civic education in these times of change?". The participants exchanged ideas, opinions and discussed relevant topics from this domain.



## Upcycling workshop for bicycle accessories

Together with the girls from Destul de Bine ("Good Enough") and Mozhem we organised an upcycling workshop where we used second hand vests, clothes and materials to make vests, patches and other creative

and Germany discussed topics related to Education for Sustainable Development, Activism and Resilience, Sustainable Development Goals, involvement of young people in social projects. A detailed post about the participants' experience will soon appear on the [EcoVisio pages](#).



## EDU+ Forum for teachers

On 24 August, the 4th edition of the EDU+ Forum took place at the "Aristotle" High School, with the active participation of 45 teachers. The forum was dedicated to the principles of non-formal education and participatory learning in schools. Participants explored theories, methods and educational tools aimed to make teaching a more sustainable process. Find more information [here](#).



## The "15 Minutes for Bikes" protest action

The August 29 protest was a "die-in" (a form of peaceful protest in which participants simulate death). We laid on the asphalt with our bikes for fifteen minutes to raise awareness among the public and the authorities about the lack of adequate infrastructure adapted to the new models of urban mobility.

reflective accessories. [Here](#) are more pictures from the workshop.

## Opportunities: get involved!

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### Calendar of activities of SE

[The Social Entrepreneurs HUB](#) has created a calendar that includes all the department's activities that will take place in September-October. Read more [here](#).



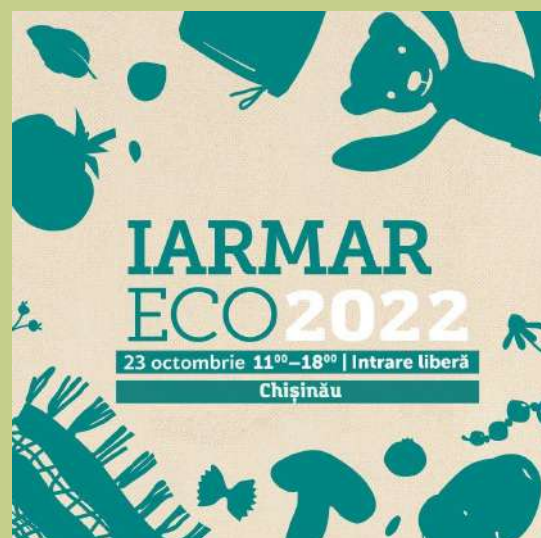
### Posters on the Move

[The Chisinau Bicycle Alliance \(Alianța Bicycliste Chișinău\)](#) invites all those who want to try their creativity at making social posters designs: creators, art students, freelancers and professional graphic designers to participate in the Posters on the Move poster campaign. The aim of the campaign is to bring mobility issues in Chisinau to the attention of the general public. Apply with a poster by 16 September [here](#).

## Opportunities: what's next?



"House insulation": trainings for villagers



Starting September 11, we will have more trainings in the villages of the country. Both villagers and families hosting refugees are invited to participate, in order to receive financial support for the insulation of their homes. See the programme [here](#).

## IarmarEco - the 10th edition

Come and celebrate with us the 10th edition of IarmarEco, a place where conscientious customers who appreciate quality products meet their preferred local producers and social entrepreneurs! We will see each other on October 23, from 11:00 to 18:00 at Central Park Ștefan cel Mare, Chișinău. [Access the event's page](#) for more details.



### Upcycling workshop for bike accessories 2.0

After a successful first edition, the upcycling workshop will return on 24 September. Details are to be published on the [Bicycle Alliance Chisinau page](#).



### Opening of the Chișinău - Butuceni route

On October 1 we will be celebrating the official opening of the off-road route Moldova on Bikes - Country roads. We invite you to come ride with us from Chișinău to EcoVillage Moldova and then to Butuceni where we will go down a few km to a canyon along Răut river. See the details [here](#).

## Useful resources

*"Sustainability in action - stories"*

Bogăția arsă - frunzele toamna



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Leaves aren't trash! The fallen leaves are precious resources for the soil and the healthiness of our products. They help retain the moisture, protect the ecosystem and nourish our soil with nutritive elements that later get into our food.



The speed at which our planet is warming under the layer of CO<sub>2</sub>, methane, water vapours and greenhouse gases causes climate change on the entire globe. You learn exactly what it means in our explicative video "Climate change - quick explanation".



What is climate change and how does it affect us? How is the Republic of Moldova facing climate change? Which areas of RM are the most affected? - you can find the answers to all of these questions in this video. In the practical part, we will tell you about 9 methods in which you can face climate change and how to collect water.



It is well known that the market demand for eco products has increased recently and lavender products are no exception. For small entrepreneurs with around 10 hectares, growing lavender organically is an option to be competitive in the global market. See how to ensure this in this video.



In recent years, consumer appetite for organic products has grown dramatically. Experience shows that, beyond fad, organic food is a necessity and supply is far below demand. An organic product means not just chemical-free farming, but a whole arsenal of extremely strict conditions or rules. In this way, the journey from pitchfork to fork is a long one.



What should you do if you get into an accident on the bicycle? We discussed with the chief of the Patrol Police to find out which are the correct steps to take if you into a car accident involving bicycles.



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## Humans of EcoVisio

Laurențiu Mutruc is one of the PR and Communication Coordinators at EcoVisio, but because his love for non-formal education knows no bounds, he also coordinates and facilitates an international training project for youth workers. It is at EcoVisio that he has found the perfect equation for being civically active in Moldova, in addition to the environmental protests (in Balti) at which you can see him breaking his voice from shouting slogans.

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