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## INTRODUCTION

2014 was a year of spirituality, peace, reconciliation, respect of diversity and remembering.

TPO Foundation implemented four great projects: “Psychosocial Support in Bosnia and Herzegovina”, “Initiative for Creative Dialogue and Education”, “Global Ethic at School: Global Ethic Integration in Teaching Structures and Processes in Bosnia and Herzegovina” and “Programme for Interdisciplinary Learning and Research”.

Within the project “Psychosocial Support in Bosnia and Herzegovina” we worked on strengthening of 15 NGOs and signed the agreement with Volunteer Centre of University of Tuzla and XY Association in order to work on psychosocial support of residents in flooded areas in B&H. The manual “Living on a Landslide” was published in order to help people affected by traumas caused by floods in May 2014.

When it comes to the project “Initiative for Creative Dialogue and Education” we worked dilligently on designing and creation of various art forms with the goal to familiarize young people with various current global and local social issues. We are very proud of comics’ edition “Bogey FemiTeaching” and comic “Nira” that were born in this process and by which we strove to address issues related to gender stereotypes in B&H society and other themes related to youth activism.

Memory and reconciliation were the themes that dominated at the first international conference “Trauma, Memory and Healing” and interdisciplinary classroom organised by TPO Foundation.

In the end 2014 was crowned within the international campaign 16 Days of Activism against Gender based Violence and through workshops, street performances, promotions, competition for the best comic for young people we tried to show double standards and high rate of gender and domestic violence in B&H society once again.

I would like to thank all cooperators, partners and colleagues who made their contribution to successful implementation of all activities.

Programme director

*Zilka Spahić Šiljak*



## ABOUT US

TPO Foundation mission is contribution to development of democratic civil society, increased awareness on gender equality, establishment of partnership ethics and promotion of accountability and responsibility in family, society and political life in BH, via implementation of educational, research, psychosocial and intercultural program activities.

TPO Foundation was developed from HNI TPO organisation network with headquarters in Amsterdam , present in BH from 1998, implementing projects in the filed of psychosocial care, education and reconciliation and dialogue among returnees population. Since 2004, by HNI TPO Amsterdam decision, local team in BH works as and independent nongovernmental organisation under the name of TPO Foundation, however, formal registration was completed in 2006.

During 2004, TPO Foundation as a local organisation, directed its activities toward educational and research projects in cooperation with BH, European and USA universities.

### **Mission realization**

**Education** - Cooperation with universities and other organisations in implementing BiH education reform. Establishment of education centres in cooperation with educational and cultural institutions offering programs for intercultural, multi-religious and civic education, predominantly for women and youth. Preparation of curricula, syllabi, and training materials in cooperation with state institutions and other organisations.

**Research** - Assessments in the field of education, human rights, gender equality, dialogue, and peace building with the purpose of preparing adequate policies and specific project activities, always taking into consideration gender perspective and specificities of the cultural context.

**Gender equality** - Promotion and implementation of local and international standards on gender equality through various types of education and raising awareness about these issues in local communities. Special focus is on development of local gender-inclusive communities that respond to the needs of both women and men.

**Public Advocacy** - Advocacy for changes in action policies and adoption of new policies with the aim of developing a democratic civil society and gender equality, but also raising awareness of the society about the importance of active involvement and participation of citizens in decision making processes. Advocating for gender sensitisation of BiH legislation.

**Capacity Building** - Empowering individual capacities of women and youth, as well as organizational capacities of local organizations, in areas of gender equality, human rights, economic empowerment, dialogue, and peace building. Support to education reform, health care, and social rehabilitation by training professionals and promoting user's initiatives, and providing psychosocial support to women, children, and youth. Organization of public debates, round tables, and workshops, as well as meetings of artists, academics, and NGO activists capable of providing respective solutions for common action and co-existence. Organisation of meetings in small local communities with the aim of gathering representatives of divided communities in BiH and opening a dialogue.



