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# INFOPACK

From the Ground Up – Building youth participation in local communities

## Training course

To deepen the understanding of youth participation in democratic decision-making and to strengthen the capacity to design and facilitate meaningful participation processes for and with young people.

**Malaga, Spain**  
**15 - 22.7.2026**





## What's it about?

Through non-formal education and experiential learning approaches, participants will explore key concepts related to youth participation, including the principles of participation, the ladder of participation, power dynamics, digital and virtual youth spaces, and the role of rights in participatory practice, while gaining insight into practical tools and methods that promote youth engagement across local, national and European levels.

The course places strong emphasis on the role of youth workers as enablers of youth participation in their local communities. Participants will examine how non-formal education activities can be designed and facilitated in an engaging and empowering way, with particular attention to building young people's agency, encouraging civic engagement, supporting youth organisations in navigating decision-making spaces, and connecting participatory competences to real-life youth work contexts. By combining theoretical input with structured reflection and peer exchange, the training supports participants in critically analysing the participatory realities of their home countries, mapping local practices, and identifying where youth work can make a difference.

Where and when?

**15-22 July 2026**  
**Malaga, Spain**

Apply until

**20th June 2026**

# PROJECT DETAILS



## What will the tc look like?

Going beyond theory, the training course is highly participatory and practice-oriented. Participants will engage in interactive workshops, small-group design sessions, intercultural exchange, and hands-on activities - including a simulation of cooperation between youth organisations and local authorities, and a self-organised exploration of local realities. Special focus will be placed on developing concrete local follow-up activities and personal and professional commitment plans that integrate participatory approaches into everyday youth work practice.

The initial phase of the training focuses on building a safe and supportive learning environment, fostering trust among participants, and creating a strong sense of group cohesion.

As the training progresses, participants will deepen their understanding of core concepts in youth participation, including the principles of participation, the ladder of participation, power dynamics, rights-based approaches, and the evolving landscape of digital and virtual youth participation.

In the later stages of the programme, participants will focus on applying their learning through local-level activity design and experiential learning cycles. Working in teams, they will develop concrete educational activities rooted in youth participation principles and adapted to their local contexts. Through a simulation of cooperation between youth organisations and local authorities, peer feedback, and structured reflection, they will refine their activity concepts and personal commitment plans for follow-up action at home.

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The training is rooted in Youth Goal 9:  
Space and Participation for All

It contributes to:

1. Ensuring young people can adequately influence all areas of society and all parts of the decision-making processes, from agenda setting to implementation, monitoring and evaluation through youth-friendly and accessible mechanisms and structures, ensuring that policies respond to the needs of young people.
2. Ensuring equal access to everyday decision making for all young people from different backgrounds

# PROJECT DETAILS





## Further goals of the project

**1.** To introduce participants to key concepts of youth participation in democratic decision-making, using the principles of participation and the ladder of participation as a common reference point.

**2.** To explore country realities of youth work and participation, fostering exchange of experiences and good practices among participants from different national contexts.

**3.** To equip participants with practical skills for developing concrete local follow-up activities rooted in youth participation principles and adaptable to their own youth work contexts.

**4.** To foster understanding of how Erasmus+ and Youthpass connect to and support youth participation as tools for recognition and professional development.

**5.** To support participants in developing personal and professional commitment plans for fostering youth participation and civic engagement after the training.

**6.** To examine the role of non-formal education as a tool for empowering youth participation in local communities, and to strengthen participants' competences in designing and facilitating participatory activities with and for young people.



# GOALS





## In

We are expecting you on the 15th of July 2026 in the afternoon (between 17:00 and 19:00 o'clock).

The Welcome Program start will be arranged with the trainers based on arrival time of the participants, and dinner will be served between 19:30 - 20:30h.

## and out

The departure is envisioned for the morning of 22th of July 2026 after breakfast.

# TIMING

## Malaga, Spain

### 15 - 22.7.2026

Participants are expected to attend the full duration of the Training Course

### 15th - 22th July 2026





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# Malaga

All participants will be accommodated at

**Albergue Inturjoven Malaga**

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## Please note

Breakfast, lunch and dinner will be served daily at the residence.

