

Storytelling for Global Change

Erasmus+ training course



Participant's Infopack

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ecological center **Slunakov near Olomouc** (https://slunakov.cz), Czech Republic

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Summary

"Storytelling for Global Change" is a training course (Erasmus+ Mobility of Youth Workers) that combines stories, media, global education and active citizenship to empower trainers, educators, youth workers and gives them effective tools to do their work in these fast changing times.

The programme will include different activities, theory and practice of **different forms of storytelling** plus reflection, discussions, **open workshops** to encourage critical thinking and personal contributions.

Some of the **competences that will be developed** during the course will be: storytelling; effective communication; awareness about the relations between ecology, economics, technology, media & democracy; media content creation and critical use; active citizenship; better understanding of global issues around education and democracy.



What are the objectives?

- to inform and reflect on current trends in **MEDIA** (including fake news and toxic narratives) and and on how to be critical users and creators of content;
- to explore the use of **STORYTELLING** in youth work, education, and for creating positive media image of diversity groups, contrasting spreading of violence and hate speech;
- to introduce current concepts of **GLOBAL EDUCATION**, learn more about poverty, inequalities and climate change;
- to establish **PARTNERSHIPS** between organisations working with diversity, storytelling, global education and exchange good practices.

Who is in the trainer team?

Bára Rodi, Czech Republic: (trainers.salto-youth.net/BaraRodi) is a free-lance trainer and facilitator currently living in Prague. She has a huge passion for non-formal education, and is working both in the field of youth work and for companies. Since 2007 active in the trainer pool of the Czech national agency, in 2010 took part in the SALTO Training of trainers. In the last few years working with different topics including storytelling, communication skills, personal development, outdoor education, intercultural learning, project management, graphic facilitation and quality in youth work.

Carmine Rodi Falanga, Italy/CZ: (trainers.salto-youth.net/CarmineRodi) background as a journalist, blogger, he has been involved in local and European youth work since 2002. Since 2011 he is fully established as a freelance trainer. He develops tools and resources for education and personal development using storytelling and games, and he likes to explore unlikely connections: from classic Greek myths to modern superheroes; from the European fairy tales to Hollywood movies. His latest project is to take the stand-up comedy scene in Prague by storm, for which he joined the collective "Desperate Comedians".

Gareth Conlon, Ireland: Gareth studied an undergraduate of Community Sports Leadership and MA in International Development. Gareth has worked in Palestine, Tanzania, Nicaragua, Uganda, Liberia. As well as across Europe. He has worked in several Global education organisations including Development Perspectives and ECO UNESCO. He loves being in nature and has a passion for Permaculture, sustainability as food growing. He has two pet Alpacas call Al and Paci and he also likes to meditate.

Lucie Příšovská, Czech Republic: Lucie is, together with Bára and Carmine, a founding member of the Vice Versa organisation. She is an experienced trainer with passion for theatre, use of voice and teaching methodology. She will be present at the training as a support person, and will introduce the Theatre of the Oppressed methodology.



When to arrive?

- Saturday **2nd February arrival day**, 1st day of the program, the program starts at 17.00, feel free to arrive anytime on Saturday
- Saturday **9th February departure day**, there is no program in the morning, breakfast will be provided

If you commit to the participation, you are required to stay for the whole duration of the course. You also commit to take part in the preparation phase before the course and dissemination phase after the course.

The Venue - Environmental Center Slunakov



The accommodation will be in shared rooms – there are mostly double rooms and 2 dormitory-type rooms. Shower and toilets are shared (some of the rooms have their separate shower + toilet), towels and linen will be provided. There is Wi-Fi Internet in the center, but since we are in the countryside, we cannot ensure it will be working 100% all the time, so please try not to plan important things through email or conference call for that week.

HOW TO GET THERE?

When booking your travel, try to choose the most **environmentally friendly** form of transport e.g. bus or train. Try to avoid short haul (< 600 km) flights, and if you must fly, choose airlines with higher occupancy rates and more efficient aircraft.

Participants can travel by train or bus either directly to Olomouc, and or travel/fly to Prague, Vienna or Bratislava - which have all excellent connections to Olomouc. The venue is easily reached by public transport from Olomouc (approx. 30min from Olomouc city center).

It takes approximately 3 hours to get to the venue from Prague train/bus station + another approx. 45 min for the trip airport - train station. From Vienna and Bratislava it is approximately 4 hours. We would like to kindly ask you to arrange your arrival in the early afternoon - the program starts at 17.



Special needs, safety, insurance

In case you have any food allergies/medical conditions that could influence your participation etc., please let us know soon, so that we can arrange accordingly and be ready to support you.

Participants are required to obtain a full **insurance** for the duration of the training course, to cover risks due to such things as loss of baggage, theft, injury or health problems. It may also be useful to obtain a European Health Insurance card. Please find more information about it here:

https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/European Health Insurance Card

Participation fee and travel costs

The training course is **funded by the Erasmus+** that will cover the costs of accommodation and food. Your **travel costs** will be reimbursed up to the following amount per person:

Czech Republic, Poland, Hungary: 180 €

Italy, Ireland, Greece, Spain and UK: 275 € Portugal: 360 €

The reimbursement will be done via bank transfer shortly after the training course.

As <u>participation fee</u>, each participant will be asked to contribute according to their possibilities between **50 and 120 EUR on a sliding scale**. Should this be the only obstacle for you to participate in this training course, please contact us.

If you have any questions write to info@viceversa.cz or call **Bára** at **+420 777 619 737**.

WE LOOK FORWARD TO SEEING YOU SOON ON THE TRAINING COURSE!

