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# **Erasmus+ TRAINING COURSE**

**INFOPACK** 

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# About the training course

"Youth for Impact" is a 5-day international training course focusing on strengthening the capacity of youth workers and young leaders to support and promote social entrepreneurship in youth work.

Through an interactive and hands-on learning process, the training will explore how social entrepreneurship can be used as a tool for inclusion, sustainability, and youth empowerment.

Participants will engage in non-formal education methods including workshops, simulations, case studies, and collaborative design sessions.

The project will also include field study visits to local social enterprise initiative in Armenia, providing practical inspiration and opportunities for reflection. The working language of the project is English.



#### Core topics include;

- Understanding the principles and values of social entrepreneurship;
- Designing and supporting youth-led initiatives with social impact;
- Exploring funding models, impact measurement, and storytelling;
- Learning from inspiring examples of local and international practice.

"Youth for Impact" is implemented under Erasmus+ KA153-YOU, coordinated by BIOVILLE (Latvia) and hosted by Colibri Youth Development Center (Armenia).

# Participants' profile

The Training course is designed for 16 youth workers and youth leaders from Latvia, Armenia, Italy, Ukraine, Czechia, and Slovenia.

- Actively involved in youth work (NGOs, youth centers, community projects)
- Interested in using social entrepreneurship as a tool for youth empowerment
- Motivated to develop innovative, sustainable, and inclusive initiatives for young people
- Ability to easily communicate in English
- Age: 20+





Place: Stepanavan, Armenia



Date: 15-21 August ,2025

# Accomodation

The Training Course will take place in Stepanavan, a small town, close to mountainous forest about 150 km away from Armenia's capital Yerevan.

The recently built and renovated guest house (Sunhome Stepanavan Guest house-

<u>https://www.facebook.com/sunhomestepanavan</u> )has host many international projects before and is located in the center of the town Stepanavan where shops, banks, ATMs and all the facilities are reachable for a comfortable stay.

The guesthouse has large indoor and outdoor working spaces, WiFi, and typical Armenian organic food, suitable for all the dietary regimes.

Bike rental is an extra service. It is equipped to host international projects with appropriate working spaces ,conference hall (also several medium and small-sized training halls for group activities/discussions), and also park /garden area and outdoor working spaces, pergolas (e.g. for team building, outdoor games, informal communications). Participants will be accommodated in 2-4 persons in a room with the same gender.





























# **Additional info**

#### Weather

In August, the weather is relatively warm in Stepanavan but it can be cool in the evenings, so please make sure to bring appropriate clothes with you, a jeaket or a hoodie. In Yerevan, the average temperature is usually a few degrees higher than in the mountains where the temperatures may drop in the evenings.

#### Travelling to the venue

<u>All participants are obliged to arrive not later than 15<sup>th</sup> of August (3pm ) to Yerevan</u> and leave not earlier than 21th of August, (1PM) 2025.

You should arrive to Yerevan, Zvartnots International airport from your countries, or you can also travel via Tbilisi, Georgia if there are better flight options, which should be confirmed in advance by the organising team.

For your flexible flights, It is possible to extend your total stay in Armenia by maximum 3 days before or after the project days covering your accommodation costs on your own.

On August 15th (arrival day), the team will organise a bus that will take all from Yerevan to Stepanavan and back on August 21.

Participants are responsible to arrange their transfer from bus station or airport to the meeting point themselves. More information will be provided to selected participants. Participants' booking of the ticket will serve as the final confirmation of participation in the project.

#### Insurance

All participants must have a travel /health/liability insurance during the stay in Armenia.



#### VISA Arrangement



Most countries do not need visa to enter Armenia. You can stay visa free for 180 days in Armenia if you are coming from the project participating countries. You must have to have a valid passport to enter Armenia, PASSPORT, not ID.



#### Money

The currency in Armenia is Armenian dram (AMD) . Approx 425 AMD= 1 EURO. You can exchange your money both in the airport or in the city on the arrival day as near the meeting point there will be exchange places. There are also exchange machines in the airport.

If you buy your ticket in your local currency, which might be different from EURO, we will calculate your travel costs according to the exchange rates from the official European Commission web. www.ec.europa.eu/budget/inforeuro/index.cfm?Language=en

#### **Traveling costs and reimbursements**

Travel costs for participants will be reimbursed up to the following maximum amounts:

- Latvia 370 EURO
- Italy 370 EURO
- Slovenia 370 EURO
- Ukraine 284 EURO
- Czechia 370 EURO
- Armenian transportation will be organised by the team.

25 Euro is already deducted from the lump sum which will be used for the local transportation of participants during the project.

The amounts are set by the European Commission based on the distance canclulation to the venue. Participants will be reimbursed for their travel within their lump sum mentioned above within 1.5 months after project. (After providing all travel documents).

There is no participation fee for this Training Course.





#### Preparation

All participants should prepare and bring the following to the project in Armenia:

- Country Research please research the social enterprise situation in your country and prepare a short report.
- Intercultural Evening you are invited to prepare a short interactive performance, dance, or any engaging activity that represents your culture.

You are also welcome to bring some sweets or a traditional dish to share during the cultural evenings.

- International Sweet Box you can contribute to our International Sweet Box by bringing national sweets (candies, cookies, etc.) from your country. These will be served during coffee breaks.
- Clothing please bring a jacket or hoodie for the chilly evenings.
- Most importantly bring your good mood and be ready to actively participate!

If You think you will benefit from this project and also contribute to it

Apply <u>HERE</u> ( *https://forms.gle/smHtU5dvzVVrw5KK6* )putting your correct name and the required fields.

Application results will be sent to your email within 2 weeks after the deadline. Thank you.

## **Partner organizations**

Latvia - Bioville

Armenia - Colibri Youth Development Center CNGO

Slovenia- Delta Z

Italy - Easy Sustainability

**Czechia - Harmony Youth Association Prague** 

**Ukraine - MIKS** 

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See You in Armenia 🙂