

Strategic National Agencies Project (SNAC) on Education and Training of Youth Workers

Call for two support experts

DESCRIPTION

The EaT SNAC aims at establishing a **cooperation framework for the education and training of youth workers. The specific focus is on reaching a systemic impact on education & training by using recognition of competences and learning processes as a thematic context.** The SNAC will care for establishing clear links to the **development of recognition and validations mechanisms and tools at the national and international level**, where appropriate.

The past ten years have seen relevant developments within the European youth work field that contributed to investing in and improving the education and training of youth workers. Considering the special attention given to the recognition of approaches to the learning process, competence development, and non-formal learning as complementing formal learning (and vice-versa), this SNAC will focus on **supporting and contributing to systemic change in different areas of youth work.**

The SNAC will pay particular attention to the core elements that would benefit from peer support and joint development activities to realise strategic cooperation at national and international levels for better synergies and impact in the future.

The SNAC will be focusing on the **following dimensions:**

- The formal education of youth workers and professional pathways (understood here as pathways for youth workers at the national level and the support to the integration of European perspectives in them).
- The development of standard and accredited training course(s) for youth workers
- The establishment of a platform to sustain competence development in youth workers' education and training
- *To be tackled at a later stage:* support to recognition and/or accreditation processes

The **National Agencies** that compose the steering group of the SNAC are Belgium-Flanders, Estonia, Germany, Hungary, Ireland, Italy and Latvia, as well as **SALTO** Training and Cooperation Resource Centres.

For more detailed information, please have a look at the **concept note**.

ROLES OF THE SUPPORT EXPERTS

The two experts supporting the process, who will be part of the process and contribute to the implementation of the project, are expected to endorse the following roles:

- The overall organisation and facilitation of and participation in meetings of the steering group and with partners;
- Care for the documentation of these meetings;
- Update timeline and on activities;
- Actively contribute to the conceptual, analytical and strategic work and thinking work;
- Actively take part in the contents of the different processes and activities to be organised (note that in some cases, there will be external coordinators working on behalf of the National Agency, hence the need to liaise with them too).

PROFILE OF THE SUPPORT EXPERTS

- Good knowledge of the Erasmus+ Youth and the European Solidarity Corps programmes (context and overall content);
- Experiences in education & training of youth workers at European/international and national levels;
- Experiences with and in conceptual, analytical and strategic work and thinking;
- Experiences with competence-based youth work (experiences in working with competence models or frameworks, or similar processes);
- Organisational and international project management competences;
- Experience in working in international teams;
- Experience in working with a diversity of stakeholders and cross-sectoral.

WORKING CONDITIONS/ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

- **Period:** this call and the contract that will follow cover **22 July - 31 December 2021**. However, the SNAC is planned to be developed over a period of 4 years, hence until the end of 2024, and the commitment might turn into a longer-term one.
- **Venue:** mostly online for 2021, although residential meetings might occur.
- **Number of days:** 25 days for each expert in 2021
- **Fee:** 320€ per day, hence 8.000€ per expert in total (VAT not included). Should travel and accommodation costs occur, they will be covered additionally by the project.
- **On-boarding meeting:** an on-boarding meeting (walk through the project so far) will be organised still in July with a few members of the steering group and the two selected coordinators. The dates will be agreed after the selection process.

- **Steering group / prep meeting date:** the next meeting of the steering group will take place online on 27 August (full day). It is expected that the two experts will not only join the meeting (if possible!), but also already prepare a general structure/approach that will serve to fine-tune the timeline of the projects and especially the steps for 2021 and the planning for 2022. Of course, the time given will not allow going into details, but having a display of first ideas and proposals would be appreciated.

APPLICATION & SELECTION PROCEDURE

- **The application form** to apply is accessible **here:** <http://onlineform.salto-youth.net/1802>
- **Extra support information** and **material** (or link to a cloud where to access and download it) need to be sent by **email** by the deadline to: gisele@salto-youth.net. This includes **up to three extracts** of conceptual (concept development and strategic developments connected to it) and analytical work that you have been steering or been involved in.
- **Deadline to apply:** 05 July 2021 (included)
- Applicants will be informed about the **selection results** at the latest by 19 July 2021.

For more information, feel free to contact Gisele Evrard Markovic: gisele@salto-youth.net before 1st of July 2021.

We are looking forward to receiving your applications!

The SNAC steering group