## MAIN OUTCOMES

- Comic book “Nira” was published in BCS and English languages
- Book “Global Ethic: Documents – Foundations – Applications” was published
- Manual “Global Ethic under the School Roof: The Manual for Global Ethic Integration in Teaching Process” was published
- Comics from “Bogey FemiTeaching” edition were published
- Cooperation and partnership with 15 local NGOs
- Book “Shining Humanity - Life Stories of Women Peace Makers in B&H” was published in English
- The first international conference and two-day interdisciplinary classroom “Trauma, Memory and Healing” were organised
- Book “Qu’ran and Woman” was translated, published and promoted
- The analysis of young people’s needs was conducted within the Initiative for Creative Dialogue and Education
- The agreement with University of Tuzla for cooperation with Volunteer Centre was signed within the project “Psychosocial Support in B&H”
- The agreement with XY Association was signed to implement the project “Psychosocial Support in B&H”
- The initial workshops for global ethic integration in B&H schools were organized for secondary school teachers in Sarajevo and Tuzla Cantons
- Successfully implemented international campaign “16 Days of Activism against Gender based Violence” under the motto “Cut”
- More than 200 young people were educated on violence and prevention of gender based violence
- More than 100 teachers in various B&H cities were educated on prevention potentials of peer, domestic and gender based violence at school and domestic violence
- More than 100 students were educated on civil activism based on a comic book “Nira” within the Initiative for Creative Dialogue and Education
- Within the project “Psychosocial Support in B&H” partners from 15 NGOs were educated in the field of project writing and conduct of business within NGO sector



**Cities/municipalities in which TPO Foundation implemented activities in 2014 are:**  
 Sarajevo, Sapna, Zenica, Tuzla, Sanski Most, Jajce, Livno, Bosansko Grahovo.



## **SUMMARY**

### **I PSYCHOSOCIAL SUPPORT IN BOSNIA AND HERZEGOVINA**

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Activity 3 Training on administration for partners – strengthening of 15 associations in B&H

Activity 4 The second training on administration – project writing – strengthening of 15 associations in B&H

Activity 5 Presentation of the manual “Living on a Landslide” in Sapna municipality

### **II INITIATIVE FOR CREATIVE DIALOGUE AND EDUCATION (ICDE)**

Activity 1 Comics from “Bogey FemiTeaching” edition were published

Activity 2 Comic book “NIRA” was published

Activity 3 The analysis of young people’s needs

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## I PSYCHOSOCIAL SUPPORT IN BOSNIA AND HERZEGOVINA



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### **Activity 1 The agreement with University of Tuzla – cooperation with Volunteer Centre was signed**

Within the project “Psychosocial Support in Bosnia and Herzegovina” TPO Foundation signed the agreement of cooperation with University of Tuzla to support Volunteer Centre. This cooperation’s goal is to provide citizens of B&H affected by floods with help and support of young volunteers. TPO Foundation and University of Tuzla will give their contribution in solving numerous problems of people affected by floods through various forms of educational programmes, materials containing measures of prevention from natural disasters.

### **Activity 2 The agreement with XY Association was signed**



Within the project “Psychosocial Support in Bosnia and Herzegovina” TPO Foundation signed the agreement on cooperation with XY Association for the project of mental care in B&H whose goal is to implement the programme of strengthening users of mental health associations. The programme goal is to cooperate with young experts in the field of psychosocial protection at the local level that will provide administrative – educational support. The larger availability of psychosocial support in the field of mental health will be provided in that way. Associations and users in 15 cities of B&H will be included in this project.

### **Activity 3 Training for partners in the field of administrative management within NGO sector – strengthening of 15 associations in B&H**

Within the project "Psychosocial Support in Bosnia and Herzegovina" (Agreement with XY Association/ The project of mental health in B&H) TPO Foundation organised the first



administrative training for partners of associations providing services for mental health in Sarajevo on October 13, 2014.

In order to implement the programme of strengthening these associations the first one-day training was organised to familiarize them with the basic aspects of work related to administrative management within NGO sector in B&H from 15 cities Zajedno - Banja Luka, Svi - Bosanski Petrovac, Ruka ruci - Brčko, Nada - Doboj, Udruženje Tunel - Ključ, Nisi sam - Milići, In Spe - Mostar, Uzdravlje - Mrkonjić Grad, Apel - Sanski Most, Menssana - Sarajevo, Podijeli osmijeh - Srebrenica, Sonata - Trebinje, Naš glas - Tuzla, Stella - Zenica i Zvonik - Zvornik.



#### **Activity 4 The second training in the field of administrative management in NGO sector – project writing – strengthening of 15 associations in B&H**

Within the project “Psychosocial Support in Bosnia and Herzegovina” (Agreement with XY Association/ The project of mental health in B&H) TPO Foundation organised the second training in the field of administrative management for partners of associations providing services to users of mental health care.



