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Type of organisation (please respond YES or NO to the following questions)	
If your organisation a public body?	NO
Is your organisation a non-profit?	YES
Is your organisation: a public body at regional/national level; an association of regions, a European Grouping of Territorial Cooperation; or a profit-making body active in Corporate Social Responsibility	NO

Background and Experience
<p>Amanay is a non-profit youth organization that works for the improvement of social and territorial development in the Canary Islands, Spain and currently, also builds bridges with youth in the Spanish peninsula and beyond.</p> <p>The association was born from the cooperation of 6 youth workers whose vision was to improve the territory through participatory and formative actions. Currently, the board has 9 members and we collaborate directly with more than 60 (on average) young people all year round. We increase the active participation of people with high socioeconomic vulnerability in society to improve the possibilities of development. The activities carried out by the organization are focused on non-formal education and cooperativism in environmental and social matters; creativity, intercultural dialogue, European values, research and democracy, working to improve the quality of life of people, especially those with fewer economic resources. Amanay has an interdisciplinary group of professionals trained in social branches that encourage the participation of people with high socioeconomic vulnerabilities in social projects that broaden the formative and non-formative knowledge (cultural, creative, digital and pedagogical).</p> <p>The basis of development of our society is in the cooperation of all and that is why, through Erasmus+ projects, we also encourage the participation of volunteers and young people to participate in national, European and international social projects that improve the capabilities of people, cooperating with various people and organizations around the world.</p> <p>Asociación para la Cooperación al Desarrollo e Inclusión Social Amanay has a team with extensive experience and participation in social projects of the Erasmus+ program. We are a young organization born from the experience of youth workers with knowledge of the current social and environmental problems of our societies and European reality. Our cooperation with other European and international entities will give the opportunity to improve people's lives. The Erasmus+ experience increases people's knowledge and improves their personal and professional skills. The objectives to reach these achievements correspond to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Encourage active volunteering of young people and adults in national and international territory. - Cooperate in the development of disadvantaged territories, improving social realities, and promoting democratic values.

- Promote cooperation between organizations in educational, cultural, and social matters between national, European, and international organizations with the aim of improving the situation of the most disadvantaged people, the territories, the environment, sustainability, employment, social inclusion, active participation in citizenship, and innovation that promotes European values.
- Encourage the involvement and access of people with high social vulnerability in projects within the Erasmus+ program that facilitate and improve the quality of life of people.
- To train young people and adults in culture, environment, healthy living habits, employability, job orientation, gender equality, people's rights, leisure, cooperativism, and other educational activities that improve society.
- Values and European Culture
- Bridge with Peninsula and other youth organisations in developing countries beyond European borders, with interest in active presence in their territories.

What are the activities and experience of the organization in the áreas relevant for this application?

This is the third year that Asociación para la Cooperación al Desarrollo e Inclusión Social Amanay will develop projects within the Erasmus+ program. Our team has extensive experience in the implementation and participation in various Erasmus KA1, KA2 and European Solidarity Corps projects. Through the participation of Amanay Association in this European program, the organization will have the opportunity to contact other organizations that cooperate and pursue objectives to improve society. Amanay has collaborated with Spanish local entities and organizations or schools from countries like Poland, Turkey, Luxembourg, France, Italy, Bulgaria, Romania, Croatia, Cyprus, Latvia, and Lithuania.

To this day, Amanay has participated as a partner in the following projects

KA220 - SCH Planting Ideas on Stage: raise awareness of human responsibility towards the plant world by applying innovative teaching methods. KA152 Paint a Rainbow: Exchanging knowledge and experience between young people from the LGBT community. KA 210 Virago Empowering Women: human rights-based responses by women and promoting women's resilience towards war. KA152 Demo Green: Promoting the synergy of democracy and green thinking among youth. KA152 Elec-trick: Democracy in action for young people interested in political participation. KA153: Shadow Theater for Social Change: create shadow theater on social topics to empower their target groups and facilitate social change.

Amanay has coordinated the following projects:

KA152 Draw your life: Promoting respect and awareness for young people of the LGBT community. KA155 Viajeros 2.0: Interrail across 4 EU countries
ESC30-SOL Maxobio: Environmental awareness through participation in local actions. KA210 IA for Young Entrepreneurs: Supporting a community of young entrepreneurs interested in AI.

