





Modica, 14-24 November 2022

## About the project

WE Radio 2.0 is a mobility of youth workers about using low-budget web radio to increase youth participation. It is financed by the <u>Erasmus+</u> programme.

The project will take place in Modica, Italy and will last 9 days +2 travel days, from November 14th (arrival day in the evening) to November 25th (departure day in the morning).

WE Radio involves 35 youth workers from Italy, Romania, Czech Republic, Slovakia, Bulgaria, Portugal and Greece. The project will foresee the presence of at least the 50% of people with fewer opportunities.

During the project, we will learn how to create a participatory broadcast that encourages youth involvement, discovers new forms of participation and promotes youth entrepreneurship in a form of web radio.

As a result, organisations and youth workers will be able to help young people establish their own web radio which they will run without the mediation of adults.

The radio will be entirely created by young people who will decide on topics, formats, editorial lines and contents.

With this, they will be able to involve other young people (often socially excluded) and create a critical mass that will influence their community.

## Project objectives

WE Radio 2.0 aims to empower young people, increase their social engagement, contribute to life-long learning and self-establishment of young people, involving young people and youth workers with fewer opportunities.

#### **Project aims:**

- increase the quality of youth work by presenting a new, more participatory approach
- encourage organisations to set up their participatory web radio
- improve outside communication of partner organisations
- increase the aggregation, group participation and expression of young people based on their shared interests
- contribute to the sense of entrepreneurship and creativity of young people
- support youth to influence their community, helping them become protagonists of change
- Open the world of youth working to people who may experience social exclusion, providing them a way to matter into society

Methods we will use are creative and practical workshops, broadcast simulations, discussions and other non-formal education methods.

## Context

Young people across Europe have a high potential, but often lack skills, tools, opportunities to express themselves, and sometimes the proper support.

They are underrepresented in media and democratic life. Moreover, youth workers and young people with fewer opportunities are even more underrepresented and marginalized

Internet and social media provide only a partial solution to those issues because of low digital literacy.

WE Radio 2.0 gives an opportunity to youth workers and young people to learn how to make better use of media's potential, especially the innovative means of web radio.

WR 2.0 aims to increase young people's skills and capacities to participate in democratic processes using the participatory web radio broadcast and low-budget web radio.



#### In details this project:

- Innovate the educational path for young people who live in contact witj our organisation: changing the world of communication and with Internet, it is necessary to adapt to new forms of cultural expression, new challenges, new opportunities for young people
- to increase their professional skills;
- innovate the forms of aggregation, more "liquid" and increasingly influenced by the social media, reaching efficiently young people;
- Supporting young people in their ability to influence the society in which they live, making them protagonists of change through
- Radio language and its ability to aggregate their peers on the basis of common interests;
- Support entrepreneurship and creativity of young people through web-radio, providing them with methodologies that allow them to
- create horizontal and democratic Radio Programmes, with practical technical knowledge necessary to establish their own web radio, support it through their abilities and projects;
- Increase the inclusion of fewer opportunities people, removing economic obstacles, creating a common ground independently of personal, ethnic, social and political conditions.

- Search new languages that enable organizations involved to be more attractive and visible to our communities.
- Encourage Creative Commons culture and radio productions, promoting creativity and sharing of intellectual outputs such asprograms, jingles, sketches;
- Create a stable network of organisations and professionals, with collaborative relationships;
- the definition of guideline that allowed organizations' radio to not be influenced by economic or political forces;
- Enhance the self-esteem of young people and their capacity to influence the society;
- improving their ability to speak in public and best represent their organization;
- Using web radio methods in other projects such as Youth Exchange and European Solidarity Corps.
- Help organisation to provide to young people, a virtual space to create new forms of cultural entertainment and social criticism, in order to promote their vision on the world and effectively impact public opinion.



Participation, Involvement, Freedom, Democracy Youth

## Participant Profile

Each partner organisation will involve 4 people aged 18+.