#### Activity 4 Presentation of the manual “Living on a Landslide” in Sapna municipality



In Sapna municipality (Tuzla Canton) TPO Foundation organised the meeting with citizens and representatives of local communities as well as representatives of Sapna Municipality Civil Protection on November 20, 2014. The occasion was presentation of the manual “Living on a Landslide” by Rejhana Dervišević, PhD and Zijad Ferhatbegović, PhD who prepared the educational material for preventive measures implementation and sanation of landslides that happened in the middle of the floods in May 2014. Citizens exchanged their personal experiences with the authors by their active discussion and were related to problems, landslides and recieved directions and advice how to recognise a landslide, how to sanate land around the house, field, stable or orchard temporarily. The authors explained the mechanisms of landslides and causes of earth masses movement as well as measures taken to prevent or remove the damage. TPO Foundation and University of Tuzla gave their contribution in solving the problems of people affected by the floods in B&H through education of the inhabitants and preparation of educational materials within the project “Psychosocial Support in Bosnia and Herzegovina”.

## II INITIATIVE FOR CREATIVE DIALOGUE AND EDUCATION

### Activity 1 Comics from “Bogey FemiTeaching” edition were published

Feminist teaching is not a bogey at all, but those at the positions of power made a bogey of it in order to disable women to participate equally in all areas of life together with men. A genuine image of distorted values lived by people in B&H is portrayed in twenty comics through simple dialogues.



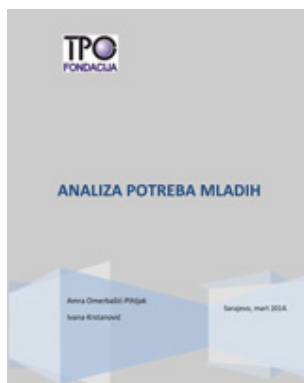
Authors induce readers to question their everyday life through simple dialogues and see stereotypes in it. Bosnia and Herzegovina was the first regional country to adopt the Law on Gender Equality. It contains norms that should enable all women to have gender equality in all spheres of life at least formally including (but not restraining) educations, economy, employment and work, social and health care, sport, culture, public life and media. TPO Foundation's idea is that these comics serve as a basis for future work on stereotypes in B&H society.

### Activity 2 Comic book "Nira" was published



She is the light – Nira. She does not allow injustice and lawlessness. She does not observe it passively but shows by her own examples we should speak about sexual harrasment and other breakings of human rights in order to prevent them. She is audacious and persistent in her own goals and is not silent – she is Nira, a protagonist of the same name comic book published by TPO Foundation. Text authors are Elma Softić – Kaunitz and Pavle Kaunitz and illustrators are Filip Andronik and Esmir Prlja.

### Activity 3 Analysis of young people's needs was published



Within the project “Initiative for Creative Dialogue and Education” TPO Foundation conducted the analysis of young people’s needs. Trying to keep up with community needs as well as of individual ones TPO Foundation provides certain educational materials and trainings that can help young women and men to participate actively in the socio-political work of their local communities and wider. The analysis goal is to question opinion and needs of young people related to leadership, communication, employment and work, position of young people in society and other issues in order to create the basis for making of educational materials for young people. The analysis was conducted from May to March 2014. 85 examinees participated and they were students at Faculty of Political Sciences at University of Sarajevo, Faculty of Philosophy at University of Sarajevo, activists of Council of Youth of Novo Sarajevo municipality (high school students and students at Faculty of Law, Faculty of Economy, Pharmaceutical Faculty, Faculty of Agriculture, and Faculty of Construction Engineering).

### III GLOBAL ETHIC AT SCHOOL: INTEGRATION OF GLOBAL ETHIC IN EDUCATIONAL STRUCTURES AND PROCESS IN BOSNIA AND HERZEGOVINA

**Activity 1 Manual “Global Ethic under the School Roof: The Manual for Global Ethic Integration in Teaching Process” was published**



“Global Ethic under the School Roof: The Manual for Global Ethic Integration in Teaching Process” brings the following texts: Stephan Schlensoeg, “Global Ethic as ‘pedagogical project’”; Sedžida Hadžić, “The Positive Potential of a Global Ethic for Educational Structures and Processes in B&H society”; Christoph Knoblauch, “Shared Ethic of Facing the Problems of Our World – Thinking and Concept of the Global Ethic in the Context of Interreligious Learning”; Alen Kristić, “A Global Ethic under the School Roof: Class Teaching as a Place to Learn about the Global Ethic Project in Ten Steps”; and The Declaration of Global Ethic.

