

Online Training: Introduction to Virtual Exchange for youth work in Nordic countries	
Description	 The aim of the Training is to introduce youth workers to the practice of virtual exchange through an experiential learning approach. The trainers build on the knowledge and experience of the participants themselves and facilitate the process of sharing knowledge and experience in a transnational virtual exchange context. At the end of the course participants will: understand the basic tenets of virtual exchange be able to distinguish between different models of virtual exchange be able to analyse the opportunities and challenges of models of virtual exchange for youth work be able to identify the different possible components of a virtual exchange for youth gain experience in online collaboration and facilitated dialogue through a range of synchronous and asynchronous communication activities and tools be able to collaboratively design a proposal for a virtual exchange for youth
Dates	8- 29 June 2020
Duration	10 hours asynchronous work over a period of 2 weeks 2 weekly synchronous sessions lasting 1.5-2 hours each. 2 modules will be covered every week
Structure	 4 modules, each including both asynchronous and synchronous activities. Asynchronous work will be carried out on the platform Moodle. Synchronous sessions will be held on the platform Zoom. MODULE 1 - Introductions to group and aims of youth organisation, what is VE and its core values, why is VE relevant to youth work; Different models of virtual exchange. Synchronous session 1 - Online facilitated session - getting to know each other, experiencing facilitated dialogue MODULE 2 - The components of a virtual exchange (theme, content, interactions, activities/project/product); Exploring multiple modes of

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	communication in virtual exchange: (theatre, music, visual arts, minecraft, wikipedia) Synchronous session 2 - Discussion on advantages and disadvantages of the different models of VE
	 MODULE 3 - What are the learning objectives of our virtual exchange; how could we reach these objectives; Identifying and sharing existing resources for virtual exchange (interculturality, digital literacies, specific themes related to interests of youth organizations) Synchronous session 3: discussion of objectives and feedback
	MODULE 4 - Developing an initial plan/outline for our virtual exchange; Exploring and evaluating technologies for the exchange Synchronous session 4 - discussion of project ideas
Suggested times for synchronous sessions	Synchronous sessions will be held twice a week at the following dates and times. It is important that participants attend these sessions.
	Tuesday 9 June: 9-11 (GMT)
	Friday 12 June 14-16 (GMT)
	Tuesday 16 June: 9-11 (GMT)
	Tuesday 23 June 14-16 (GMT)
Target audience	National agencies and youth workers in Nordic Countries
Recognition	Open badges of participation will be issued by UNICollaboration to all participants who have successfully completed the training.