

Towards Collaborative Practice 2016

Forum on Social Innovation and Entrepreneurship

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Lecce - Italy

Preliminary Programme



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It is co-organised by the Italian "Erasmus+" National Agency and the SALTO-YOUTH Participation Resource Centre, in collaboration with the Bulgarian, Danish, Hungarian, Maltese, Spanish and UK "Erasmus+" National Agencies.

The three-day #TCP2016 Forum is structured around participatory activities, such as panel discussions, open space, presentations by national and international experts and workshops on specific topics.

The event aims to the collaborative construction of a conceptual baseline to address social innovation and entrepreneurship from a common understanding based on a diversity of realities and approaches.

The #TCP2016 Forum is meant to provide an interactive and dynamic space for participants to enable them to interact in order to produce innovative ideas and projects.

The approach is eminently practical and inclusive for the benefit of participants and targeting young people with fewer opportunities with the added value of non-formal learning and the support of the Erasmus+ Programme. The organisers wish to reach a balance between participants' interaction and the inputs of keynote speakers and experts on the subjects.

Thus, participants will be offered opportunities for sharing and showcasing good practices, methods and learning moments on different levels.

Working methods

The #TCP2016 Forum will be a combination of :

1. Getting-to-know-you activities, reflection and continuous assessment to facilitate group work and to assess learning;

2. Collaborative practice showcase and field visits to share experiences, good practices and ideas in order to conduct a common inquiry into the realities of social

innovation and entrepreneurship in different countries and contexts;

3. Experience panels and expert presentation of local and international experiences/topics with questions afterwards in plenary;

4. Workshops run by the participants to test methods and tools and to present projects and policies to understand the complexities of social innovation and entrepreneurship in local and international contexts;

5. Plenary sessions connected to the corresponding experiential sessions;

6. Open space to deepen the general knowledge for project building and the creation of networks and partnerships according to areas of interest and fields of work;

7. One2one and evening activities: breaks and evening time to meet, discuss topics and interests and build partnerships to develop new projects and strategies.

	Welcome	Defining/Finding a common ground / baseline	Learning from collaborative practice	Creating impact: networking & collaborative practice	Departures
	Mon, 28 Nov	Tue, 29 Nov	Wed, 30 Nov	Thu, 1 Dec	Fri, 2 Dec
Morning 1		Opening Ceremony #TCP2016 Concept Presentation, Objectives and People	Collaborative Practice Showcase - 1	Open Space - 1	
Morning 2		Looking for Definitions and Common Ground: Keynote speakers Workgroups (field/ interest-related)	Collaborative Practice Showcase - 2	Open Space - 2 OS Conclusions and...	
Lunch					
Afternoon 1		Workshops - 1 (Addressing the morning topics)	Field Visits (Local enterprises and projects)	...Next Steps (Workgroups for action plans)	
Afternoon 2		Workshops - 2 Plenary: Day Conclusions and Feedback	Field Visits (Local enterprises and projects)	Conclusions Workgroups Plenary Official Closing	
Dinner					
Evening	Welcome Reception Find your Colour Activity	Official Reception with Local/Regional Authorities	Cultural Activity with Local Community	Evening Concert	

More about the sessions

The #TCP2016 Forum will resort to innovative and creative methods to bring concrete examples, share methods, practices across sectors, and experience the local realities of innovation and social entrepreneurship face-to-face during the field visits. There will be several opportunities for participants to interact and contribute to the #TCP2016 Forum objectives. Workshops will be led by experts and participants selected during the application process. Likewise, good practices, innovative methods, tools, and learning experiences on how to overcome obstacles will be offered a space on the stage for showcasing. Open space will be available to everyone for a structured brainstorming so as to tackle not only pending topics but also to facilitate networking and project-building among participants.

Arrival day - Welcome

Welcome Reception for pax

After registration and colour tagging according to your interests and fields of work, you will be welcome to the venue and the #TCP2016 Forum. Mingling is not compulsory but highly recommendable.