**Activity 2 Book “Global Ethic: Documents – Foundations – Applications” was published**

The book “A Global Ethic: Documents – Establishment – Applications” provides a systematic insight into the basic documents of the project – “The Declaration of a Global Ethic”, from whose proclamation in Chicago by the Parliament of World’s Religions last year was 20 years, “Universal Declaration of Human Responsibilities” and “Global Economic Ethic”, A Manifesto published by a Global Ethic Foundation – with special attention paid to different ways of the foundation and application of a global ethic in contemporary societies confronted with globalization.



In addition to the basic documents, the contents of the book consists of the following texts: Hermann Haring, Hans Küng - Nonconformist thinker, Systematist, and Visionary: The Whole View on His Originative Opus; Hans Küng, What is a Global Ethic?; Hans Küng, Human Rights and Human Responsibilities; Hans Küng, The Global Economic Crisis Requires a Global Ethic - Manifesto for a Global Economic Ethic; Walter Homolka, A *Global Ethic* from the Sources of *Judaism*; Karl-Josef Kuschel, A Global Ethic from a Christian Perspective; Martin Bauschke, A Global Ethic from the Muslim Point of View; Ursula Renz, A Global Ethic from a Philosophical Perspective; Hans Küng, A Global Ethic for Global Politics; Hans Küng, A Global Ethic for Global Economics; Stephan Schlenso, A Global Ethic as a 'Pedagogical Project'; Martin Bauschke, The Golden Rules as a World Heritage Site; Günther Gebhardt, A Global Ethic as a Challenge for Social and Interreligious Dialogue; Alen Kristic, Others – Unexpected Revelation of the Divine; Mato Zovkic, Education for Peace in the Monotheistic Religions; Alen Kristic, Global Ethic Project – A Possible Framework, Direction Sign and Content of Interreligious Dialogue in Bosnia and Herzegovina; Karl-Josef Kuschel, 1993-2013: 20 years of the Declaration of a Global Ethic: The Intentions Once – The Challenges of Today.

### **Activity 3 The first workshop “Global Ethic at School” was organized for teachers and pedagogues of Tuzla Canton**



Within the project of TPO Foundation “A Global Ethic in a School: Integrating a Global Ethic into Educational Structures and Processes in Bosnia-Herzegovina”, done with the partnership of The Global Ethic Foundation from Tübingen, a professional team of TPO Foundation Sarajevo – Alen Kristić i Sedžida Hadžić – held the first training of teachers and pedagogues of Tuzla Canton in Tuzla on Saturday and Sunday on November 29 and 30, 2014. The main aim of this project is to familiarize secondary school teachers with the concepts of global ethic integration in educational processes.

#### **Activity 4 The second workshop “Global Ethic at School” was organized for teachers of Sarajevo Canton**

Within the project of TPO Foundation “A Global Ethic in a School: Integrating a Global Ethic into Educational Structures and Processes in Bosnia-Herzegovina”, done with the partnership of The Global Ethic Foundation from Tübingen, a professional team of TPO Foundation Sarajevo – Alen Kristić i Sedžida Hadžić – held the second training of teachers of Canton Sarajevo in Sarajevo on Saturday and Sunday on December 06 and 07, 2014. This training represents a special form of educational theory with the clear pragmatic courses of action in the real life.



#### **Activity 5 The third training “Global Ethic at School” was organized for teachers of Zenica – Dobož Canton**



Alen Kristić and Sedžida Hadžić held the third training of teachers and pedagogues of high schools of Zenica-Dobož Canton “A Global Ethic in School” iz Zenica on December 13 and 14, 2014. The training was done within the project of TPO Foundation “A Global Ethic in a School: Integrating a Global Ethic into Educational Structures and Processes in Bosnia-Herzegovina”, done with the partnership of the Global Ethic Foundation from Tübingen.

