*** CALL FOR PARTICIPANTS ***



Empowering Youth for Active Participation through Nature Experience

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- **②** Do you want the young people you work with to take more initiative and responsibility for themselves and their local community?
- **2** Do you want to explore innovative outdoor & community methods as an attractive means to facilitate young people's search to find their place in their community & in the world?
- **②** Are you looking for inspiration on how to use your local surroundings as an active part of the learning of the young people you work with?

TRAINING COURSE

'Find Your Place' is a 5-day training course for youth leaders, youth workers & trainers who seek to further develop their competencies to empower young people - to take initiative and responsibility for themselves and their community - by using outdoor experiences, nature- based education and activities within the local community.

By the end of the project, participants will be able to use and apply a wide range of outdoor and nature-based tools and methods for empowering young people.

MORE SPECIFIC OBJECTIVES ARE:

- To raise awareness about the variety of learning opportunities that the local environment can offer within the non-formal education of young people.
- To allow participants to experience, and reflect on, the use and the educational value of innovative outdoor methods that support youth workers to promote the involvement and initiative-taking of young people in their local communities.
- To explore the different understandings of what "interconnectedness with the natural world" means in terms of educational work with young people.
- To connect and contribute to the local community (of this training course) and reflect on the potential values and competences that such activities encourage in young people's sense of responsibility and initiative-taking.
- To encourage participants to share good practices from their own experiences in order to facilitate peer learning and future cooperation.



TARGET GROUP AND CRITERIA

25 experienced youth workers, youth leaders and trainers, who either:

- have experience with outdoor activities (outdoor sports trainers, outdoor summer camp leaders, etc.) and want to develop further their competences in nature-based education; or
- work in urban areas and want to integrate the use of natural environment in their work.

All participants should have a sufficient level of **English** to be able to participate in discussion and in training activities

The participants should be resident of one of the YiA Programme countries and be at least 18 years old.

THE PROGRAMME

8 June	9 June	10 June	11 June	12 June	13 June	14 June
	Service & Care					
Arrival of participants	Meet the people * Get to	Spotlight On Empowerment	Earth Empowerment * Universe Story	Sharing Solo Experiences	Transfer to home reality	
	know the		Lunch			
	* Feel the Place	Trust & Creativity in nature based education	Solo time	Workshops: Share & Inspire	Evaluation * Closing	Departure of participants
	Reflection Group		in Nature	Reflection Groups		
Dinner			Dinner			
1st Get together & Icebreaking	Tour around the artefact venue	Around the fire		Hollywood evening	Farewell Party	



THE VENUE

ARTEFACT operates the Centre as a meeting-place for educational programmes and congresses with a futuristic infrastructure:

- Seminar and convention rooms constructed with materials that save energy and do justice to location specifications
- 2 Living and common rooms in attractive international cobwork design
- Independent energy supply from renewable resources with modern solar-wind-biomass power plant
- **2** Water resource savings techniques and ecological sewage purification



Furthermore it's beautifully located at the edge of fields and forrest and in 40 minutes walking distance to beaches of the Baltic sea! It's a great place for our programme, an inspiration for sustainable housing and technology and a great place to spend a good summer week together!

APPLY NOW!

Apply NOW through the <u>SALTO Website</u> (http://trainings.salto-youth.net/3406)
Please remember, that you have to contact your National Agency of your country first to check if they would support your participation in this particular project. You can find the contacts to your <u>National Agency here</u> (http://www.salto-youth.net/tools/european-training-calendar/help/national-agencies/).

Don't forget: the DEADLINE for applications is 14 April, 2013!

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