It is really important to respect gender balance as much as possible. We warmly welcome people with fewer opportunities! that's why this project foresee at least the 50% of Fewer opportunities participants (Economic obstacles, Disability, Migrant background obstacle).

#### This project is for you if you are:

- over 18 years old
- a youth worker active in the partner organisation
- interested in the topic of media, especially radio
- dedicated to implementing web radio during the mobility and after in your local community
- willing to apply new competences in your daily youth work
- willing to participate in dissemination and visibility activities after the mobility



## About the city



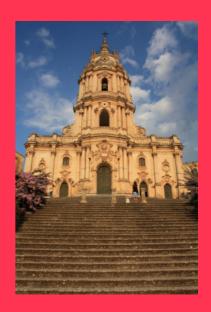




Modica is situated in the South-East of Sicily. This town is well-named because of her Baroque Churches and Buildings and for her traditions. Modica and all The Valley of Noto is World Heritage Site for UNESCO since 2002.

As the city developed it gradually became divided into "Modica Alta" (Upper Modica) and "Modica Bassa" (Lower Modica). During the last century the city has extended and developed new suburbs which include Sacro Cuore (or "Sorda"), Monserrato, Idria, these are often referred to as Modern Modica; both old and modern quartersof the city are today joined by one of Europe's higher bridge, the Guerrieri bridge (300 m).





Despite being ravaged by earthquakes in 1613 and 1693 and floods in 1833 and 1902, Modica has maintained some of the most beautiful architecture in Sicily, in the Sicilian Baroque style.

The city possesses a large Baroque Cathedral dedicated to San Giorgio. While the cathedral was rebuilt following the earthquake of 1693, like many other parts of the city its roots are in the Middle Ages. There is another church dedicated to San Pietro in Modica Bassa, featuring a principal façade crowned by a typical Sicilian Baroque bell-tower 49 m in height.

#### Other sights include:

- Castello dei Conti (Castle)
- Chiesa del Carmine
- Church of St. Mary of Betlehem
- Garibaldi Theater
- Mercedari Palace

# Food, accomodation and meeting room

Associazione Attiva-Mente will host you at <u>Ferro Hotel</u>, under Bed & Brekfast conditions. The hotel is really closed to the Railway Station of Modica and it's not far away from the Bus Station, where our staff will pick you to the hotel.

A restaurant deliver two meals per day and we provide two coffee breaks to the meeting room. Please, when you will fill up the application form, write down your special needs (allergies, medical treatments,vegetarian, vegan ecc.). A persons is responsible for your needs and will constantly communicate with the Hotel and the Restaurant. Anyway, both of them, are really experienced with Gluten Allergy, Lactose Allergy and all the issues within.

The meeting room will be at National Archive, in the city center (close to the restaurant and 20 minutes walking from the accomodation). In case you have some problem of mobility, communicate it to your organisation. We created a Form to be spread between the partners of this project, in order to reach your need and providing you the due attention.

Erasmus+

Accommodation and Food are covered by Erasmus+ totally. This project is free of charge on participants. No participation fee required.

## How to get Modica?

Modica is situated in the deepest south-east of Sicily in the valley of Noto. Closest airports are Comiso-Magliocco (38 km far) and Catania Fontanarossa (120 km far).

- 1. Catania Airport is better connected with Modica by AST bus company. Bus stop is outside of the airport, is on the right of the arrivals. For purchase the ticket, go straight to SAIS Autolinee desk, placed just outside the terminal. The ticket costs 9 euro and it's now possible to pay with card (even though is better to have some cash.
- 2. It's possible to land in Palermo, but you're far from Modica almost 350 km! By the way, there's connection from Palermo to Modica with AST bus company and by Train. In both of case, you will arrive in Modica in 4 hours and half. From the airport, you have to pick the bus to Central Railway Station (Piazza Giulio Cesare) n. From there, you can directly travel to Modica by bus or Train. Bus leave in the internal court of the Railway Station.
- 3. There are also rides from Comiso Airport to Modica with bus, but connections are worst, so it's better to communicate us your itinerary before booking flights.

