

Youthpass

“RECOGNISE Learning – Recognise YOURSELF II” How to support learning in EVS Training Cycle

Training course on Youthpass in the EVS training cycle (pre-departure, on-arrival, mid-term and evaluation)

01-06 June 2013 in Braga (Portugal)

- Are you an EVS trainer implementing pre-departure, on-arrival, mid term and/or evaluation **training courses** for EVS volunteers for the National Agency within Action 2 of the Youth in Action Programme?
- Do the words “**Youthpass**” and “**Learning to learn**” ring a bell to you?
- Are you interested in raising awareness and recognising learning through the **Youthpass and Learning to learn processes** in the EVS training course cycle?

Then we have the right offer for you!!!

Youthpass and its process is successfully implemented in Action 2 (European Voluntary Service). Many volunteers and their mentors implement the Youthpass process in their EVS projects. They gain experience and of course face a lot of challenges when implementing the Youthpass process, but esp. when recognising the learning outcomes and being able to talk about it. For some it is easy, while others still struggle with a lot of questions.

As **EVS trainers** you are involved in the implementation of Youthpass and its educational implications. You might already use the Key competences approach or focus more on the reflection of learning, have provided sessions on learning to learn (L2L) or tackled the learning and reflection process topics around Youthpass in various other ways.

You might already have noticed the publication **Youthpass in the EVS training cycle** (https://www.youthpass.eu/downloads/13-62-57/Publication_YP_EVS.pdf) and maybe you have used it to work in your activities.

We (the National Agency of Portugal and the SALTO Training and Cooperation Resource Centre) **invite you now to this training course in Braga/Portugal**. We want to develop, discuss and share with you how you can implement the Youthpass process and related

aspects in your specific modules of EVS training courses. And of course we will talk about the recognising non-formal learning and/or education by oneself but also by others.

Aim and objectives of the training course

The training course aims to support trainers working with the EVS cycle to develop their competences for supporting self-directed learning processes of EVS volunteers, in order to improve the implementation of Youthpass and its process

Specific objectives of the training course include:

- to experience self-directed learning a) as a trainer personally, and b) as a trainer implementing it in practise with a specific focus on how to make volunteers recognise the learning dimension of EVS,
- to strengthen the recognition of learning,
- to explore different dimensions of learning and its implications in the EVS context,
- to explore the role as trainer in the Youthpass process,
- to discuss and develop the role of EVS trainings in the context of Youthpass,
- to support the challenge of facilitating a process based on self-directed learning, including assessing competences and describing learning outcomes in EVS, and
- to share tools, methods and theories of self-directed learning.

During the training course you will have the opportunity to reflect on your experience, to explore challenges and opportunities related to self-directed learning and the recognition of non-formal learning.

Target group

The training course is meant for trainers who are implementing pre-departure, on-arrival, mid term and/or evaluation **training courses** for EVS volunteers for the National Agency within Action 2 of the Youth in Action Programme: Participants should be:

- directly connected with the preparation and implementation of these training courses
- motivated to work on the topic after the training course (follow-up on national level)
- aged 18 +
- able to communicate and work in English
- residents of the Youth in Action Programme Countries (27 EU countries + Norway, Iceland, Liechtenstein, Turkey)
- there will be 2 places reserved for candidates from SEE, EECA and Euromed countries.

Dates and place

The training course will be held on **01 - 06 June 2013** in **Braga (Portugal)**. Participants are expected to arrive on the 1st in the evening; departures are planned on the 6th after breakfast.

Working language

The working language of the training course will be English.

Application procedure & deadline

Please apply online on <http://trainings.salto-youth.net/3370> not later than **22nd of March 2013**. If your application is accepted, you will receive a confirmation and further information as soon as possible after the **08 April 2013**. Please do not book any tickets before you receive confirmation of your participation.

Financial conditions

- Board and lodging will be provided by the Portuguese National Agency.

- Participants coming from **Programme Countries**: travel costs can be covered by your National Agency according to their own rules (**Please check before applying!**).
- Participants coming from **South East Europe, Eastern Europe Caucasus and Euromed region**: travel and visa costs will be covered by the Portuguese National Agency.
- Any insurance, especially medical, is a private responsibility of each participant.

For further questions about the training course, please contact Joaquim Freitas joaquim.freitas@juventude.pt from the Portuguese National Agency.

If you have questions about **Youthpass**, please contact SALTO Training and Cooperation RC, Rita Bergstein (youthpass@salto-youth.net).

We are looking forward to your participation.

The team of the training course