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# V.I.A.

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## About project !

Training Course V.I.A. Volunteers in action aimed at developing skills of youth workers, youth leaders, multipliers and volunteers in developing and promoting intercultural learning and participation of young people and through volunteer projects with high impact on the volunteers and the local community. Participants deepen their knowledge on the subject of intercultural and non-formal learning, and received some of the tools and resources for planning cross-border volunteering projects. They explore the impact of intercultural non-formal learning, volunteering and sharing of best practices in promoting and increasing the visibility of intercultural learning and volunteering, as well as develop new practices. Possibilities of using Youthpass the activities of the Youth in Action as a tool for self-reflection and evaluation were also topics of our project.

## About NGO !

Youth Association PHARINA, an association that deals with young people at the local level of the island. As partners we have been engaged in over 15 projects in the program "Youth in Action" from Spain, Turkey, Armenia, Georgia, United Kingdom .... After the project "Creative entrepreneurship for social change" in January this year, this was our second EU project, we have successfully done under the guidance of project managers Mr. Jurica Petrić.



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**About Hvar!** With a wine heritage dating back 2,400 years to the Ancient Greeks who founded the oldest town in Croatia in Stari Grad, to Hvar's wonderfully recuperative climate, which helped establish the oldest organised tourism in Europe in 1868, Hvar has the natural resources to provide the very best in a holiday experience. Add to that some of the world's best beaches and cleanest sea (CNN voted Jerolim its number one naturist beach in 2011), some of the best nightlife on the Adriatic, a strong activity programme and a fascinating cultural and heritage offer, and is it not hard to see understand why Lonely Planet named Hvar its number 5 destination for 2012.

# You Tube Channel

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**CROATIA**  
The Mediterranean as it once was

## Youthpass

All participants at the end of training Course, they get Youthpass certificate as proof of successfully completing training and informal acquisition of knowledge.

Throughout the week, participants focused on eight key skills (which were involved in the work program on training course) and they were given instructions to collect, synthesize, summarize and compile the most important part of learning.

## Project's content and methodology

The theme of this training course is how to getting the deepest impact and visibility of volunteering projects and how volunteering can give chances to intercultural, non-formal learning.

The organisations selected to be promoters in this training course work in the area of local, national or international volunteering, where volunteers are encountered with intercultural non- or informal learning and are developing ways to promote it to the broader public or integrate it more in their daily work.

For the conduction of the TC, we was orientate on the following principles: Hand, Heart and Head - Holistic Approach (Skills, Knowledge and Attitudes); Safe Space (Trust in the place and methods/ Values based); Communication and Mutual Understanding (Open Mind); Responsibility for one's Own Choice (Participation); Interactive; Trainees-Centred; Learning from Experience; Take into account individual and group learning (using group as a resource); Motivation; Personal contribution; Multiplier effect; Non-formal approach with theoretical inputs.







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I was really enjoying. We had a lot of amazing workshops about culture learning. Also, we spent great time in Hvar. Group were very friendly and all of us have been participated in every kind of animation. I'm satisfied with people, trainer and especially with organization. Greetings from Serbia. **Jelena - Serbia**



This was my first YIA project and it was above all of my expectations. I learned a lot. I became more creative. I met beautiful people that gave me inspiration for improvement of myself and the surroundings. And the organization and trainer were magnificent. I loved it!!! **Marta - Croatia**

That project was the unforgettable experience. Venue with the views so beautiful that hard even imagine, great activities led by charismatic trainer, perfect coordination and first of all - amazing, unique people from different countries and cultures. I went back home totally satisfied with big motivation to change myself and to be more active as a volunteer. **Ziemowit - Poland**



"Volunteers in Action" is one of the best projects I've ever participated. The days spent in Hvar always will be on my mind as awesome memories. I appreciate that great job performed by the organizers who had always been doing their best to make the project and the environment perfect, including: food, activities, hospitality. I would like to say special thanks to Jurica and Desy due to their hard work. I do hope that I will have another opportunity to go back to Croatia and become a part of this brilliant team. **Maka - Georgia**



It was a great experience. All the training and workshops were very interesting. I think all participants learned a lot, not only from the training but also from other participants. **Umut - Turkey**

This TC, that was held in Hvar, Croatia was a wonderful experience for me. It was perfectly organized (accommodation, meeting room, the coffee breaks) .. I met a lot of interesting people from different countries and I have learnt about their cultures. The trainers were great and we learned a lot. **Bojan - Macedonia**



## OUR PARTNERS:

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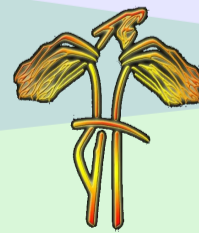
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TURKEY - Group Zenith

SERBIA - Media Education Centre

MONTENEGRO - Snaga mladih Crne Gore

MACEDONIA - Youth Centre for equal opportunities



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A big thank you to all our partners, who are from the beginning with us. Your tips, comments and assistance contributed to the successful implementation of the project, and thus once more over our knowledge, skills, but expand the European spirit and values.

What about the project and training, our participants said!







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## Evaluation!

### summarized by category

Achievement of the TC	4,49
Score activities	4,58
How did you find the accomodation?	4,34
What do you think about the methodology of the TC?	4,60
How was the team? (trainers & organizer)	4,82
How would you evaluate your own contribution?	4,23

## Thanks!

In the name of the organizers, and in my own name, I wish to thank all the staff of Hostel "Villa Marija" and Restaurant "Mizarola" in Hvar, who have from the start and for the duration of the training course were available and to help. Thanks for your open hearts, smiles and hospitality, although sometimes it was not easy with all of us.

JURICA PETRIĆ  
Project manager



Villa Marija  
YOUTH HOSTEL HVAR

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pizza — HVAR — bistro

Our sincerest Thank You to all those who have extended a hand of goodwill in this project, and given the overall contribution of hospitality!



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