On the spot – How to stop youth dropout! Training course of youth workers





Hungary, Poland, Greece, France, Lithuania, Italy, Spain, Romania, Czech Republic,

11th – 21st October 2018, Alsótold, Hungary



THE BACKGROUND:

The percentage of high-school drop outs and early school leaving is still high all over in Europe. In 2013 in Hungary those who start secondary school, but finish it without a qualification, was around 11%, and this was similar or even higher in other EU countries. One of the five headline targets of the Europe 2020 strategy is to reduce the share of early school leavers from the current 15 % EU average to 10 %. The definition of early school leavers is the group of young people in the age 18-24 who does not have a secondary school qualification and not attending school either. It means that they will have less opportunity on the labour market because of the lack of qualification, they have less-paid jobs, and as a result less opportunity in life in general. They are endangered by poverty, criminalization, long-term unemployment, and bad socio-economical and health conditions.

AIMS OF THE TRAINING COURSE

Our project has a focus on the prevention of dropout and the empowerment of endangered young people. We have designed a training where youth workers get the methods and tools to tackle the problem of early school leaving with competence development, study visits, and sharing good practices. During the training course they will discover and understand the main motives and problems behind early school leaving, meet and share good practices, and develop new methods together as well. As a result of the training course, they will get a whole package of tools and competences to help successfully those young people who are endangered by dropout.

This toolbox will be available in a form of a booklet to multiply the results of the training course.



PARTICIPANTS' PROFILE

- Professionals, who are active on the field of youth work, they have active connections to young people – we expect the application of youth workers, social workers, mentors, teachers working in youth centres, schools, or social services with at least 2 years experience.
- Having experience with school dropouts is not necessary although, it is important to have future plans how they will use the acquired knowledge in their daily work after the training course.
- Working language of the training is English, so excellent English language skills (at least B1 level) are essential!
- They are motivated to participate in an international project, open to other cultures and new knowledge;
- Willing to share their own experience with others to contribute to the development of the toolbox during the training course
- Interest and commitment to attend the full duration of the training course;
- Participants from: Hungary, Poland, Greece, France, Lithuania, Italy, Spain, Romania, Czech Republic
- We are looking for 3 participants per country

How to APPLY?

Every partner organization will do the pre-selection process.

After the pre-selection, we wait the application forms of participants online until the 21st September, 2018. Online application forms can be found here:

http://tiny.cc/onthespot



FINANCIAL CONDITIONS / TRAVELLING COSTS

Board, lodging and programme costs will be covered by the Erasmus+ programme.

For other expenses, there is a participation fee of **40 euros per participant**, which will be payed at the beginning of the TC.

We have a budget for travel costs. According to the restrictions of the Erasmus+ Programme we can only refund the travel cost, if the following points are fulfilled:

- 1) Your travel route is from your place of residence to the venue in Hungary (Alsótold) and back.
- 2) You have chosen reasonable and economic means of transportation (e.g. cheap airlines, 2nd class trains).
- 3) Your travel dates are according to the programme 11th October, before 7pm arrival and 21th October, after 9.30AM departure.

You can travel between your county and Hungary 2 days prior or after the training course but have to prepare reasonable written explanation as it is asked by NA in order to be reimbursed. Explanation can be for example cheaper travel costs. Also, in this case, lodging and accommodation are not provided by the programme for the extra days, it will be the responsibility of the participants.

- 4) You have all documents to prove your travel (invoices, tickets, boarding passes).
- 5) You have received coordinators approval before purchasing the tickets

If you have booked tickets, please, send us the following details as soon as possible:

- Name of the Traveller (Participant)
- Date and Time of the Arrival and Departure
- Price of the tickets
- Ticket copies with the price visible

All the reimbursements will be done via bank transfer to the partner/participant bank account after receiving all the documents requested. It might take some moths after the



TC in order to arrange all the documents and receive the money for travel costs from Hungarian NA.

The amounts that get over the maximum budget for each participant will NOT be reimbursed. So please book your tickets as soon as possible. Maximum budget for each country per person:

Country	Travel cost limit, that we can reimburse
Poland	180 euro/person
Greece	275 euro/person
France	275 euro/person
Lithuania	275 euro/person
Czech Republic	180 euro/person
Spain	360 euro/person
Italy	275 euro /person
Romania	180 euro/person

IMPORTANT

You must ask for an invoice of each ticket purchase to be reimbursed. Invoice should go to our organization's name. To do so, our invoice information is:

Name of the organization: FIRKA Ifjúsági Egyesület

Adress: 4722 Nyírmeggyes, Ady Endre utca 46.

<u>VAT Number:</u> 18738717-1-15

Please keep in mind that we can not refund expenses if we do not receive the required documentation since we would not be repaid by the NA.



THE VENUE / ACCOMODATION

Our venue is in a small village, Alsótold, in the heart of the beautiful mountain area, Cserhát. Accommodation and meals will be in Toldi VEndégház. (http://toldihaz.hu/)

Rooms have bunk-beds, four people will be placed in one room. Every room has its own bathroom and toilet. There is free wifi-connection too.

It also has a conference room, where the activities of the training course will be.



CURRENCY

The Hungarian currency is Hungarian Forint, and 1 Euro is about 330 Forint.



WHAT TO PREPARE

- •Read the 'info pack' carefully. If you have question (invoices, insurance) don't hesitate to ask!
- •Plan your travel, inform us and wait to be confirmed before booking the tickets
- •Prepare for the intercultural night to present your country. You can make a presentation, fun quiz, show videos, teach folk dance or song, bring food, drink. It's up to you, be creative! ©
- •Be active even before the activity: we will post videos, materials in the facebook group. Please read and watch them carefully, and do all the preparatory activities connected to them.
- •Prepare a short presentation on the situation of youth dropout in your country.

ALSO BRING

- Medicines if you need them;
- Camera, Laptop/tablet;
- Bring with you all original tickets, receipts and boarding passes of your travel, as well as copies of your Identity Cards and Passports;
- Warm and comfy clothes and shoes;
- Insurance documents;
- Your creativity and good mood ©.

COMMUNICATION

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Keep in touch! ☺