## IV PROGRAMME FOR INTERDISCIPLINARY LEARNING AND RESEARCH

### Activity 1 The first international conference “Trauma, Memory and Healing” was organised



Within TPO Program for Interdisciplinary Learning and Research (PILAR), the First International Conference and two-day Interdisciplinary classroom “Trauma , Memory , Healing” was held on 12-13 July, 2014 in Tuzla and Potočari, aiming at a common and critical thinking about the deeper roots of social trauma, such as collective violence, war and genocide, and sharing the experiences and knowledge about these concepts and their mechanisms of action. Also, our goals include a deeper understanding of the interactions between different groups, as well as initiating interdisciplinary learning that goes beyond the group divisions in order to broaden the vision and new possibilities of collective healing. The Conference *and* Interdisciplinary classroom gathered eminent scientists/activists from Bosnia, Serbia, Australia and America: Academician D. Lovrenović, Alija Sutović, PhD, Haris Halilović, PhD, Esmina Avdibegović, PhD, Jasmina Husanović, PhD, Damir Arsenijević, PhD, assistant professor Enes Osmančević, assistant professor Patrick McCarthy, assistant professor Mevludin Hasanović, assistant professor Edisa Gazetić, Dr. Nermina Kravić, Dr. Amra Delić, Dr. Branka Antić Stauber, Srdjan Šušnica, BSc. iur., Rade Radovanović, B. Sc. journalist and Dr. Zilka Spahić Šiljak, TPO Foundation programme director.

### Activity 2 Two-day interdisciplinary classroom “Trauma, Memory and Healing” was organised

II Interdisciplinary Classroom “Trauma, Memory, Healing” was held on August 23, 2014 in Jajce (B&H) within the Programme for Interdisciplinary Learning and Research (PILAR). On the second Interdisciplinary classroom, eminent scientists and activists from B&H, including academician Mr. Dubravko Lovrenović, assistant professor Mrs. Zlatiborka Popov Momčinović, Dr. Amra Delić, assistant professor Mrs. Alisa Mahmutović, and the Bosnian and Australian academic sculptor Mr. Addis Fejzić, spoken on memory and culture of remembrance. The conclusion of the II Interdisciplinary Classroom “Trauma, Memory, Healing” was that our own



studies of remembrance should be developed in order to produce knowledge from the Periphery, since it has been proven that the knowledge coming from the Center is mainly non-applicable for it does not start from multiple complex characteristics of societies at the periphery.



## V PUBLICATION "QU'RAN AND WOMAN"

This is the first systemic interpretive reading by a woman, a reading which validates the female voice in the Qur'an and brings it out of shadow. It is not religion per se, but patriarchal explication and implementation of the Qur'an that have kept women oppressed and excluded. Therefore, it is crucial to encourage women to reread and interpret the sacred texts, because violence and discrimination cannot be justified by one's faith in God. This book will surprise both men and women.



## VI BOOK LAUNCH “SHINING HUMANITY – LIFE STORIES OF WOMEN PEACE MAKERS IN B&H”



TPO Foundation in cooperation with the association Korak više organized a book launch “Shining Humanity – Life Stories of Women in BiH” by Zilka Spahić Šiljak in Vogošća on September 17, 2014. Aida Spahic, who assisted the author in the research, talked about the research process and the key findings of the book, while peace makers from Sarajevo, Besima Borić and Rahela Džidić, talked about their peace journey over the past eighteen years from their own perspectives, and about the present activities on development of human rights. They emphasized that it is our own responsibility to stand up and work together regardless of ethnicity, religion or political affiliation on development and improvement of society. A guest at the promotion was famous B&H actress, Hasija Borić, who read several sections from the book about Besima Borić and Rahela Džidić, while the promotion was moderated by Melika Šahinović. TPO Foundation thanked the association Korak više, Municipality Vogošća, peace makers, and guests, wishing to increase visibility of women and their activities in public and, in that way, make an influence on young men and women to become peace activists and contribute to the development of the society we live in through education and activities.

## VII 16 DAYS OF ACTIVISM AGAINST GENDER BASED VIOLENCE

### Activity 1 Competition “Comic Up Human Rights” was announced



### Activity 2 Street performance “Cut”

On November 29, 2014 TPO Foundation organized a street performance “Cut” in front of the Cathedral of the Sacred Heart of Sarajevo, in cooperation with actresses of the Academy of Performing Arts in Sarajevo. The goal of the performance is to present process of the formation violence through the emotional state of the victims and convey a message to passersby and the media about the forms of violence through body language, and to say that violence must end. Performance communicated the problem of violence against women in all societies (in 97% of cases of reported violence victims are women).