The Training Course will be held at the residence .

**Good to know !**

All participants will be accommodated in **Albergue Inturjoventes Malaga**, very well connected to the city center by public transport.

Participants will be placed in 3/4-bed rooms (bunk beds). Bed sheets and towels are included. WI-FI connection in the whole building.  
Check-in from 14:00 (it is possible to leave the luggage in a storage room)

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Hostel



Rooms



Dining area

# ACCOMMODATION



# TRAVEL

For all information about booking your tickets and coming to Malaga, you should be in contact with **Veronica Bracaccini** – in charge of project logistics, by using the official project e-mail (you can find all contacts below).



We are kindly asking you to choose the ecologically and economically friendly means of transport, if possible.

Sustainable means of transport (green travel) is defined as the travel that uses low emissions means of transport for the main part of the travel, such as bus, train or carpooling.





Participants must keep all travel documents (tickets, travel agency invoices and boarding passes) as organizers are able to make any reimbursement only on the bases of presented documents!

A detailed guide to reimbursement will be provided.

Please don't buy your tickets before we approve them!

When you will plan your trip and BEFORE buying your tickets (especially if your planned travel itineraries are different than 15th - 22nd July, please inform us in advance, so we can approve your tickets and travel costs.

P.S. At purchasing your travel ticket, please ask for the invoice

Travel costs will be reimbursed only for the cheapest way of transport and for the return tickets. Travel expenses are covered by the organisers 100% up to the maximum of unit cost per distance calculator and means of travel, including bank transfer and other appropriate fees (for all the original tickets and ways of travel that are plane, bus, train, ferry, carpooling, NOT taxi).

For distances, less than 500 km one way (by Distance Calculator | Erasmus+), the preferable means of transport are land transportations, such as train and/or bus. If other mean of transport is selected for such travels, e.g. airplane, those will be reimbursed 60% of airfare, in accordance with the principle of environmental awareness and protection.

# TRAVEL



Travel budget calculation is based on the distance between your starting point and the venue of the program:

10 -99 km	28€ / 56€	green option
100 - 499 km	211€ / 285€	green option
500 - 1999 km	309€ / 417€	green option
2000 - 2999 km	395€ / 535€	green option
3000 - 3999 km	580€ / 785€	green option
4000 - 7999 km	1.188€	
8000 - more	1.735€	

The distance must be calculated according to the official Erasmus+ distance Calculator, which you can find at the following link:

<https://erasmus-plus.ec.europa.eu/resources-and-tools/distance-calculator>

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# REIMBURSEMENT

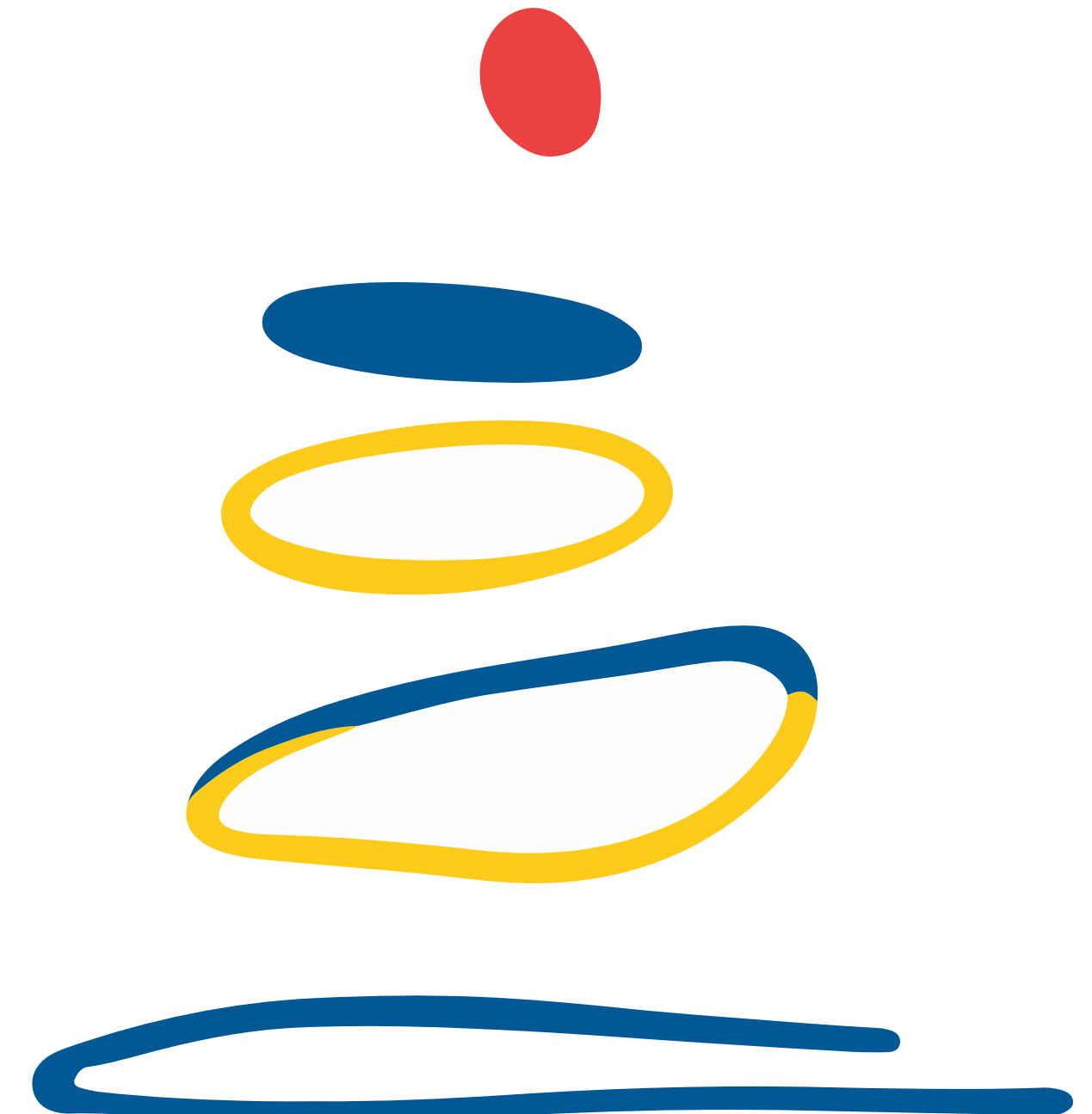
The travel reimbursement **will be done by bank transfers only, after you return home** and send us the ORIGINAL boarding passes and tickets (and after you submit/send us the filled in evaluation forms of the training course).





## Further Rules regarding the booking of the tickets and reimbursement:

1. Only the cheapest tickets will be reimbursed. We will not cover tickets with the deviation from the direct route (A - B - A), extra unnecessary stops and layovers. We don't cover seat reservation fees, leisure plus tickets, flexible tariff tickets, extra travel insurances, priority boarding fees, local bus baggage, handwritten tickets or bianco nota bills.
2. Extra hand luggage can be covered if within budget (make sure you send a plan before purchasing, as some extra fees might be applied by some airlines).
3. We can't cover travel agencies' fees. Travel agencies invoices for the tickets won't be accepted for reimbursement.
4. We can't reimburse taxi, only public transport and carpooling will be covered. Multiple trips passes/ memberships for transportation are not eligible for reimbursement;
5. You can arrive maximum 1 day before the activity or depart maximum 1 day after if you want to spend more time in Malaga on your own. In that case, travel expenses must stay within the agreed budget, while accommodation on the extra days is not covered. For green travels, participants can have up to 4 additional travel days. Extra days are meant to be used to reach the destination A to B, not for prolonged stays in the venue.





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# CONTACTS

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For planning your travel you are directed to contact the project team by using the mail address.

Veronica Braccacini is the person in charge of logistics of the project.

In case of any problem during your travel or if you need any further information please don't hesitate to contact us!



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