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ALLIANCE OF CIVILIZATIONS: PLURAL+

<u>VIDEO</u> <u>AUDIO</u>

ANIMATED VIDEO - "WARDA" NATSOT – WARDA

NARRATION

STILLS OF CHILDREN AT VIDEO

WORKSHOP

A children's tale told by ... children. (3.5")

AUDIENCE AT AWARDS

YOUNG AWARD WINNERS

CEREMONY

"Warda" was conceived, written and produced by a workshop of Palestinian children. And it is one of the winners of the first edition of PLURAL+, an international youth video competition. Participants, aged 9

youth video competition. Participants, aged

to 25, shared their ideas on migration,

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identity, and diversity. (20")

MARC SCHEUER: (English) M

MARC SCHEUER ON CAMERA "They are the architects of the new world;

they are the condition for its success." (4")

NARRATION

SCHEUER SPEAKS TO AUDIENCE Marc Scheuer is the Director of the UN's

Alliance of Civilizations, which – along with

the International Organization for Migration –

organized the event hosted in New York city. (11")

MARC SCHEUER ON CAMERA

MARC SCHEUER: (English)

"And that's why we pay so much importance in listening to them, in helping them to make, to fulfil the common dream, really, of a world without too much tension across cultures." (9.5")

NARRATION

SCREENING - WINNING PIECES

The topic of the pieces ranged from human trafficking and migrant exploitation; to issues faced by younger migrants; to the feeling of growing up different and excluded in your

own community. (17.5")

PERUZZOTTI: (Italian) **F**

PERUZOTTI ON CAMERA

"People must be diverse, it's a right, I believe,

of all humanity." (4")

NARRATION

PERUZOTTI AND OGANSO AT

EVENT

Giulia Peruzzotti and Freddy Oganso were some of the award-winning young video makers. (5.5")

OGANSO ON CAMERA

OGANSO: (English) M "This film that we have done is going to make

a change..." (2")

NARRATION

JURY MEMBERS AMONG AUDIENCE

An international jury composed of renowned filmmakers and media personalities selected NADINE LABAKI

the winners for the different age categories. Nadine Labaki, a jury member and award-winning film director from Lebanon, says the projects communicate across cultural boundaries. (17.5")

WINNING VIDEO – SUGARCANE CUTTERS

NADINE LABAKI: (English)

NADINE LABAKI ON CAMERA

"We don't need to say much, we don't need to to talk much, we don't even need to understand the other's language to understand deeply what their problems are."

(9")

NARRATION

ALLIANCE OF CIVILIZATIONS –
ISTANBUL FORUM MEETINGS

The competition was organized primarily by the Alliance of Civilizations, a United Nations initiative now backed by over 90 countries. (9")

JORDI TORRENT ON CAMERA

JORDI TORRENT: (English) **M**"The goal of the Alliance is basically peace, sustainable peace, a peace that's actually based on dialogue, based on cultural and religious exchanges..." (7.5")

<u>NARRATION</u>

Jordi Torrent is the Project Manager of PLURAL+. (3.5")

JORDI TORRENT ON CAMERA

JORDI AT EVENT

JORDI TORRENT: (English) **M**"So basically we thought there was an opportunity for us to create a new platform, a new venue at the international level to give

young people an opportunity to express themselves." (10")

NARRATION

LOCAL STUDENTS

Also attending the awards ceremony in New York were local students, with whom the images on screen seemed to strike an emotional chord, and initiate an important dialogue. (11")

STUDENTS ON CAMERA

STUDENT 1: (English) **F**

"I think people underestimate children's abilities to grasp the concepts behind these films." (5")

STUDENT 2: (English) M

"Everybody's different in their own special way." (2")

STUDENT 3: (English) M

"It doesn't really matter how we all look, we're all the same inside." (3")

NARRATION

WINNING PIECES

Winning pieces are now being shown by broadcasters around the world. The competition is set to continue, and it's now calling for entries for its 2010 edition. It will carry on promoting the plight of youth worldwide, and their vision of a more tolerant society. For video maker Francesca Portalupi the message is simple: (24.5")

FRANCESCA PORTALUPI

PORTALUPI ON CAMERA

PORTALUPI: (English) F

"Don't be afraid to speak about yourself, to speak to old and young people, because speaking about differences can make people equal." (9.5")

NARRATION

UN LOGO

This report was produced by Camilo Freire for the United Nations.