### **Activity 3 The panel discussion for youth “Disregard the Differences” was organised**



After the street performance “Cut” on November 11, 2014 TPO Foundation in cooperation with the Youth Council of the Municipality of Novo Sarajevo organized a panel discussion for youth named “Disregard the Differences”. The aim of this panel discussion, covering the themes of crimes committed out of hatred, was the suppression of incidents that occurred due to prejudices as well as active response to any hate speech in public. Lecturers at the panel discussion were members of the Youth Council of the Municipality of Novo Sarajevo: Mirela Geko, Mirela Alić and Bojana Tomašević who stated that the aim and intention of this panel discussion was to influence the minds of the young people to create a sense of responsibility, but also that they actively participate in the prevention of incidents motivated by prejudices.

### **Activity 4 Round table “The Potential of Religious Teaching for Activism and Non-violence” in Behram bey’s madrasa in Tuzla**



Within 16 days of activism, global campaign against gender violence, TPO Foundation in cooperation with Behram – bey's madrasa in Tuzla organized a round table entitled “The Potential of Religious Teaching for Activism and Non-violence”. The lecturers at the round table were Amra Pandžo, director of Association for dialogue in family and society “Mali koraci” from Sarajevo, Dr. Amra Delić, a specialist psychiatrist and psychotherapist from Tuzla, an activist in the field of human rights, dialogue and reconciliation, and Azra Fazlović professor of fiqh in Behram-bey’s madrasa in Tuzla. The participants concluded that the religious education has a responsibility and should have a unique goal and that is a commitment to activism and non-violence and the unification of students through spirituality and respect for others and different.

**Activity 5 Round table “ The Potential of Religious Teaching for Activism and Non-violence” in Sarajevo**



As a part of the activities within the campaign of 16 Days of Activism, after the round table in Behram- bey's madrasa in Tuzla, TPO Foundation organized a round table in Sarajevo on 03.12.2014 entitled “The Potential of Religious Teaching for Activism and Non-violence”. The speakers were Amra Pandžo, director of Association for dialogue in family and society “Mali koraci” from Sarajevo and Arijana Čatović, psychotherapist who has extensive experience in working with victims of violence as well as therapies for children.

## **Activity 6 The exhibition of Bogey FemiTeaching comics was set up at Faculty of Philosophy in Zenica**

Promotion and exhibition of comics from “Bogey FemiTeaching” edition were presented on 4.12.2104 at the Faculty of Philosophy, Department of Cultural Studies in Zenica. This is a continuation of activities within the campaign “Stop the Violence” in the framework of the international campaign 16 Days of Activism and ICDE project.



Nermina Trbonja and illustrator Jakov Čaušević presented the exhibition. Nermina and Jakov talked about comics making whose aim is to encourage all interested ones to question prejudices on feminism, gender equality and position of women in contemporary B&H society through humorous situations.

## **Activity 7 The exhibition of Bogey FemiTeaching comics was set up at University of Tuzla**



Within the campaign 16 Days of Activism the Bogey FemiTeaching comics’ exhibition was organized at the Faculty of Philosophy at the University of Tuzla on December 05, 2014, by TPO Foundation Sarajevo and the Volunteer Center of the University of Tuzla.

Vice rector, Rejhana Dervišević, TPO programme director Dr. Zilka Spahić Šiljak, and authors of one part of the comics, Elmaja Bavčić and Ena Bavčić opened the exhibition.

### **Activity 8 Public debate “(In)visible Violence against Women” at University of Tuzla**



TPO Foundation and the Volunteer center of the University of Tuzla organized the public debate that took place in the premises of the University on November 05, 2014 as part of 16 days of Activism programme. Professor Jasmina Husanović, professor Edisa Gazetić and psychiatrist and therapist, Amra Delić were the speakers and Dr. Zilka Spahić Šiljak moderated the debate.

### **Activity 9 Workshop for youth “Domestic Violence: Myths and Facts” was organised**

Within the campaign 16 Days of Activism against Gender based Violence, TPO Foundation organized an interactive workshop for young people “Domestic Violence: Myths and Facts”. The workshop was held on December 5, 2014 at the premises of TPO Foundation. Through this workshop the participants had the opportunity to learn about different forms of violence against women (with a particular focus on young women and girls) as well as different contexts in which violence occurs in the family. During the workshop, the participants also discussed gender-based discrimination in general as well as the negative consequences of patriarchal values. In addition to that, the participants also had the opportunity through the audio-visual materials not only to learn about different concepts of gender based violence but also to reflect on new strategies and interactive concepts in order to encourage young people to take action not only against domestic violence, but violence in general, which is increasingly present in our society.