BUS: http://www.aziendasicilianatrasporti.it:8080/default.aspx

TRAIN: http://www.trenitalia.com/tcom-en

SHUTTLE BUS FROM PALERMO AIRPORT





There's a thing in which we have a limited possibility to intervene: local and regional transport system. Travel without a car in Sicily couldn't be the easiest and relaxed experience, therefore we ask you to not be "adventurous" or search on your own combinations of means of transportation

We strongly recommend to communicate us your itinerary in case you want to land in Palermo or Comiso, let us knowing if you find some solution through bus and train. We are aware about the distances and troubles you may have with our Public Transportation System. For this reason, DO NOT BUY TICKETS BEFORE HAVE CONTACTED US. IT'S IMPORTANT FOR US TO ORGANIZE YOUR JOURNEY IN THE BEST WAY POSSIBLE.

Last, but not least.. The last bus to Modica is at 20:45. In case you won't make it, we will pick you up with a shuttle bus. The same will happen in case you cannot make in time to the airport at the end of the project

### Travel reimbursement: how?

According to the Erasmus + Rules here the travel costs rembursable for each participant. NB: we will reimburse **JUST economic class flights, bus tickets, train tickets in economy class. TAXI FEES AREN'T REIMBURSABLE.** 

Romanian Group: 275€ each participant BulgarianGroup 275€ each participant Czech Group: 275€ each participant Greek group: 275€ each participant

Romanian group: 275€ each participant Slovak Group: 275€ each participant

Portuguese Group: 360€ each participant

## **Documents to deliver for the procedure of Travel costs reimbursements:**

- Invoice of flights
- Boarding Passes (in case of loss, Flight Certificate)
- Train tickets in economic class (seconda classe in Italian)
- Bus tickets

In order to speed up the procedures of reimbursement, we will communicate to your organisation a link on Google Drive in which each group could drop all the electronic documents. We really suggest to have all the documents generated in PDF (NO SCAN) otherwise, paper documents would be sent by registered mail from organisations/participants with more costs.

VERY IMPORTANT: Scans of original paper documents and screenshot from the APP of the flight companies or train companies aren't suitable for access the reimbursement.

#### What to do then?

Nowadays, it's very easy and comfortable to use APP. This make our life easier and nonetheless, reduce the impact on environment by avoiding to produce wastes by printing on paper. Then, how to use your APP without losing your reimbursement?

Let's make an example with the Ryanair APP. You can check in by laptop or by using the app, so you can have it on your phone ready to show at the airport. But do not forget to download it from a PC in PDF and send to us! We cannot accept a snapshot as reimbursement documents.













During the project, will check your costs and in the brief time possible will send your travel/visa costs to your organisations that will send back to your Bank Account. After calculating together the amount for each participants, Attiva-Mente will address to Organisations an Excel Sheet in which Ngo's will update Bank Account informations.

According with Italian National Agency's rules, we cannot reimburse the amount of two or more participants to an individual Bank Account but just in Organisation's Bank Account.

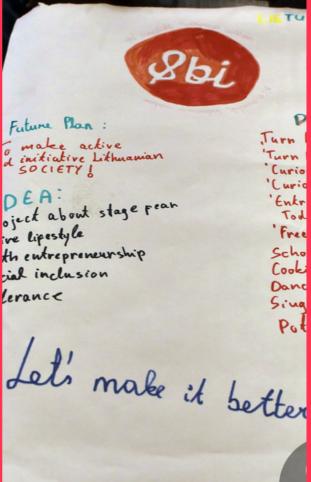
## Your contribution

To make your stay as productive and comfortable as possible, we will take care of you and assist you in any kind of situation. You can count on us!

