

Albanian National CARP Workshop

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Hello brothers and sisters and especially CARPies! I'm reporting about three days CARP WS filled with 160 young people, full of laughters, team challenges, intensive schedule of lectures and activities, and all for one purpose: that this yearly workshop could engrave in the minds & hearts of these young participants. We did our best in order that the principles (Core Values) could stick in their mind even in a small scale, to be latter practiced in their daily life. The title of the WS was "Leadership starts from the heart".



What we accomplished this time will be seen in the coming weeks and months or even latter, but indeed we are grateful to all centers and communities who invested in bringing the number of participants to 160, and most of them being first-timers in such a workshop. More gratitude to the brothers and sisters that accomplished

their responsibilities as it should and with lot dedication.

Our goal was to inspire and prepare these young people to study Divine Principle deeply in the future and why not prepare them to attend the summer 15 day DP seminar.



This workshop will be remembered for the big staff that invested to guide well the energy of CARP-ies. Fifteen teams were working hard during the whole WS and there was so much energy going on. This year the first place in team competition was given to the Hakws lead by Arjan Haziraj; the second place went to Nuevita lead by Beqir Kaculi and the third one to The Lumps lead by Ardit Matraku.

The MCs were Arnold Grami, Irida Shkoza and Majlinda Matraku. Our STF brothers Shegenori Suzuki and Robin Chionna composed a very nice song that it is now a hymn with very special lyrics.

This workshop has had multiple and different challenges from previous years. Lectures were presented with real energy and passion by all lecturers. They could keep alive the concentration of all the participants and we are sure it will remain as a good teaching in them, regardless of how much they are continuing to attend other activities.



Following are reflections from some of the participants:

"...I'm very pleased with this workshop as I learned well the importance of team work and how to be a leader centered on the heart".

"...I learned a lot. The lectures were my favorite part (Suggestion – The topics that were presented need more time for presentation so I think that the next workshop should be 5-7 days long)"

"...the workshop in general was amazing. We could familiarize in a very

short time. I'm expecting you to open a center in Presheva, South Serbia. (This certainly is one of those big dreams)"

"...from this workshop I learned how a leader should behave. It made me understand that we, the young people, have a lot to receive from this life thus we are eager to know more..."

"...it's my first time in CARP workshop. I learned about teamwork and responsibility through team challenges..."

"...this time I enjoyed it. The rules were clearer and everything was well planned..."

