

Experiences of the implementation of FGC

A travelreport



2008 - 2009

We are reading travelreports and talk about it with those who are also on the way.....



2010 - 2012

We win people, who are interested in FGC and we become a travelparty.....



We are approaching milestones a little bit
excited and tired.....



2014 ...

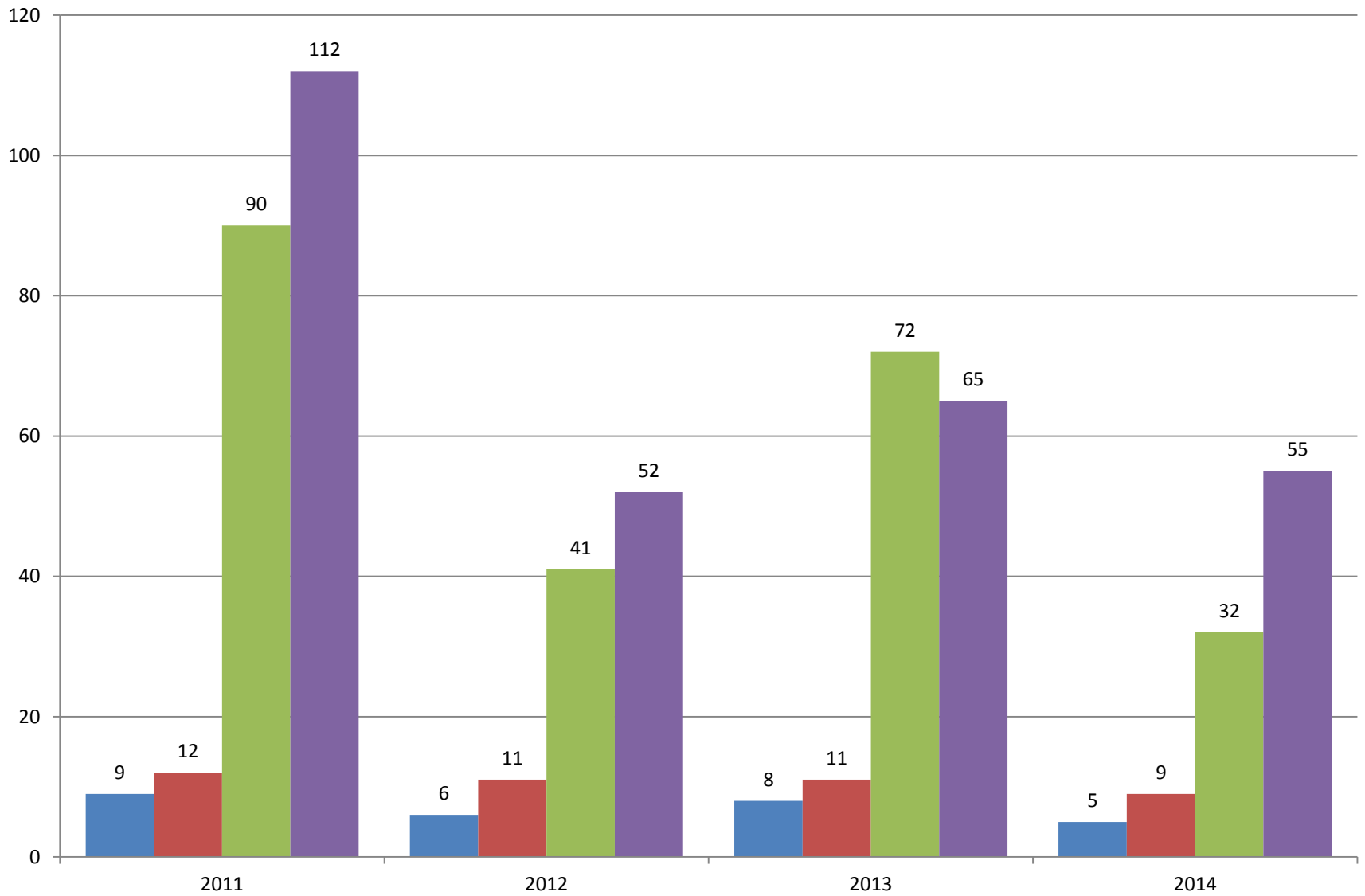
Encouraged and full of energy we are going together with the families and we become an increasing group and we will go on.....



Numbers 2011 - 2014

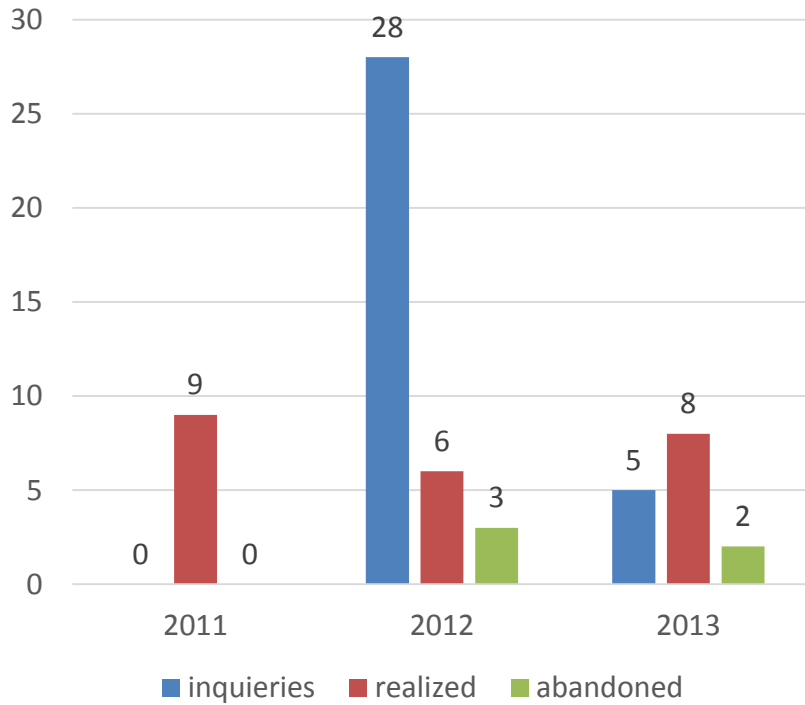
- **28 conferences** took place
- In the center of the conferences were the situation of **43 children and young people**
- **235 persons** from the social network took part of FGC
- The families made **284 decisions**

