



TRAINING COURSE

A DIFFERENT KNOW HOW

non formal learning: a methodology which makes the difference.. if you know how!

2 – 9 December 2013

Lefkosia, Cyprus

Youth in Action program

**Cooperation with the Neighbouring Countries of the European Union -
Training and Networking activities**

The training “A different Know How” will focus on the exchange of ideas to the full implementation of non-formal educational methods when organising life long learning activities.

Title:

A Different Know How

non formal learning: a methodology which makes the difference.. if you know how!

Topic:

Training course on Non-Formal Education Methods and Intercultural Learning.

Context:

The Training Course ***A Different Know How - non formal learning: a methodology which makes the difference.. if you know how!*** was born from a need to offer participants a practical experience to improve on getting from an idea to the full implementation of non-formal educational methods when organising intercultural learning activities.

In specific, exploring concepts of Non-Formal Education and Intercultural Learning, Learning through Workshops, Experiential Learning, Role of a Trainer, Role of a Group, Structure and Techniques of Workshops, Concrete steps in Designing / Implementing / Evaluating Workshops and all the other aspects that are relevant when organising activities in the scope of Non-formal Education and International Youth Field.

The training is expecting motivated youth workers and leaders who work either as volunteers or as staff in their organisations and are expected to work with groups where they can implement non-formal educational methods and get involved in managing and implementing intercultural life-long learning activities.

Aim:

The training course ***A Different Know How*** aims at developing competencies of youth workers and leaders in developing, implementing and evaluating non-formal educational learning activities when organizing international youth projects.

What will happen?

- Participants will:

-develop competencies and skills in key concepts of non-formal educational methods (designing, implementation and evaluation of learning activities);

- be introduced with the approaches of experiential, experimental and intercultural learning and possibilities to adapt it to their local contexts and realities;
- be challenged to use very different cultural environment as a tool for learning and education;
- acknowledge the importance that influence of culture has on person's perception of reality, everyday behaviour and identity.
- reflect about the importance of cultural diversity when organizing international youth projects;
- receive information about existing possibilities and conditions for the development of European youth co-operation projects, with special focus on the Youth in Action Programme;
- exchange best practices on non-formal education when working within multicultural groups;
- identify common criteria and approaches for follow-up projects and initiatives and will be supported in developing them;
- develop an informal network of youth workers and youth leaders in EuroMed region.

When?

02-09 December 2013 (including arrival and departure dates)

Where?

Lefkosia (Nicosia, same city) Cyprus - A Mediterranean island that represents a melting pot of several cultures and religions living together for centuries. Within the Mediterranean it is a excellent host for a Euromed training course combining cultures in the crossroads of eastern Europe

Who? YOU! If you:

- are a youth worker or leader;
- are interested in non-formal education, culture, intercultural topics, active participation and the mix between them all;
- have a minimal experience with the Youth in Action program;
- believe in values such as: understanding between different cultures, social responsibility, sense of belonging to a community, youth active participation;
- are at age of 18+, speak English and are willing to be an active participant in the entire course duration.
- The training will be under the Europmed programme, which means we will be having equal number of programme countries and countries from the **Euro-Mediterranean Partnership** (16 neighbours to the EU's south in North Africa and the Middle East).
- **4 partners from each group. that means 8 partners to be able to send 3 participants**
- **if you have organisations you have worked with and you are interested to invite them please inform us.**

Methods

We will use methods specific to non-formal education and learning, both individual and group methods, taking into consideration participants' learning needs.

- Group work
- Debates and Discussions
- Simulations and Role-plays
- Open space methodology
- Reflection
- Participatory and Improve theatre techniques
- Local community and environment as a tool

Finances:

According to the rules of YIA Programme, YiA covers 100% of accommodation/food, activity and visa costs, and 70% of travel costs (reimbursed ONLY by bank transfer, once we have received the original tickets, boarding passes and original invoices, after your return home).

PARTICIPANTS cover 30% of their own travel costs.

How to apply: Very Important

If you are interested to become partner organization in our project please send us **immediately** the attached form called "A Different Know How Partner identification to fill" by email to trainings@politistiko-ergastiri.org and before **15th of January 2013**.

Do not hesitate to address any of your questions to:

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We are group of trainers decided to work on intercultural learning in a creative and practically useful way.

We have all met during the international long-term course SALTO's TOT - Training Of Trainers for European Youth in Action Projects 2007 / 2008, European Commission and all of us have background in intercultural dialogue learning, also knowledge and professional experience with trainings on this topic and in the framework of the Youth in Action Programme.

About us:

Hosting organization

Politistiko Ergastiri is a non-profit, cultural organization and its mission is to promote culture and learning as an alternative option for social integration. Trainings and learning opportunities are offered based on non-formal learning methods with a low or no cost for its learners - children, youth, adults.

more info: www.politistiko-ergastiri.org

Our experience in the YiA programs is:

- To ACT OR NOT TO ACT – IS THIS THE QUESTION TRAINING COURSE, 2012, ACTION 3.1
- EVS Project "EVS [D.O.T.COM II](#)" (Developing Our Team-COMMUNITY) 2012, Action 2
- DAYCUL - ACT DAILY THINK INTERCULTURALLY Training course, 2011, Action 4.3
- EVS Project "EVS [D.O.T.COM](#)" (Developing Our Team-COMMUNITY) 2011, Action 2
- CAPTAIN CULTURE - INTERCULTURAL LEARNING, Training Course, 2010, Action 4.3
- EUROPEAN NEIGHBOURHOOD Youth In Action NA training Course, TCP CY 2008
- Youth in Action Exchange: Body language - Youth communication. November 2007. Involving hearing Impaired youths. Action 1.1