

“European civic education lab”

14 – 16 November 2017

Call for three facilitators and a rapporteur



We are looking for three facilitators and one rapporteur for the activity “European civic education lab”, which will be held in 14th – 16th of November 2017 in Ljubljana, Slovenia.

Background

The narrative of progressive, democratic and socially inclusive Europe has for long been a crucial catalyst for integration and social cohesion in the European Union and in cooperation with its neighbouring countries. However, following the recent economic and socio-political challenges, the sense of belonging and commitment to common objectives and values has begun to unravel, evoking instability, political extremism and xenophobia.

The Paris Declaration¹ placed citizenship in the focus of the European education policy, whereas civic education was stated as one of the primary means of securing the fundamental European values and transferring them to young generations. The Erasmus+ Programme was identified as the key instrument in achieving the Declaration’s objectives in the European level. Further on, promoting active (European) citizenship has long been an essential element in the Erasmus+ Programme, in particular in the field of youth.

Civic education aims at improving people’s competences in governing their lives and actively influencing in the society they live in. In the precarious situation of today’s Europe, there is a plea for strengthening and further developing practices of civic education for young people across the educational sectors, which focus on opportunities for identification and citizenship specifically in the European context.

¹ Declaration on Promoting citizenship and the common values of freedom, tolerance and non-discrimination through education – Informal meeting of European Union Education Ministers, Paris, 17 March 2015

The aim and objectives of the activity

(Note: The objectives are provisional and will be adjusted later in the preparatory phase in cooperation with the selected facilitators and rapporteur.)

The aim of the activity is to promote the European dimension in civic education of young people across the non-formal and formal educational sectors and contribute to the social recognition of European citizenship.

The specific objectives are:

- To map out existing practices of civic education of young people, specifically in the European context, in the fields of non-formal and formal education;
- To provide space for exchange and further development of different approaches, curricula and methods of civic education, which aim at fostering the awareness of European identity and active European citizenship of young people;
- To provide new insight and stimulate discussion related to European citizenship, development of young people's civic competences and civic education;
- To encourage networking, new partnerships and cooperation among participants;
- To compile good practices and recommendations for strengthening the European dimension in young people's civic education across the educational sectors.

The activity will result a report, which will consist of inputs and reflections gathered during the activity, specific outcomes, analysis and recommendations.

Target group

The activity will gather ca. 40 - 50 stakeholders (educators, youth workers, teachers, activists...) from the Erasmus+ Programme Countries and the Western Balkan region working directly with young people in the context of formal or non-formal education, and who are interested in developing the European dimension in their practices of civic education.

Responsibilities, time involvement and fees of the facilitators

The three facilitators are expected jointly to:

- Develop and implement the programme of activities in 14th – 16th (+evening activity in 13th) of November 2017 in cooperation with the organisers;
- Participate in a two-day preparatory meeting in Ljubljana, Slovenia in April / May 2017 –the exact dates will be set together with the team upon selection;
- Co-facilitate the preparatory meeting (concerning the development of the programme of activities);
- Provide the detailed outline for the provisional programme of activities in a written format according to the instructions given by the organisers;
- Contribute to the final report of the activity (provide the rapporteur with information and materials relevant to the implemented programme of activities).

Profile of the facilitators

The selected facilitators should have:

- Knowledge of, and experience in working on the topics of European citizenship and civic education, in particular regarding the current developments in the European level (policies and practices in the fields of education and youth);
- Experience in facilitating seminars and meetings for diverse groups of people, in particular for the target group of this activity;
- Competences in developing programmes for seminars and meetings in the fields of education and / or youth and ability to use appropriate methodology to achieve the objectives set for this activity;
- Knowledge of the Erasmus+ Programme and its objectives;
- Excellent ability to communicate in English.

The fee will be **1680,00 EUR** for each facilitator, including VAT, if relevant. Contracts will be made with legal entities. Accommodation is covered by the organisers to the preparatory meeting and the activity. Travel costs will be reimbursed.

Responsibilities, time involvement and fee of the rapporteur

The rapporteur is expected to:

- Develop a concept for the report of the activity based on the programme of activities developed by the three selected facilitators and organisers;
- Participate in a two-day preparatory meeting in Ljubljana, Slovenia in April / May 2017 –the exact dates will be set together with the team upon selection;
- Participate in the activity in 14th – 16th of November 2017, be actively involved in the programme of activities and do the collection and analysis of its outcomes;
- Develop a plan for visibility and dissemination for the activity and its outcomes in cooperation with the organisers, including active contributions to the (social) media during the activity;
- Preparing the content for the report of the activity (production not included).

Profile of the rapporteur

The selected rapporteur should have:

- Knowledge of, and experience in working on the topics of European citizenship and civic education, in particular regarding the current developments in the European level (policies and practices in the fields of education and youth);
- Experience and competence in compiling analytical reports of seminars, meetings and other such activities, which require active collection and processing of information, also during the activity;
- Experience in using social media for dissemination purposes;
- Knowledge of the Erasmus+ Programme and its objectives;
- Excellent ability to communicate in English.

The fee will be **1400,00 EUR** for the rapporteur, including VAT, if relevant. Contract will be made with a legal entity. Accommodation is covered by the organisers to the preparatory meeting and the activity. Travel costs will be reimbursed.

Application procedure

Interested candidates are invited to fill in the online application form at:

<http://onlineform.salto-youth.net/1519> (facilitators)

<http://onlineform.salto-youth.net/1520> (rapporteur)

by **19th of March 2017**. All candidates will be informed about the results by 27th of March 2017.

Organisers

The activity is organised by:

- MOVIT –SALTO South East Europe Resource Centre and the Slovenian National Agency for the Erasmus+ Programme in the field of youth;
- Interkulturelles Zentrum, The Austrian National Agency for the Erasmus+ Programme in the field of youth;
- JUGEND für Europa: The German National Agency for the Erasmus+ Programme in the field of youth;
- Foundation for the Development of the Education System: The Polish National Agency for the Erasmus+ Programme in the field of youth;
- The Partnership between the European Commission and the Council of Europe in the field of youth.

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