# BRIDGING WORLDS

## YOUTH WORK

12.07-23.07.2025, Krakow, Poland

#### **ABOUT THE PROJECT**

This project is designed for youth workers, educators, and experienced volunteers who wish to develop strong intercultural competences for working effectively with diverse groups of young people, including those with migrant backgrounds.

Participants will explore key topics such as **intercultural communication**, the **role of media** and narrative in shaping public perception of migrants, and how to recognize and counteract **stereotypes, prejudice, and discrimination.** 

## **ABOUT THE PROJECT**

As part of the project, we'll explore **Kraków** and the **Lesser Poland** region, places rich in history, culture, and diversity.

We'll learn through the **stories**, **experiences**, **and everyday life** of local communities, gaining a deeper understanding of how people from different backgrounds live, connect, and shape their surroundings.

This experience will help us reflect on **migration, identity, and inclusion,** and inspire us to create more **open, respectful, and welcoming spaces** for young people in our own communities.

### **PROJECT OBJECTIVES**

- Deepen understanding of the migrant experience and challenges of cultural adjustment.
- Understand and apply key concepts of intercultural communication and critically reflect on the role of media and narratives in shaping perceptions of cultural diversity and migration.
- Identify and address mechanisms of exclusion, such as stereotypes, prejudice, and discrimination.

## **PARTICIPANTS' PROFILE**

We are looking for motivated **youth workers, experienced volunteers** passionate about the topis and ready to engage fully in the activities. If your organization has limited experience with Erasmus+ projects, this is your chance to get involved and grow.

> Age limit: 18+ Sending organisation required.

Some topics we will tackle might not be easy to everyone. **Make sure you are ready** to contribute, follow up with the activities and create a safe space. We hope that everyone understands the importance of their contributions and feels motivated to participate constructively. An Erasmus+ project is an adventure and an opportunity to travel and meet many new people while having fun and learning new skils. However, the program aims for greater goals than just enjoyment, travel, and you can help us make a real impact in our communities.

#### LOCATION

The exact location in Kraków will be communicated to selected participants upon confirmation of their participation.

#### **ACOMMODATION & FOOD**

We provide accommodation and food for entire project: **3** meals per day; **2** refreshment breaks between sessions. Participants will be accomodated in rooms of 2-5 people.

#### INSURANCE

Personal accident insurance will be provided. Healthcare & travel insurance is not provided by the organizers. Participants should obtain it on their own.

#### TRAVEL

Travel costs will be reimbursed in accordance with the Erasmus+ programme guidelines. Upon confirming your participation, we will provide you with all necessary information, including your specific travel reimbursement limit.

Please refrain from booking any tickets until you have received our confirmation.

We also encourage you, not only for this project but as a general practice, to consider green travel options to help reduce our environmental impact.

#### **SUBSTANCE FREE PROJECT**

To promote inclusivity and create a safer environment in accordance with the fundamental principles of the Erasmus+ program, we have decided to make this project free from any substances. This commitment to a substance-free environment is designed to support a focused learning atmosphere, enabling participants to fully engage with the program content without distractions. Our experience with similar projects has been very positive, showcasing the significant benefits of maintaining a substance-free space for all participants.

We firmly believe that meaningful connections and enjoyable experiences can thrive without the use of any substances.

#### APPLY

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#### **OUR TEAM**



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#### YOUR TRAINERS SZYMON & ANIA



Together, they bring experience from a range of Erasmus+ projects, having taken on roles such as trainers, coordinators, participants, and leaders. Their focus is on delivering quality outcomes and driving meaningful change through the projects. They prioritize the well-being of all participants, ensuring that everyone feels comfortable and included.

#### Ania

Youth worker and project manager with a background in journalism and social communication. She began her journey as an ESC volunteer and has over four years of experience in international youth work. Her international experiences have shaped a deep understanding of intercultural dialogue, participation, and non-formal education as tools for empowerment and connection.

#### Szymon

He is a Master's student in Psychology with a deep passion for intercultural psychology and exploring identity through a psychological lens. He is actively engaged as a volunteer and (student) activist, focusing on mental health, human rights, and the integration.