

# **GENERAL PROGRAMME OVERVIEW**

MONDAY 21/01	TUESDAY 22/01	WEDNESDAY 23/01	THURSDAY 24/01	FRIDAY 25/01
Team arrives 1 day before Arrival participants	Intro to the TC	Intro to the day SG 1: Partner finding	Intro to the day Project & programme building	Intro to the day SG 6: Feedback on application forms
	BREAK	BREAK	BREAK	BREAK
	ICL	SG 2: Prep Partner meeting	SG 4: Partner meeting part 2	Partner groups meet and evaluate together Future perspectives
	LUNCH	LUNCH	LUNCH	LUNCH
	YiA Programme	SG 3: Partner meeting	SG 5: Application forms with common moments	Consultation for youth workers Sportive activity for young people
	BREAK		BREAK	BREAK
	Participation of young people	Cultural visit to Santarém Free time	Self-assessment & Youthpass	Consultation for youth workers Sportive activity for young people
	Self assessment			Final evaluation
DINNER	DINNER	DINNER IN TOWN	DINNER	DINNER
Welcome evening: getting to know each other and the programme  Welcome drinks	International evening in the village with Portuguese families	Free evening (with optional activities)	Life testimonies of local community (young people and associations)	Goodbye evening with the local community (public event)

#### **LOCAL INVOLVEMENT AND IMPACT:**

INTERNATIONAL EVENING: participants will be divided in smaller groups and hosted for a Portuguese dinner in a local family. After the dinner, all participants and involved families will join together for the discovery of (the snacks and drinks from) the present countries on the EYEOpener.

BREAKFAST: will happen each morning in the central café in the village, creating a direct link with the local population

PUBLIC EVENTS: at various moments in the programme, local associations and young people are also interested in sharing their reality with the participant group.

HOSTING: the participants will be hosted inside different smaller houses within the village, being fully part of the village life during the week of the training course.

SG = Simulation Exercise

Energizers and short games are a constant factor in this TC, allowing a transferability of these elements to future projects.

Some sessions are given separately: group youth workers / group young people. This allows a better choice of content and methods used.



### CONTEXT

This **EYEOpener** will take place in a rural village in the centre of Portugal, 'Vila da Marmeleira', which has 460 habitants. Over the past 2 years, different international activities (including YiA projects) have been implemented in this community, offering a win-win situation for all involved - local development and change for local people through their involvement in the activities and a deep intercultural experience for the participants. Besides the pedagogical outcomes of the international activities (e.g. training course, seminar, workcamp), the different projects have left their mark on the community. A local impact and international footprint have been left behind. At this moment in time, a group of young people between the ages of 13 &

15 has started the preparations for the hosting of a youth exchange in August 2013.

This village seems to us a good setting to organize this training course, focusing on the following aspects:

- Young people as actors in the different steps of a youth exchange, supported and coached by youth workers.
- The local community as the integral supporting structure of a youth exchange.
- The impact and permanent mark on a local community as a result of a youth exchange.



40 laughing bellies during the 1st EYEOpener TC in NL, September 2010

The above features will not only be discussed and analysed, but will also be based upon real practical experience during the training course.

#### CONCEPT

This training course (TC) is based upon the current BTM training course (same concept and structure, for more information see <a href="http://www.salto-youth.net/BTM/">http://www.salto-youth.net/BTM/</a>) but has a different purpose and set up in terms of target group. Instead of 1 representative per organization, this Training Course focuses on youth-adult pairings (1 adult leader e.g. youth worker, social worker, politician + 1 or 2 young people, per youth group/organization (2 youth leaders depending on national or local requirements). However following the main structure of the current BTM, additional sessions will be implemented:

- → Within separate groups: young people together and adults together
- → Within the different pairing groups to reflect upon their 'working together' and also during the different life testimonies



# DURATION

4 full training days (1 more than the current BTM, in order to allow more depth and working at different levels). The first 'TC EYE opener' took place successfully in The Netherlands from 06<sup>th</sup> of September till the 11<sup>th</sup> of September 2010 with a group of 40 participants. The 2<sup>nd</sup> EYEOpener took place in Finland, October 2011, and the 3<sup>rd</sup> in Portugal in July 2012.

## **TARGET GROUP**

**1 ADULT LEADER** (over 18) who deals directly with the young people and is committed to engaging in the future development of a youth exchange in partnership with the young persons.

Two leaders (1 male/1 female) can attend if two young people, male and female, are participating or where national legislation require this (after agreeing with the sending National Agency)

1 TO 2 YOUNG PEOPLE: between 15-18 years old.

Max 40 participants (aiming at between 12 and 18 pairing groups).

Please note that: all the programme parts and activities (e.g. meals) are alcohol free. During the free moments in the programme, all national groups are responsible for their own 'decision'.

# TRAINERS TEAM FOR THIS EYEOPENER

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