### **Activity 10 Premiere promotion of the comic book “Nira” in Sanski Most**

In cooperation with the Centre “Fenix” Sanski Most on December 8, 2014 TPO Foundation within the project “Initiative for Creative Dialogue and Education ICDE” and within the international campaign 16 Days of Activism organized premiere promotion of comic book for young people “Nira” in Sanski Most. The promotion was moderated by project coordinator Melika Šahinović who spoke about the worldwide campaign to combat violence and protect human rights. The



director of Center “Fenix” Adisa Hotić thanked for cooperation and welcomed the students in the Center, while text author of comics Elma Softić- Kaunitz presented the idea of the comic book and characteristics of heroine Nira. Students together with the organizers had the opportunity to speak on the topic of activism in community and the activities against various forms of violence. All students received a copy of the comic book.

### **Activity 11 Round table “The Potential of Religious Teaching for Activism and Non-violence” in Sanski Most**

TPO Foundation, after the round tables held in Tuzla and Sarajevo on the topic “The Potential of Religious Teaching for Activism and Non-violence”, organized the same table in Sanski Most, on December 12, 2014 in cooperation with the Centre for Peace building CIM, Sanski Most. The lecturers were Director of CIM Vahidin Omanović and Dr. Zilka Spahić- Šiljak who spoke about the forms of violence and prevention of domestic violence. Religious teachers shared their experiences through which they were able to see the different signs of abuse in children by the family. The lecturers talked about the ways to recognize signs of violence and developing relationships with students who are victims of violence. Director of CIM stressed that the civil and legal duty is to report any form of violence and that religious teachers are in particular in advantage in facilitating the realization of contact with children who suffer from abuse in the home, and that their role is thus higher in accordance of violence prevention and helping children.

### **Activity 12 The exhibition of Bogey FemiTeaching comics was set up at French Cultural Centre in Sarajevo**



Within 16 days of activism against Gender based Violence, the Bogey FemiTeaching comic book exhibition was organized on the International Day of Human Rights at French Cultural Centre on December 10, 2014. TPO Foundation project assistant, Ivana Krstanović, the author of the comic books, Jakov Čaušević, and one of the members of the group Brkate opened the exhibition. The promoters have highlighted the importance of proper communication of the gender stereotypes which are deeply rooted in our way of thinking and practice, and which people do not even notice in one way.

### **Activity 13 Commemoration of International Human Rights Day**

On the International Human Rights Day, on December 10, 2014 as part of the project “Initiative for Creative Dialogue and Education”, and on the occasion of 16 Days of Activism, the promotion of the comic book NIRA was held in the Jewish Community Centre in Sarajevo. Ivana Krstanović, TPO Foundation project assistant, presented the comic book NIRA through which the theme of human rights pervades in a creative way, the authors of the stories, Elma Softic-Kaunitz and Pavle Kaunitz, and Jakov Causevic, a member of the jury of the prize competition „Nastripaj ljudska prava“.



### **Activity 14 Promotion of the comic book "Nira" in Livno**

In cooperation with WA LI-Woman from Livno, TPO Foundation, as part of the campaign 16 Days of Activism and ICDE project visited Primary School Fra Lovro Karaula in Livno on 11.12.2014. Students of 9<sup>th</sup> class had a chance to listen to the text author Elma Softić- Kaunitz who presented heroine Nira who teaches us how we should all be responsible and active in our environment. Students had an opportunity to learn about the campaign 16 Days of Activism and the rights of children which must be protected and promoted. All students received their copy of comic book Nira.



### Activity 15 Promotion of the comic book "Nira" in Bosansko Grahovo



Within ICDE project and campaign 16 Days of Activism on December 12, 2014 TPO Foundation in cooperation with the Association "Žene Grahova" visited the Primary School "Bosansko Grahovo" and organized presentation and distribution of comic book Nira. Students, teachers and parents were introduced to comic book Nira by the text author Elma Softić- Kaunitz and project coordinator Melika Šahinović.