# THE "IMPROVEABILITY"

#### TRAINING FOR DESIGNING NFE TOOLS FOR EMPLOYMENT

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### WHY?

#### Because:

- **unemployment** is the key burning issue among young people in Europe
- **youth work** has been identified as one of the key approaches in dealing with this issue, since it develops **competences** that cannot be gained elsewhere
- most youth workers are still struggling to understand the link between youth work and employability
- there is a **lack of tools** (methods, approaches) in linking youth work to employability
- nonformal education offers creative potential to develop new tools that would stay
  true to your work, but at the same time increase young people's employability
- nonformal education can equip and empower young people not only for future employment, but also for **all aspects of social interaction**.

#### WHAT?

**The main aim** is to strengthen the role of youth work in fighting unemployment of young people through development of new nonformal education tools that would increase their employability.

#### **Specific objectives:**

- To gain understanding of youth work as a powerful tool for empowerment and personal development of young people
- To share the realities of youth work and employability in participant's communities and approaches that have worked in bringing them together;
- To understand the importance of experiential learning and practice in increasing employability of young people;
- To recognise learning needs of young people and be able to design new tools according to them.
- To increase ability to asses competences of young people and develop tools that would build up on their existing competences and develop ones that are missing for their future employment;
- To develop practical competencies in designing and applying new tools of nonformal education in youth work;
- To increase the level of creativity, innovation, self confidence and trust in nonformal educational tools;
- To recognise the value and increase the ability to use Erasmus+ programme in increasing the employability of young people;
- To contribute to a long term change in educational approach to employability in youth work field.

#### FOR WHO?

For youth workers that:

- are dedicated to working with young people in their local reality (work with unemployed young people is desirable, but not necessary)
- have the basic knowledge of facilitation of nonformal learning processes

- have a desire to apply their competences in developing new nonformal education tools that would increase the employability of young people
- are supported by their respective organisations in applying their competencies and newly developed tools in working with young people

#### **BYWHOM?**

**Youth Power's mission** is to inspire, energize and strengthen the youth's efforts to shape a peaceful and sustainable future, for a multicultural Cyprus. We envision a peaceful, sustainable, multicultural Cyprus, comprised of aware, empowered and active citizens.

## The objectives of Youth Power are:

- To inspire, empower and energize young Cypriots to work towards achieving their vision of a peaceful, sustainable and multicultural Cyprus.
- To provide a powerful platform for young people to voice their needs and concerns regarding the future of Cyprus.
- To encourage, support and promote communication, activities and relationships that engage, empower and motivate young Cypriots to be active citizens.
- To create intercultural bridges through joint activities, whose aim is to get the youth of Cyprus involved in common issues such as peace-building, the environment and human rights.

#### **COSTS**

This project is funded by **Erasmus+ Programme**. According to its rules, all costs of board and logging will be covered by the organisers. In addition, Youth Power is going to reimburse participants' travel costs (upon the receipt of all original tickets and invoices), up to the following amounts:

Departure country	Maximum amount of the travel costs to be reimbursed (per participant)
Bosnia and Herzegovina	275,00 EUR
Macedonia	275,00 EUR
Malta	275,00 EUR
Montenegro	275,00 EUR
Poland	275,00 EUR
Romania	275,00 EUR
Serbia	275,00 EUR
UK	530,00 EUR

In addition, there is a 30EUR participation fee per participant.

If you are interested in taking part in the "IMPROVEABILITY" training course, please fill in the application form and return it completed, **not later than October 1**st, **2015** to <a href="mailto:improveability2015@gmail.com">improveability2015@gmail.com</a>!