
Youth Leaders and Youth Workers Training Course
DIGITAL YOUTH PARTICIPATION

Call for Participants

8.-14. July 2026 (including travel days) in Braunschweig, Germany

Apply [here](#) by 29th of March 2026

About the training: This training course aims to give youth workers and youth leaders space to experience and share digital tools and approaches, as well as investigate new digital youth participation opportunities, all while having an eye on the realities and challenges of engaging young people in digital spaces.

Course objectives:

1. Increased familiarity with different digital tools and what they can offer for work internationally and locally, as well as working with young people online
2. Increased skills and knowledge on digital tools and how they can be matched with traditional methods
3. Increased adaptability in responding to how we work with young people through the everchanging digital world we live in
4. Exploring local good practice projects of (digital) youth participation
5. Sharing of digital youth work good practices, tools and methodologies

Additional opportunity: To network and make professional contacts for future European youth work collaboration.

Who can apply for this training course?

- Youth leaders
- Youth workers
- Youth work managers
- Youth trainers and facilitators
- Practitioners working in the field of non-formal learning and/or youth work
- Teachers
- Volunteers

Participants should be involved in their daily work (or highly interested in it):

- working with young people supporting their active participation and engagement
- Curious and open to using digital tools and platforms in youth work
- Able to communicate in English
- Above 18 years old

Provisional activity programme*

Arrival on the 8th July, departure on 14th July 2026

Thursday,, 09.07.	Friday, 10.07.	Saturday, 11.07.	Sunday, 12.07.	Monday, 13.07.
Get to know each other Intro to the training	<i>LocalXP Visit local youth club</i>	Exploring digital tools, platforms and spaces	Developing digital youth participation plan	Showcasing plans and digital solutions
<i>Break</i>				
My digital pathways and experiences	<i>LocalXP Visit local youth club</i>	Exploring digital tools, platforms and spaces	Choosing and setting up digital tools, platforms and places	Open Agenda
<i>Lunch</i>				
Building the learning group	Digital Youth Participation	Developing digital youth participation plan	<i>LocalXP: VirtuaLounge</i>	Reflection time
<i>Break</i>				
Digital Task Master	Digital Youth Personas		Digital Inspiration	
Reflection time	Reflection time	<i>Free afternoon</i>	Reflection time	Final evaluation and closing
<i>Dinner</i>				
<i>Optional social group activities</i>				

*Adjustments may be possible due to the availability of local activities and participants' needs

Activity venue: [Jugendherberge \(youth hostel\) Braunschweig](#)

You will be accommodated in shared rooms of 2-3 people.



Digital credentials and certification

This training is a unique opportunity for participants to use up-to-date and digital recognition solutions, such as digital Open Badges. Every participant will receive a Youthpass certificate and earn Open Badges to build their professional portfolio, linked to specific course activities and experiences.

Watch some videos to understand what Open Badges are and how they can be beneficial:

- ▶ Open Badge Essentials
- ▶ Get Noticed with Open Badges: Create a Stunning Portfolio to Stand Out
- ▶ First Steps to Start Using Open Badges

Organisers

For more information, please contact the organisers:

- Jugendbüro Braunschweig, Rebecca.Schlisske@braunschweig.de

An experienced team will facilitate this training:

- [Nerijus Kriauciunas](#), Awero, Cities of Learning Network
- [Buzz Bury](#), Blackpool City of Learning, Cities of Learning Network

Participants' recruitment and selection:

Please apply using this form before 29th of March 2026:

<https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSeuPUQTIVZB7fQfghTI2L4sWu0A4C1F9wErkQwbDtLoGuoYrA/viewform?usp=sharing&oid=108255266105159830211>

Travel costs will be reimbursed based on the actual costs, not exceeding the lump sums based on the [travel distances](#), in Euro:

- 10-99 km - 28 / green travel - 56
- 100-499 km - 211/ green travel - 285
- 500-1999 km - 309/ green travel 417
- 2000-2999 km - 395/ green travel 535

Only justified costs will be eligible for reimbursement. If travel costs exceed the lump sums, the remaining costs shall be covered by the participant or their sending organisation.

Participants may opt for the “green travel” options, which come with a slightly higher travel budget. Please contact the organiser for more information about eligible green travel options.

Board, lodging, local transportation and programme implementation costs will be covered upon full participation in the event.

Participants will be responsible for purchasing their **travel insurance** which will be reimbursed up to 20 Euro. The organisers will not be able to cover unexpected additional travel costs due to cancellations or delays, if participants will not have travel insurance.

To balance the training activity budget, we invite participants to contribute a **50 euro participation fee**, which will be deducted from the travel costs reimbursement. In justified cases, participants may request a discount or waive the contribution. Participation fee should not be a barrier to participation.