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Annual Activities Report 2024

In 2024 the European Federation of Older Persons hold 2 meetings of its General Council:

- in Tirana, Albania, on 24th May 2024 with the attendance of 27 representatives from 13 countries
- in Pieštany, Slovakia, on 26th August 2024 with the attendance of 29 representatives from 14 countries.

In conjunction with the General Council meetings, the European Federation of Older Persons organized 2 international conferences:

- in Tirana on 25th May 2024 on the topic "National Policies on Ageing 2024. Challenges and new approaches in Albania. Issues, concepts and positions in EU countries". The conference found a great interest and was very well attended by representatives of Albanian authorities, professionals and interested persons.
- in Pieštany on 27th August 2024 on the topic "How to Take Active Care of Body and Mind When Ageing. Aiming at preserving one's capacities as long as possible".
 The conference attracted, in particular, topic oriented non-governmental organizations as well as public health and social services.

The main features of EURAG's activities during the year 2024 presented and debated in the General Council meetings were, among others:

- o EURAG's future responsibilities resulting from the fact that EURAG's President has been elected Chair of the NGO Committee on Ageing, UN Vienna
- EURAGs contributions to the UN International Day of Older Persons, IDOP 2024 on "Marginalization of Older Persons – A Significant Health Risk"
- the involvement in the organization of a conference at the UN on the topic "New Forms of Criminal Acts against (and Abuse of) Older Persons – A rapidly growing threat to vulnerable persons using ordinary and advanced communication tools"
- the future involvement of EURAG in the Platform of European Social NGOs in Brussels caused by the change of EURAG's representative
- the decision to apply again, after many years of absence, for participatory status at the Council of Europe, Strasbourg
- the work of the EURAG affiliated Society for Memory Training and Brain Jogging and its focus to develop a network of certified memory trainers for the benefit of local seniors
- the Ukrainian member reported on the disastrous situation of older persons in the war situation in the zones of combat and asked for help from EURAG
- o the fund raising among EURAG members for the Ukraine member's activities
- the program and organizational planning of the upcoming EURAG conferences in Riga in April 2025 and in Paris in October 2025.