#### But what are we expecting from you?

- to bring positive energy and motivation
- to create a good environment in which we can share our experiences and learn from each other
- to participate actively in all activities
- · to respect yourself, others and the venue
- to ask for support when you need it and offer it to others





## Partner organisations



Associazione Attiva-Mente



Evropské centrum mládeže Břeclav



Youthfully Yours SK



Asociatia Bradul, Muntele si Neagra



Collippo - Associação Juvenil



Youthfully Yours Greece



Open Space Foundation

## **COVID-19** measures

At the moment of writing, in order to enter Italy, you don't need to have a valid **EU Digital COVID certificate** or proof of vaccination, proof of recovery or a negative antigen or PCR test. For the latest measures, always check <a href="https://reopen.europa.eu/">https://reopen.europa.eu/</a>. The situation seems to be stable, but as everybody know, it could change. Our organisation, however, we will keep you posted about issues connected with the pandemic.

If you anyway need a test, please make sure to contact us before your departure to arrange the reimbursement.

#### Additionally, we will implement the following measures:

- two participants staying in a room
- remind of caution in social distancing
- hand sanitisers available
- other measures if prescribed by local law.

We are kindly asking you to respect the measures and to take care of yourself and others!



click on the picture to listen to a cool song;)

## What should I bring with me?



#### For the activities:

- -Your good mood: there will be listeners to entertain, team to be formed, horizons to explore. Happiness is a state of mind:)
- All you want to let the other taste/drink for the Intercultural evening, all funny movies/presentations you want to show!
- Laptop/tablet/mobile/phone/photo camera.



Modica, 1st of January 2015

- In November, will be windy, chilly and rainy weather and above all, really random. So, be aware about that: it could be tdeep winter. We're in Sicily, of course. But despite of all tales, it could fall snow in winter and we are far from the seaside 40 kilometres. In the imaginary we are like Bahamas, in the reality not! :D
- An e-mail address that will need for creating your web radio. That will be accessible to the participants. We need it for activate your profile on Caster.fm.

## How to apply?

To apply for this project, please contact the partner organisation from your country.

Contact them also if you have any questions.

You can also contact the hosting organisation - <u>Associazione Attiva-Mente</u> - directly at weradio2.0project@gmail.com

We hope to see you soon in Modica! Stay safe!





# How to get the FerroHotel?

#### **WHERE**

For the ones that will arrive in Modica by bus, stop at the last stop in front of Don Cafè. From Bus Stop to the hotel, there are around 25 minutes by walking. Good way for the first sight to our Modica! The walking itinerary is <a href="here">here</a>. In case you need assistance, do not hesitate. We are going to pick you up.

For the ones that will arrive in Modica by train, just come out of the station: in front of you there will be indication to the Hotel, far 2 minutes from there.

#### **WHEN**

, it's important to arrive on Monday 14th, preferably no later than 20:00,

Of course, if you couldn't be on time for justified motivations like delays, lack of connections (we are aware about it) and so on, please let us know at weradio2.0project@gmail.coml.com and specify in the Google Form we will send to your organisation.

# if I want to visit other place....

You are allowed to visit any place in Sicily, **ONE DAY BEFORE (November 13th) or AFTER THE PROJECT (November 25th),** without losing your reimbursement. Here is the most reachable places from Modica.



#### Scicli

Scicli is a baroque city far away 15 km From Modica. It's famous, as well as Modica, for the TV series "Inspector Montalbano"

#### Ragusa

Ragusa is the capital of the Province.It has a well conserved city centre and a pitoresque quarter called Ibla. 10 km from Modica





#### Siracusa

The most Greek city in Italy,.
Famous for the Greek Theatre
and the Island of Ortigia. Here,
born Archimedes that used
Burning Mirrors against
Romans. 40 km far from
Modica

#### Catania

The second Sicilian City, it's a great melting pot of Folklore, Tradition, Baroque and Open Market. It's the city with the mayor airport in the Island. Far 110 Km from Modica



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