



FEE : Foundation for Environmental Education

FEE is a non profit organization created in 1981 to promote environmental education

FEE has member organization in 42 countries

FEE developps two kinds of programs

- * Sustainable tourism : Blue Flag, Green Key
- * Environmental education for young people : Eco-Schools, Learning about the Forest, Young Reporters for the Environment



YRE : Young Reporters for the Environment

The YRE program was launched in 1994 by 5 countries

Methodology

- Young people investigate **local environmental issues**
- They **go out of school** and interview the main actors of this issue
- They expose their findings (video, article, photos, website) and report to the public

Pedagogical Interests

Multidisciplinary Vs disciplinary knowledge

Opening on the outside world reality

Being **active** rather than passive

Questioning / not only answers

Developing **skills** not only knowledge



Cooperation in YRE

YRE is now developped in 15 countries : the french office of FEE is in charge of international coordination

Different level of cooperation :

- * Exchanging information : project database, articles and photo database, thematic forum, chat.
- * National cooperation
- * International cooperation : classes from different countries cooperate on the same subject
- * Mission : young reporters from different countries meet to investigate an environmental issue



Our work

In each country, national coordinators :

- Follow each project
- Coordinate and give information to its network
- show off the projects making special tools and organizing events

The international coordination :

- * Makes tools for the whole network
- * Maintains the international website
- * Organize international events

www.youngreporters.org

The Pole Program

Taking the opportunity of the International Polar Year (IPY 2007-2008) to promote environmental education in school

Target : teachers and pupils (from 11 to 20 years old) all around the world.

Objectives :

- 1/ Allow teachers to introduce environment and sustainable development in classes.
- 2/ Develop scientific projects thanks to the participation of researcher
- 3/ Develop communication between teachers and pupils living in different countries
- 4/ Increase the knowledge about our planet's mechanisms in order to raise awareness among youngsters.

The Pole Program

Launched in September 2006, the program will have two aspects

1/ A pedagogical platform

It will provide knowledge and tools to any teacher that would like to talk about poles and sustainable development in its class.

2/ The project's approach

We will propose several types of project with specific methodology, tools.

Exchange between young people and teachers developing a pole project all around the world will be encouraged.

The Pole Program : partners

Partners : french National Education Department, FEE, International Polar Foundation, Tara Arctic

Partners in discussion : ESA, CNES, French department of agriculture, French department of ecology, Unesco, french departement of research, Ademe, Météo France, Rhône-Alpes region.

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