**CALL FOR PARTICIPANTS**

Project “Independent Young Women in Digital Entrepreneurship Era” aims to build capacity of youth (work) organisations, their young women entrepreneurship empowerment centres on local level and their youth workers in competences for digital entrepreneurship and digital entrepreneurial learning through youth work in our communities and on European level.

The project consists of several activities, and one of those is this **training course “New Digital Enterprise Start-ups”.** The training course will be organised in Zadar, Croatia in October/November 2018.

We are hereby recruiting participants that will be able to participate at the training course, give back (to their sending organisations) their knowledge and skills in the topics of the training course and contribute to the follow-up activities within the overall project.

The training course will take place in **Croatia** (Zadar) from **30th October** (arrival in the afternoon)to **7th November** (departure in the morning after the breakfast) **2018**.

# *About the training course “New Digital Enterprise Start-ups”:*

The training course will gather 24 participants from 6 organisations and countries (Bosnia and Herzegovina, Croatia, Serbia, Macedonia, Slovakia and Montenegro).

Specific objectives of the training course are:

* To empower youth workers and build their competences for development of NFE/youth work programmes for digital entrepreneurship start-up among youngsters (young women), beneficiaries in our communities
* To share realities on and experiences with (un)employment situation and NFE and vocational programmes existing for entrepreneurship among youth and of young women in particular in different European countries
* To increase knowledge about the new era entrepreneurship
* To increase knowledge and competences about the IT sector and competences to promote digital entrepreneurship among young people in our countries
* To develop competences to further empower youngsters in our communities for digital entrepreneurship
* To increase participants’ competences for creating (IT/digital) entrepreneur-friendly learning environments in our youth work

Training course is based on the approach, principles and methods of non-formal education. The language of the training course will be **English.**

***The participants should fulfil the following criteria:***

* To be active youth workers or young women interested to become active as peer educators within our organisations
* Willing to apply & multiply the knowledge received
* Willing to take action in the field of empowering young women for digital entrepreneurship
* Willing to enter into partnerships with participants from different organisations/countries
* Able to attend and be active during the entire duration of the training course and to implement local workshop with young women after the participation at the training course
* Age above 18 and able to follow the programme in English language.

**OVERVIEW PROGRAMME:**

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| ***Day 1 – 30th October 2018 – Tuesday*** |
| PM | Arrival of participants |
| evening | Welcome evening |
| ***Day 2 – 31st October 2018 – Wednesday*** |
| AM | Introduction (participants, team, organisations, programme, Youthpass); Participants’ expectations towards the TC and their potential contributions to it; Group agreements |
| PM | Country realities on (un)employment situation and NFE and vocational programmes existing for entrepreneurship among youth and of young women in particular |
| PM | Reflection and Evaluation of the day |
| evening | Intercultural evening |
| ***Day 3 – 1st November 2018 – Thursday*** |
| AM | NFE and youth work raising competences of youngsters (including Youthpass) |
| PM | Entrepreneurial Learning (what? Why? Models?) – a way to enrich youth work |
| PM | Reflection and Evaluation of the day |
| evening | NGO fair |
| ***Day 4 – 2nd November 2018 – Friday*** |
| AM | New era entrepreneurship and what does this mean for educators/youth workers |
| PM | IT sector and Digital entrepreneurship |
| PM | Reflection and Evaluation of the day |
| ***Day 5 – 3rd November 2018 – Saturday*** |
| AM | Digital company – definition, main characteristics and successful case studies |
| PM | FREE AFTERNOON |
| ***Day 6 – 4th November 2018 – Sunday*** |
| AM | How to start a digital company (lean start-up method and digital strategy) |
| PM | Digital workplace – benefits and risks |
| PM | Reflection and Evaluation of the day |
| ***Day 7 – 5th November 2018 – Monday*** |
| AM | Who is a digital entrepreneur? (defining competences SKA that individual must have to be a digital entrepreneur) |
| PM | How youth work can help building relevant (soft) skills for dealing with digital workplace and entrepreneurship benefits and risks |
| PM | Reflection and Evaluation of the day |
| ***Day 8 – 6th November 2018 – Tuesday*** |
| AM | Towards sustainable entrepreneurship education in our youth work programmes – initiating ideas for quality youth work entrepreneurial learning (EL) for digital entrepreneurship promotion among our youngsters in communities |
| PM | Evaluation of the training course, incl Youthpass |
| evening | "See you again" party |
| ***Day 9 – 7th November 2018 – Wednesday*** |
| AM | Departure of participants |

***Travel and visa costs reimbursement***

Travel costs will be reimbursed only for the cheapest way of transport and preferably for the return tickets. Travel expenses are covered by the organizers 100% up to the maximum of unit cost per distance calculator and means of travel, including bank transfer and other appropriate fees (for all the original tickets and ways of travel that are plane, bus, train or ferry, NOT taxi and NOT car). For distances less than 500 km one way, the preferable means of transport are land transportations, such as train and/or bus. If other mean of transport is selected for such travels, e.g. airplane, those will be reimbursed 60% of airfare, in accordance with the principle of environmental awareness and protection.

Participants must keep all travel documents (tickets, travel agency invoices and boarding passes) as organizers are able to make any reimbursement only on the bases of presented documents!

The travel reimbursement will be done by bank transfers **after** you return home and send us the **ORIGINAL** boarding passes and tickets (and after you submit/send us the filled in evaluation forms of the training course). When you are buying a ticket, ask for additional bill as well, if possible!

Please don’t buy your tickets before we approve them! When you will plan your trip and **BEFORE** buying your tickets, especially if your planned travel itineraries are different than **30th October – 7th November 2018**, please inform us in advance, so we can approve your tickets and travel costs. Also, if you travel from elsewhere than the town and country of the sending organisation partner in this project, please, inform us, as we need to approve it as well. Thanks a lot, in advance!

We expect participants to arrive to the hostel in Zadar no later than 19:00 hrs on 30th October 2018, so please do plan your flights accordingly.

For additional information, please be free to contact organizers. Like that we will avoid some uncomfortable situations in advance.

***Participation fee:*  NONE!** All accommodation and food costs in the hostel are covered by the organisers.

# *Applications*

**To apply, please fill in the application form on following link:** [**https://goo.gl/forms/1QY3pB0K0dGbQ02C2**](https://goo.gl/forms/1QY3pB0K0dGbQ02C2)

**Please note that the deadline for applications is 26th September 2018.**

Selected participants will receive the detailed information sheet till 30th September 2018.

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