Day 1 - Defining/Finding a common ground/baseline (Social innovation, Social Entrepreneurship & Erasmus+)

Opening Ceremony and Forum Presentation

We will meet in plenary and give you the official welcome you deserve with greetings from the organisers and Italian Institutions (Director of NA, Mayor of the City of Lecce). We will also take some of your time to introduce the concept behind this #TCP2016 Forum, the background, its objectives and the local, national and European situation regarding social innovation and social entrepreneurship. You will also have the opportunity to discover the diversity of delegates/participants attending the #TCP2016 Forum.

Looking for Definitions and Common Ground

Keynote speakers and experts on social innovation and entrepreneurship will offer their knowledge, approaches and opinions on the topic. We expect diverse views not only from the experts but also from the participants, reflecting your different national and local realities. Questions will be raised at the end of the session: how to reach a common understanding? How can the framework of the Erasmus+ programme contribute to working definitions of the concepts? Hopefully, this will raise further questions and food for thought for the coming days. We will work in workgroups according to your field of interest and ask you to follow up the #TCP2016 Forum from your workgroup.

Workshops

Experts and participants selected at the application process will be invited to run workshops addressing the topics introduced during the morning. Workshops will run in parallel depending on the number of participants required. List of tentative workshops, facilitators and content will be made available for registration to secure a minimum number of participants per workshop.

Group Reflection and Plenary

How was your first day at the Forum? What did you find out? What did you learn (or unlearn)? Day conclusions and feedback in evaluation groups. A day conclusion in plenary will follow.

Official Reception

After an intense first day, local authorities will invite you to the official reception to enjoy their welcome greetings and chill out with local food and music.

Day 2 - Learning from collaborative practice (Methods, tools and experiences)

Collaborative Practice Showcase

Do you have a good practice, method or tool for social innovation and entrepreneurship? Have you implemented or used it and would like to show others how it works (or doesn't)? (yes, we can also learn from things that didn't work out and call it also learning experience). This is your opportunity to show your learning experience and help others be inspired by it. If you wish to participate in this showcase morning, please tell us about it in the application and we will find you a place according to your needs and format (Possible formats: tool fair stand /workshops/ presentations /poster exhibit).

Field Visits (local enterprises and projects)

The local reality of Lecce and Puglia will be embedded into the #TCP2016 Forum. Participants will have the opportunity to choose a field visit from several options that will be available for sign-up. The emphasis of the visits will be on best practices, innovative methods and ideas, and learning experiences.

Cultural interactive activity with local community

Tour or guided orientation in Lecce. We will enjoy the city with the help of the locals. Prepare for an interactive discovery and exploration of the city and its culture. Wear comfortable walking shoes and your adventurer gear.

Day 3 - Creating impact: networking & collaborative practice - Conclusions

Open Space

The morning will be dedicated to an open space activity. You will be given the opportunity to present your idea, topic or project and get others to join you to get feedback, new partners or just to introduce an idea. It's up to you! We will be there to help you with the process. Bring your idea or use the one you developed during the #TCP2016 Forum and let's work on it together. Signing-up is not required. Just pop in with your idea!

Next Steps

We don't want you to leave empty-handed. Of course, knowledge and experience count as outcomes but still we feel like providing some structured space for you to further develop your ideas and make concrete action plan for networking and project building, ideally within the framework of the Erasmus+ programme.

Conclusions

Workgroups will gather to check on their initial expectations and progress during the Forum in order to draw conclusions not only on the learning process but also on the outcomes and next steps.

Official Closing

The organisers will share their views on the #TCP2016 Forum, how their expectations were met (or not) and how life will be after Lecce. Be prepared for follow-up news. It's not a 'goodbye' but an 'arrivederci' or 'ci sentiamo'!

Evening Concert

Time and place TBC



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