

# Community Peace Workers – Training for multipliers in conflict transformation



## Context & Objectives

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In a time, where the political scene of many European Countries is characterized by an increasing polarization, the capacity to deal with conflicts in a reflected and constructive manner are of crucial importance for the future of democratic societies. Socio-political conflicts, which are at the core of many debates, often find their manifestations also on the local level, may it be the argument about a new refugee facility in the neighbourhood or tensions between different ethnic groups living in the same area. It is also in this environment, where young people regardless of their background, can make their first steps of getting involved in conflict transformation efforts.

Equipped with the necessary competences, youth houses and other youth institutions can become a place to incubate new ideas and accompany the young people in developing and implementing peace initiatives. Since the inception of Peace and Conflict Studies as an academic discipline in the 1960s a large amount of knowledge and relevant models have been developed with a focus on their practical applicability in various conflict setting. Transmitting the most relevant of them to youth workers on the ground to improve the conflict transformation competences of their target groups is the declared aim of this proposed training course.

Its specific objectives are:

- To deepen the understanding of concepts related to conflict transformation among youth workers and youth leaders
- To equip youth workers and youth leaders with a modular set of tools, which can be used to raise the conflict transformation competences of their target groups and accompany them in developing their own peace initiatives
- To provide a space for the transfer of the acquired knowledge and competences to the local youth work reality of the participants
- To develop follow-up projects on local and international level in the field of conflict transformation

## Lead Trainer

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**Oliver Wiechmann** is working as an international consultant and project manager in the field of conflict transformation and dialogue facilitation

Apart from coordinating projects in community-based conflict transformation in various world regions (e.g. Philippines, Kyrgyzstan, Palestine) he regularly holds trainings in this field for international NGOs and governmental institutions.

# OPEN CALL FOR PARTICIPANTS

## Facts & Figures

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<b>Dates</b>	25.02.-05.03.2022
<b>Place</b>	Baitz, Germany
<b>No of Pax.</b>	26
<b>Course Fee</b>	Regular: 75,00 € Reduced <sup>1</sup> : 50,00 €

The fee covers full board&lodging for 8 nights and all seminar costs.

## Venue

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The venue of the training course is the village of Baitz, which is situated ca. 1 hour by train from Berlin central station. We will have a 3-storey, 900 sqm former farmhouse all for ourselves, the [website](#) of the place is unfortunately only available in German. Participants will be accommodated in two-or three-bed rooms of the same gender.

## Arrival and Departure

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You can arrive anytime on 25<sup>th</sup> February in Baitz. You can leave anytime on 05<sup>th</sup> March.

You will receive more detailed information concerning the travel planning after confirmation of your participation

## Travel expenses

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To find out the maximum amount for travel reimbursement, please go to the following website and calculate the distance between your city and Baitz:

[https://ec.europa.eu/programmes/erasmus-plus/resources/distance-calculator\\_en](https://ec.europa.eu/programmes/erasmus-plus/resources/distance-calculator_en)

We can reimburse up to the following maximum amounts, however, would like to ask you to choose an economic travel option.

Distance	Max. Amount
0-99 km	23,00 €
100 – 499 km	180,00 €
500 –1999 km	275,00 €
2000 – 2999 km	360,00 €

Reimbursement will be done upon the presentation of all original travel documents and latest 6 weeks after the end of the training.

Participation in all sessions of the training will be mandatory to qualify for travel reimbursement.

## Application

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To apply fill out the following form by **12<sup>th</sup> January 2023**

<https://forms.gle/zz2x76pRdfyPSJ267>

## Contact

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In case you need additional information, you can reach us via the following email:

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<sup>1</sup> e.g. students, unemployed