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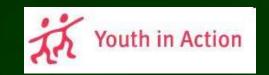
A training course to develop intergenerational actions with young people

3rd edition of a successful training course!

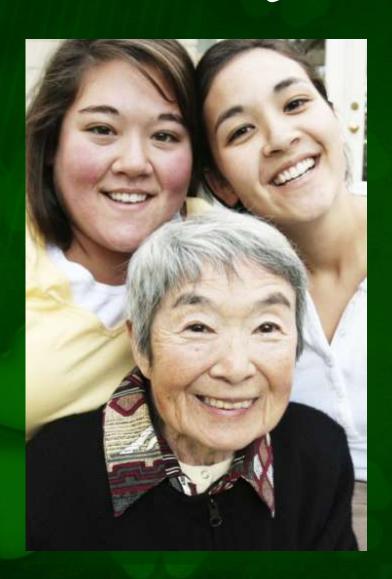
- Methodology: A creative and interactive 6-day residential training course to explore and develop new community-based intergenerational activities.
- <u>Countries involved</u>: EU MEMBER STATES, Iceland, Liechtenstein, Norway, Switzerland, Croatia
- Target Participants: YOUTH WORKERS, Trainers, Youth leaders, Project managers and YOUNG PEOPLE who are interested in developing action projects on intergenerational work as a tool for positive social change
- Language of the training: English No of participants: 26
- Date and venue: 17-23/11/2012, Ceska Skalice, Czech Republic www.vilacerych.cz
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Context:

2012 has been designated as priority year across Europe for **intergenerational work**. This training course has been developed to explore the ways in which youth workers, trainers, project managers and others within the **Youth in Action program** can be involved in intergenerational work. In today's society and in local communities, young people have limited interaction with "OLDER PEOPLE" (i.e. above retirement age). Many fixed stereotypes are held regarding "older people" and "young people". This can result in discrimination and isolation. **Intergenerational work** provides an opportunity for young people to engage with older people and for older people to engage with young people for the mutual exchange of knowledge, skills and support.

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Intergenerational work aims to:

- · Bring older and younger people together in purposeful, mutually beneficial activities
- · Breaks down barriers that exist between younger and older people in disadvantaged communities
- · Build respectful and cohesive communities which reduce social exclusion.
- Through intergenerational youth work, younger people can experience lifelong learning concept and will become more active and inclusive citizens in their community.

Objectives:

- •To explore AGEISM and identify and CHALLENGE the prejudices and STEREOTYPES about age.
- •To raise AWARENESS and UNDERSTANDING about the nature of 'intergenerational work' and how it fits together with the concept of LIFELONG LEARNING
- •To generate some **NEW IDEAS** of how and what youth workers in **COMMUNITY** contexts can do at local and European levels to develop current intergenerational practice
- •To provide foundations to enable participants to: network, share intergenerational work "best practice" and promote and implement intergenerational work in their own communities within the context of the YOUTH IN ACTION PROGRAM