

## Infopack

A NON-FORMAL LEARNING SEMINAR AND PARTNERSHIP-BUILDING ACTIVITY FOR 27 EDUCATORS AND YOUTH WORKERS



#### 16th - 23rd of October Including travel days Tuchola, Poland



# MAIN IDEA

#### WHY?

Although promoting solidarity among our communities in Europe and among young people is one of the priorities of Erasmus+ and European Solidarity Corps, we have observed that it is not so easy to explain this concept and give concrete examples of it. In different contexts it is understood and practiced differently.

Especially lately, when we all experience so much distress (related to COVID, the war in Ukraine, growing prices, etc.), it is highly crucial to explore crucial values that keep the society together and should be promoted more in education and youth work.

#### AIM

To provide the space for 27 youth workers and educators from 9 countries to share experiences and explore more the concept of SOLIDARITY as well as develop concrete youth project ideas that develop this value in our communities.



We can not support the young people if we are not sure about our values and we do not pay enough attention to them in our work!



## CONTENTS

- Meaning and our understanding of concept of solidarity
- Real-life examples of solidarity (or lack of solidarity) in our communities
- What is the role of young people and youth work in promoting solidarity?
- Non-formal learning tools
- Partnership-building
- Developing youth project ideas within Erasmus+/European Solidarity Corps
  programmes
- Promote solidarity among youth through non-formal learning activities
   (Ocrober, November 2022)







Arrival day in Tuchola: Sunday, 16th of October, 2022

Departure day from Tuchola: Saturday, 23rd of October 2022





\* You can arrive in Poland 1-2 days



#### 7 DAYS of RETREAT?!



With its' intensive programme for sure this seminar will not be holidays. Nevertheless, we can imagine (basing on our own feelings and how we want it to be) that this project can be a very valuable "investment" in order to change environment, meet colleagues, gain new ideas and re-charge your batteries...

#### TIMELINE

Be ready that when you decide to apply for participation in this project, you are ready to devote also some time for preparations for the seminar as well as doing follow-up activities.

### Preparations

- Researching the theme a bit - Researching what project opportunities are out there - Consultations with young people (what project ideas they could be interested in) - Presenting yourself to others ONLINE





- Planning follow-up activities with youth - Developing project ideas that could be submitted and implemented in 2023

## **Follow-up**



- Sharing experiences from seminar with the colleagues
- Implementing some non-formal learning workshops with youth
- Continuing work on the project ideas



## WHO?



#### PARTICIPANTS

- Teachers, social workers, youth workers, peer-leaders, youth organization/club activists, scout leaders, educators, etc.
- Working with young people (13-30 years old; not children) in schools and/or in non-formal education system (as volunteers or paid workers) on regular basis
- Interested in discussing VALUES and exploring the theme of SOLIDARITY
- Ready to organize at least 1 follow-up activity non-formal learning activity with young people using the experience from this seminar (individually or together with another person from the same country)
- Ready to prepare **1 post/article** for publicity to share results from the seminar (personal, organizational or school social media or site)
- Motivated to continue developing some projects with youth / other partner organizations that could be submitted to their National Agency in February 2023
- Aged 18+
- Good communication skills in English



#### COUNTRIES



Participating countries - number of participants.







#### **TRAVEL AND REIMBURSEMENT**

This project is implemented in the framework of EU "ERASMUS+" Programme (mobility of youth workers, key action 1). The accommodation and food will be covered fully. Travel expenses will be reimbursed at flat rates.

Every participant or partner organisation should buy tickets and according to the real ticket price we will reimburse travel costs, but not more than you can see on the **travel budget limits**. If you can fit it within this limit, it is also good to have flight insurance.





While searching for flights to Poland we do recommend to find a connection to **POZNAŃ** or **GDAŃSK** (if available) or **WARSAW**.

When you look for flight tickets, we recommend you to check the options in search engines - www.kiwi.com or www.skyscanner.com, but to buy them directly from airlines. Please, pay special attention to ARRIVAL date and time – it should not be later than October 16th and DEPARTURE date and time – it should not be earlier than October 23rd.

Please bear in mind that we only provide accommodation and meals from October 16th to October 23rd.

As usually, we need all your travel documents (invoices, tickets, etc.).

We will support you in travelling to and from the training location. We will purchase for you (and send by email) train tickets from your arrival city to BYDGOSZCZ and from Bydgoszcz we will organise a bus to take you to the training venue - **Tuchola**.

#### **LOCATION AND ACCOMODATION**

Tuchola is a small town in northern Poland, situated around 350 km from the capital of Poland - Warsaw. It is located within the ethnocultural region of Kaszuby. Surrounded by forests, it is a great place not only to rest but also work together!

