

BUILDING FROM WITHIN: Paths to increase the participation of young migrants in Europe

26th November- 02nd December 2017, Lisbon, Portugal
Activity type: Training course

Call for 1 trainer

1. Context & aims:

The training course will enable youth workers to gain knowledge, skills and attitudes to successfully increase the participation of young migrants and young people with migrant background in the existing structures, spaces and mechanisms for participation in decision-making, increasing their sense of belonging and reducing radicalization.

Young people in Europe have in the last decade have been able to introduce in the political discourse of our different national and European institutions the importance of youth participation in decision-making process. Processes such as Structured Dialogue of the European Commission or the co-management of the Council of Europe have gain significant relevance, as concrete mechanisms to involve youth in the development of the policies and decisions that will affect their lives.

Nevertheless, we saw that we still have not been able to include in such processes the diversity of young people that exist in our societies.

Youth migrants and young people with migrant background are still often not present or represented in such spaces, therefore their concerns and interests are not many times reflected in the decisions taken. We believe that by increasing the civic and political participation of young migrants and young people with migrant background we will bring on board new visions and innovative approaches to our current challenges. And in the same time to increase their sense of belonging, identity and active citizenship to the European project.

Radicalization takes places when people don't feel a sense of belonging or ownership to the communities where they life. Bringing young migrants and young people with migrant on board of our local communities, increasing their involvement in civil society organizations, on local and national youth councils and international youth organizations, will contribute to their empowerment at the same time that will allow us to better address the diversity existing in our society.

We should first look at young migrants as a source of solutions for our society challenges; with their extraordinary energy, creativity and potential for change they can largely contribute for the development of our communities.

The aim of this course is to empower migrant youth and young people with migrant background to become politically active citizens at local, national and European level.

The course will enable youth leaders and youth workers to gain knowledge, skills and attitudes to successfully increase young migrants and young people with migrant background political and civic participation on existing structures, spaces and mechanisms for youth participation in decision making.

Specific Objectives:

- 1) Develop a better understanding of the economic, social and political situations and identify the main challenges faced by young migrant and young people with migrant background living in Europe today;
- 2) Empower young migrants and young people with migrant background to represent their interests and current challenges (such as integration, identity conflict, discrimination, employment, education, lack of youth policies and involvement in the decision-making process);
- 3) Increase the awareness of developing strategies to avoid the radicalization of young people in Europe;
- 4) To acquire know-how on concepts and challenges of youth work, youth policies, migration and integration policies and institutions relevant for the engagement of migrant youth at different levels (local, national and European level);
- 5) Increase the number and quality of projects in the frame of Erasmus+ approaching the social inclusion of young migrants.

Target groups

- Youth workers
- Trainers
- Youth leaders
- Youth Policy Makers
- Other target groups- Young migrants and young people with migrant background that can act as multipliers.

Group size - up to 30 participants

Working language: English

3. Implementation:

- a. **1 Prep meeting** (prepare the training course: Arrival day – 28th June; Departure day – 30th June afternoon)
- b. **Training Course** (30 participants| 26th November- 02nd December 2017);

4. Organizers and Partners:

The Erasmus+ Youth in Action National Agencies of Portugal, Belgium-FR, United Kingdom, SALTO-YOUTH Participation Resource Centre and SALTO Cultural Diversity RC.

5. Call for 1 trainer

Portuguese National Agency is looking for 1 trainer responsible of preparation, implementation, evaluation, report and follow up of the activity.

This trainer will work in cooperation/team with other trainer, from Portugal.

Profile of the trainer:

- Have knowledge about and experience in working around the topics of youth participation and participation of young migrants and young people with migrant background
- Have knowledge about youth policies, migration and integration policies and institutions relevant for the engagement of migrant youth at different levels (local, national and European level);
- Experience in working with migrants and refugees is an asset ;
- Experience in working with National Agencies of Erasmus + YiA and SALTO's;
- Are familiar with the principles and values of non-formal learning;
- Have an excellent command of English (including drafting skills);
- He/she needs to be available for the preparatory meeting that will take place in Lisbon, Portugal on 28-30 May (including travel days) and for the training course in Portugal, 26th November- 02nd December 2017 (dates to be confirmed during the prep-meeting).

Tasks of the trainer:

- to be available during and facilitate a preparatory meeting (2 days between 28th June; and 30th June afternoon);
- to keep contact with other team members till the end of the project concerning the content development and implementation;
- to develop the daily programme and finalize the call for the participants together with the team;
- to facilitate the implementation, work on the evaluation in cooperation with the team;
- to make the final report of the project.

Fees:

It is foreseen to provide a fee **of 2.900€** for 10 working days (1 day for preparation, 2 days preparatory meeting, 6 days implementation, 1 days evaluation/final report), The board, lodging and travel costs will be also covered by this project.

Applications:

Applicants should send a **CV including information about their experiences in/ knowledge of the field of the specific topic of the TC**. The applicants should provide a **motivation letter**.

Interested experts are invited to send their application by **12 June 2016, 24h00** to:
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6. Further questions?

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