■ Conferences ■ Children ■ Participants ■ Decisions

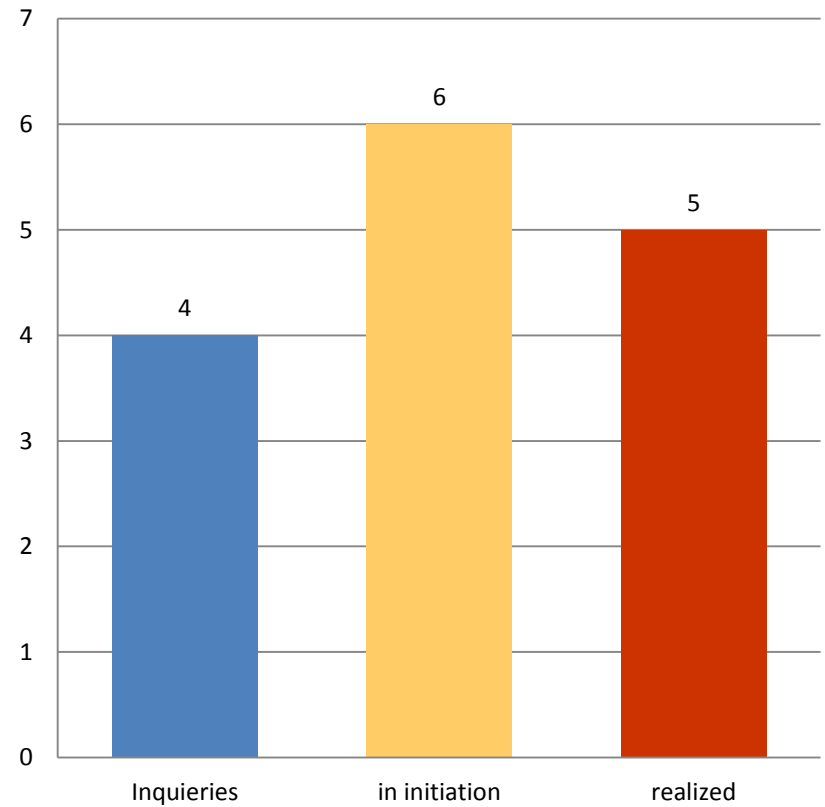


Facts conferences 2011 bis 2013 und 2014

inquiries, realized and abandoned conferences 2011 - 2013



inquiries, in initiation and realized conferences 2014



FGC 2014



- **16 co-ordinators** who has passed the training have got the license to coordinate conferences in Lower Austria
- Actually 14 coordinators are available
- Up to today there were **15 inquiries for FGC**
 - 5 realized conferences
 - 6 conferences in initiation
 - 4 inquiries couldn't been realized

FGC - now is a normal assistance for people in Lower Austria in the youth welfare context

- Youth-welfare-offices have their own budget for FGC
- They have a certain list of coordinators to work with
- The fee for a co-ordinator:
€ 43,-- per hour, plus expences (travelling, communication, trainings and supervision)
- Trainings for referrers are offered
- Professional help for referrers in organizing and passing a FGC
- Statistics of FGC in the context of the youth welfare system

Experiences



- Offering a FGC to a family is an intervention which has an effect
- Even when a FGC failed, there is also a visible effect → reflexion about why a conference didn't take place
- Suddenly people appear, which were unknown up to now
- Good experiences in training the referrers of a FGC
- **Questions of time** for the families, the co-ordinators and the referrers
 - arranging the date of the conference between families and referrers is sometime difficult because of labour legislation
 - not possible on sunday!
 - huge numbers of participants
 - FGC not in the late evening
- Implementation of FGC sometimes takes to much time
- Referrers often don't think about FGC because of their huge workload
 - Talking about FGC as often as possible!

Erfahrungen



- Loadremoval for referrers through the co-ordinator
- Superior authorities are interested in FGC for economic reasons
- Co-ordinators must be aware of their role to coordinate
- The referrers have to formulate their concerns by themselves. This can't be the task of the co-ordinator

German-speaking-FGC-Networkmeeting 2014 in St. Pölten

- Together with the University of Applied Sciences St. Pölten and the Provincial Government of Lower Austria we organized the German-speaking-FGC-Networkmeeting 2014 in St. Pölten
- As a part of the networkmeeting a symposium took place with a huge input of models of empowerment
- German, Austrian and Swiss people having been together for two days

Forsight

- Continous conventions between the University of Applied Science St. Pölten and the Government of Lower Austria for strategic co-ordination an development
- Future workshops
- Contact with interested institutions within the welfaresystem
- Annual trainings for referrers concerning the model
- Continous networking between the registered coordinators in Lower Austria for providing quality
- Exploration of longtime-effects of FGC
- Participating in networkmeetings in Austria and germanspeaking areas in the sense of „widen the circle“

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Let it grow.....