We are going to stay in Zakład Aktywności Zawodowej (Institution of Vocational Activity). It's a special place which aim is to create working possibilities for people with different kinds of disabilities. They run a hostel/guest house where we will have all activities as well as accomodation and meals.











http://www.zaztuchola.pl Click HERE to check training venue



#### **COVID SAFETY**



#### **Entrance rules into Poland**

At the moment (beginning of July 2022) it seems that all COVID restrictions are banned in Poland. Nevertheless, to be sure, before the travel we will update you on the situation.

#### INSURANCE





• EEA residents must bring their **European Health Insurance Card** too (otherwise most travel insurances don't cover them). <u>Get it for free from</u> you national authorities.

#### PREPARATIONS

We will prepare a more detailed list of what you and how to prepare few weeks before the seminar, nevertheless, as the weather can start being a bit chill in Poland and we might occasionally go also outdoors, be ready to have comfortable, rain-proof and warm enough clothes (layers).







TEAM

#### **ANTONIO BENACHES BODI**



Antonio is from Spain, Valencia. His profile as trainer is a mix of SCOUTING (his starting in youth participation and volunteering), ICT (his educational background in the field of Computer Sciences) and a bit of FREAKNESS (all-kind-games, juggling, outdoors, inclusion work...). Life-long learner, always trying to improve and discover new things.

https://www.salto-youth.net/tools/toy/antonio-benaches-bod.2424/

#### IEVA GRUNDŠTEINE

leva has been working in the youth field since 2001 as a local and European project initiator and manager and for last 13 years is an active trainer of non-formal learning in the field of youth. She has carried already more than 150 trainings for different target groups (youth workers, teachers and others). Last 7 years leva has also been involved in exploring Outdoor Experiential learning opportunities for youth work. She is also a member of pool of trainers of Latvian NA: <u>https://www.salto-youth.net/tools/toy/ievagrundsteine.1858/</u>



#### **DANIEL WARGIN**



Project coordinator (Poland), a member of the applying organisation: Stowarzysznie "Dorośli – Dzieciom" ("Adults for Children" Association) from Sępólno Krajeńskie, Poland. Actively involved in youth work since 2005. Coordinator of Voluntary Service projects, Youth Exchanges and training courses.

Ask him any questions

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# Looking forward to SEE YOU IN POLAND!



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Changes are surely still possible - this is just to give you a general insight.

Time / day	Day 1	Day 2	Day 3	Day 4	Day 5	Day 6	Day 7	Day 8		
8 - 9.30	OWN time (morning yoga, meditation) and breakfast									
9.30 - 11.30	antinar/contact-making event location	Intro Getting-to-know each other and Ice-breaking Introduction to programme, approach, objectives	Inequalities - experiential learning	Introduction to opportunities of EU programmes for youth (Erasmus+ /ESC (or the other names, which will be clear at that point)	Partnership-building, "crash course on crucial elements" in projects and starting to work on project ideas	Project development - in partnerships	9:30 deadline for submitting the projects Peer-assesment and giving feedback to projects	Farewell and		
11.30 - 12.00		Coffe	e break		Coffee break			departure		
12.00 - 13.30		Teaser on why the Solidarity Exploring participants experience and motivation	What theSolidarily: Sharing understanding about it and expchanging experiences with it in youth work	Quality criteria in projects (or How Could Solidarity Go Wrong in Our Projects?!)	Project development - in partnerships	Project development - in partnerships	Agreeing on Action plan- further steps Evaluating the working process and cooperation in project partnerships			
13.30-15.30	Artivals to s	Lunch								
15.30-17.00	Arthe	Group building activities - partnership and solidarity	Solidarity as a European Value Exploring EU Youth Goals	Meeting in national groups - Connecting the contents of seminar to local context and (re-)defining expectations from project-development phase	Project development - in partnerships	Project development - in partnerships	Formalities related to project application, further networking and follow-up Youthpass and learning outcomes			
17.00 - 17.30		Coffee	e break	Coffee break				1		
17.30 - 19.00	Getting to know each other	Group building activities - partnership and solidarity	Exploring EU Youth Goals and connecting it with needs and challenges of young people that we work with	Free time in local community	Project development - in partnerships	Project development - in partnerships	Summing up, evaluation and closing			
19.00-19.30		Reflection	n in groups		Reflection in groups					
20.00		Dinner								
After 21.00	Welcome Dinner	Integration evening	Movie evening - what about (S)solidarity in Poland?!	Free time	Self-organized evening	Karaoke evening	Farewell dinner and evening			

# APPLYING



Deadline: Tuesday, 14th of August 2022

Application form <u>online</u>: <u>https://forms.gle/4q9cEXyPWWAmhDwt8</u>