In the Canary Islands, we are making the organization known through social networks and associative meetings on the islands of Fuerteventura, Lanzarote, and Tenerife, with the aim of growing and implementing projects in the lives of people and the territory. This year, Amanay welcomed new members from the mainland who are also youth workers.

In December 2024, the final activity of the "Jovenes Conectados" project took place in the municipality of Antigua with young people from this area. A total of 50 young people

participated in this activity, engaging in participatory dynamics for the responsible use of digital platforms and wellbeing awareness. This project, developed by Amanay, is part of the youth grants funded by the Department of Water, Education, and Youth of the Island Council of Fuerteventura.

From 2022 to 2025, our organisation members coordinated “Steering groups”, groups of young people in different parts of the Island that gather together to create local impact while empowering individuals who have difficulties thriving in the rural context and isolation of the islands. The so-called ‘steering groups’ are made up of young people aged between 14 and 35, with the aim of creating spaces for decision-making and establishing an island-wide youth participation network. As a complementary initiative, these participants developed their skills in a Youth Participation and Facilitation Certification by the Youth Participation and Facilitation Project of the Cabildo of Fuerteventura, so that the youth of Fuerteventura can have leisure and training activities. In total, fifty-four young people from all municipalities have been trained and received this qualification so that they can be autonomous in organising activities in their local context. The Youth Participation and Facilitation Project is promoted by the Youth Department of the island corporation, with actions carried out by the youth facilitation groups (steering groups) of practically all municipalities

The spirit of this organization is reaching young people who have difficulty thriving. This is why they are working on their first international cooperation projects with Youth NGOs from Cuba and Guatemala

What are the skills and expertise of key staff/persons involved in this application?

The workers and members of Asociación para la Cooperación al Desarrollo e Inclusión Social Amanay have participated hand in hand with other organizations in Erasmus+ projects. Iker Zalbidea Reguera, 29 years old, president of the Amanay association for the last 2 years. He studied Geography and Law. He is currently studying to be a primary school teacher. He is passionate about the world of associationism and citizen participation of all groups, with special emphasis on youth. He works as a youth coordinator in the government of the island of Fuerteventura (Canary Islands, Spain). He is also the coordinator of social and Erasmus+ projects. In his free time, he dedicates it to the writing and publication of projects proposed by the youth and also to the implementation of these projects. He leads a group of 19 people who make up the association, not counting the many volunteers that the association has. Marey Martín Calero, vice president of the Amanay Association, 22 years old, studied a higher cycle of early childhood education, and as a result, I really liked the sociocultural sector. Currently dedicated to the elderly sector also carries out youth projects. Today she is a promoter of a group of local young people who meet once a week to do activities, with the intention of meeting their needs and interests, as well as promoting certain needs. Cindie Capel Durán, 31 years old, is the secretary of Amanay, a biologist and youth rights activist. She is part of the Training Pool of the Spanish Youth Council, where youth organizations are trained on topics such as equality, youth policies, and political participation. She is currently specializing in sustainability and digitalization for organizations. She has facilitated spaces such as the European Youth Conference in Alicante in 2023. As a member of the National Working Group in Spain for the European Youth Dialogue Program, she coordinated activities during the 10th cycle of this program, which focused on Youth Goal 3: Inclusive Societies. She was the contact point for this program with the communities of Murcia, Valencia, and Catalonia. Specifically in Valencia, she consulted with more than 170 young people. Her main

area of expertise is environmental awareness, and is keen on non-formal education and tech and digital literacy. Nicolás Cabrera, 25 years old, treasurer of Amanay association, is a Computer Engineering student with training in systems, web development, and cybersecurity. He has professional experience as a programmer and systems administrator, and actively participates in a youth association where he organizes activities for young people, such as educational workshops, cultural events, and sports. Keen in Erasmus+ as an opportunity for learning, cultural exchange, and both personal and professional growth.

Together with them, more people of the organization have extensive training and experience in Erasmus+ projects, which enriches the knowledge and professional value of the organization.