

RE-EMPOWERING_COMMUNITY VERSION: BUILDING RESILIENCE AND EMPOWERMENT IN LOCAL COMMUNITIES

03-11 March 2017
Dolo - Italy

The framework

In the last years we have been focusing a lot on self-development and individual processes. We also live in a very individualistic society and in an ego-centred culture, where the satisfaction of the individual needs come first. Nowadays, Europe is living one of the biggest immigration phenomenon, while many countries have not recovered from the economical crises. The consequence is that much more people want to access to a limited amount of resources.

How do we deal with collective needs and rights? How can we respond to it as a community and not only as individual? What is the role that youth workers can play?

This TC aims to answer to these questions!

Objectives

- to promote an open and creative training environment for non-formal learning;
- to support participants in getting familiar with the concept of resilience and empowerment;
- to improve participants' competences in supporting community empowering process
- to support participants in mastering new empowerment and resilience tool
- to experiment a concrete strategy of community empowerment by working with a group of asylum seekers and migrants
- to improve participants's abilities in developing a learning activity
- to promote the exchange of good practices and the network in the social area.

The target

This 7 days non formal education training is dedicated to youth-workers, social workers, teachers, community workers etc. Priority to people who are in daily life professionally working in youth work, migration and social inclusion area. We need participants who are motivated to actively participate, taking responsibility for their learning and able to communicate in English.

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This training is very special, since during the week together we will have the chance to work with a group of migrants that live in Italy during three afternoons. You will be divided in 3 groups and each group will take care of developing, preparing and implement one activity to be realized having this group of migrants+ the rest of the group of participants that are

not involved as target. We know it is challenging!!! But we (the trainers) and the other participants are here to support this amazing process happening!! We believe that training courses should not be a big bubble, but a safe environment where to experiment and develop new competences!!

The topics of the activities will be: *empowerment of individuals, intercultural learning, community empowerment and social inclusion*. That is why you are asked what is your preference while fulfilling the application form: we recommend to choose up to 2 topics you will be interested in working in as facilitator! The skype meeting in the week before the training course is meant to get to know the other members of the group you will work with and brainstorm; during the first days of the training you will have time to finalize the preparation of the activity with the support of the trainers too.

The venue

The training course will be hosted by Casa a Colori in Dolo ([click here](#) for more info), a beautiful place very close to Venice and surrounded by the palladian villas in the Riviera del Brenta ([palladian villas](#)). You will be sharing the bedroom together with other 2/3 people. You will receive more information about the venue once you are selected.

Your commitment

If you decide to apply, please keep in mind that there are some tasks to be done before you come, so be sure you have the time to do it!

The preparation to the TC has different phases:

a) To be sent by the **23th of February**:

- Interview 1 member of your community (city, town, colleagues, young people at the youth centre etc.) and ask what does he/she think about the migration phenomenon that is happening in Europe. The video has to be 1 min max!!! It would be great if it could be in English

b) You will be invited to join a fb group

c) your availability to attend to 1 skype meeting in the week before the training course (a couple of hours)

d) To bring with you to the training course:

- A short research on the situation about immigration in your region/town/country (numbers, impact on the population). You are not going to present it (so no power point); the information will be shared in small groups
- 8 pictures (printed) that represent something important of or for you: one of your characteristics, some relevant aspects of your life, a passion or a talent that you have etc.

Be sure you have the time to book your flight ticket. After receiving a “yes”, you have 4 days to book your flight to Venice Marco Polo or to Venice Treviso airport. To confirm your participation is necessary to send your flight ticket to: workinprogresspadova@gmail.com



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The Trainers

Giulia Mastropirro (IT), trainer, counselor, and coordinator of education projects for several Italian organisations.

Karlis Visa (LV), social worker, supervisor, expert of social inclusion.

Costs

The travel costs will be covered until the maximum sum related to the distance band (Erasmus+ rules) and reimbursed within 4 weeks after receiving all the necessary documents. 100% of accommodation and food are covered by the project. **There is a participation fee from 40,00 to 80,00 euros. Each participant will decide how much to pay according to his/her personal financial condition. The participation fee has to be paid in cash at the beginning of the tc**

What else? Read the programme and... APPLY!

How? Fulfill the application form <https://goo.gl/forms/IIZwCV6th9iPLDtb2> by the 5th of February. Results will be communicated on the 6th. You will have to confirm your participation by the 10th sending your flight ticket to workinprogresspadova@gmail.com

We are waiting for you!!

Good luck!!

For further information

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