

2.-10. OCTOBER 2017/ADAMOV/BRNO

# YOUTH ACTIVATOR

Move yourself closer to us and let's make it happen together! Do you ask what? An international training course on active citizenship called Youth activator. Why? Because it is a great chance to find out how to get in touch with your community and start a change; you will meet 30 inspiring people from across Europe, learn from each other and you will get a possibility to experience the Czech countryside as well as city life. And when will this all come true? It will be a few intensive days from 2nd to 10th October 2017. Have we caught your attention? Then keep on reading for more details!

## PROJECT IN DETAIL

Our project **YOUTH ACTIVATOR: MAKE IT HAPPEN** will bring for 9 days 30 participants from 10 countries (BG, CZ, DK, EE, GR, IT, LT, PL, SK, UK) to Adamov and Brno, CZ. We decided to create a training course which will bring together youth workers and youth leaders who want to be the spark which will light the change and activate the youth in their societies.

The aim of the project is to increase the active citizenship of youth with focus on social participation in the community and volunteering; exercise project management skills to support the boost of community projects and activities in the participants' realities and provide the participants with participatory methods which they can use in order to motivate the youth and engage them with the local community and environment.

## OBJECTIVES OF THE PROJECT

Explore the term of active citizenship and social participation and find out together about methods, actions, events which can boost the participation and active citizenship of the youth and accompany them with practical examples when and where they can be used.

Emphasize volunteering as a way of active participation in the community life as well as a worthy tool for self-development by meeting with volunteers and getting to know their experience as well by setting own way in which the participants can develop themselves and their community via volunteering.

Provide the participants with project management skills. We want them to practice the project logic and project management both theoretically and practically on real examples and issues from their environment.

Meet the representatives running community projects in Brno, find out about the context, aims and processes of their projects and learn from them practical approaches how to communicate with the locals and how to motivate them and engage them to the project.

Analyse problems which the participants and their communities face, explore the resources and create action plan on which the

participants will apply the know-how they achieved from the local activists and they will practice their project management skills.

Test the new skills in practice already in Czech Republic by creating together one day action plan.



## PARTICIPATING ORGANIZATIONS

Asociace DICE – Czech Republic
MTÜ Project Spirit – Estonia
SIEDAS – Slovakia
Youth Support Centre – Poland
Abroadship – United Kingdom
Informal group "Slunce" – Bulgaria
Youth Horizons – Greece
VSI "Jaunimo epicentras" – Lithuania
EUROSUD – Italy
INTER COLLEGE APS – Denmark

## PARTICIPANTS' PROFILE

We are looking for youth workers and youth leaders who want to gain competences related to participatory methods and new ways how to approach youth and motivate them to be active in their community and contribute to the community. We expect them to be willing to share their experience and help each other to see new perspectives and opportunities for their environment and help to find solutions based on practice. All participants must be at least 18 years of age. Participants should be comfortable working in English and be prepared to work in an intercultural team. They should be motivated and able to attend the full length of the project.



# ACCOMMODATION

The training course will be held in the ecological centre Švýcárna which is situated in the heart of protected landscape area called Moravian Karst. Accommodation and meals are fully covered by the programme. The participants will be accommodated in double, triple or quadruple mixed-nationality rooms in order to facilitate the intercultural dialogue among the different nations represented. Mixed-sex rooms will be advised against.

Website of the centre http://svycarna.eu/





#### YOUR JOURNEY

Major airports in the vicinity of Adamov are located in Prague, Brno, Bratislava, Vienna and Budapest. You can easily reach Brno by bus or train from these cities and then take a train to Adamov. Train to Adamov goes from Brno train station approximately every 20 minutes. The actual schedule with further details and instructions will be shared later in the Facebook group of our project. We recommend you check the following websites when searching for tickets.

www.skyscanner.com www.kiwi.com www.ryanair.com www.wizzair.com www.cd.cz/eshop www.jizdenky.regiojet.cz www.eurolines.com www.simpleexpress.eu www.le.cz Travel costs for the training course are covered by the programme up to the amount indicated in the table below. They will be reimbursed to the participants upon the presentation of all the original tickets and receipts, including for the return. Note that all participants must leave and come back to their sending country within a reasonable amount of time from the project's arrival (02/10) and departure (10/10) days in order to be eligible for reimbursement (no more than 2 days earlier for the arrival or 2 days later for the departure).

Czech Republic O €
Bulgaria 275 €
Denmark 275 €
Estonia 275 €
Italy 275 €
Lithuania 275 €
Greece 275 €
Poland 180 €
Slovakia 180 €
United Kingdom 275 €

## USEFUL INFORMATION

The Moravian weather in October is usually changeable with rains, with temperatures ranging from 10 °C to 15 °C. Bring comfortable clothes and waterproof shoes, as we will have an interactive program.

One of the activities foreseen is the Intercultural evening where the national groups will have a chance to present their country and their culture – you are welcome to bring any materials to use during this evening, such as traditional drinks, food, costumes, music etc. Don't forget to get informed and bring some materials about your NGO to be used during the NGO Fair, where each group will have a chance to present the activities and profile of their sending organization. It will be done in Pecha kucha form in order to keep it fast, informative and entertaining.

All participants are required to bring their European insurance card.

### JOIN US!

If you would like to participate in our project, apply with your respective sending organization. Once you have been selected by your sending organization, please fill out our application form, so that we can collect the necessary data, such as email address, emergency contact and information regarding special needs (any disabilities, mobility problems, diets, etc).

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