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Training course „Creative entrepreneurs for social change“

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The training course Creative Entrepreneurs for Social Change is developed with the motto that “a goal of every living creature is to break out of the box.” Creative entrepreneurship is a path to stimulate young people's spirit of initiative, their ability to think imaginatively and originally, their readiness to take risk in order to achieve economic, political, social or environmental goals.

During the eight days of the course we pursue activities and exercises that reinforce some of these basic creative entrepreneurial skills: team building, communication, intercultural competence and creative thinking skills. We explored why creative thinking is considered a basic skill of entrepreneurship and improve the power of participant entrepreneurs increase their ability to think creatively.

Training has contributed not only to the personal development of the participants, but also to promote the exchange of best practices and establish new connections throughout Europe.

The course will be held in Zagreb, Croatia, from 09 to 17 January 2013. years and included 24 participants from the following countries: Bulgaria, Croatia, Italy, Poland, Slovakia, Spain, Turkey and Romania.

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Youth Association PHARINA

YA Pharina, founded in 2008. year in Hvar, with the aim of a more active involvement of young people in the community, at all levels of activity, ranging from cultural, sports, humanitarian to political.

Of the first activities that were related to the action solely on the local area, so far we have grown into a NGO, which organizes international projects, and we have participated as partners in about 10 projects in Europe.



We are active members of the Youth Council of the City of Hvar, where it has three seats in the Council we have a president who comes from our ranks.

Given that we are still young, we hope to continue to be an active and important part of our local and European life.

YOUTUBE CLIPS



TV reports (in Croatian) and video clip of participant can be viewed at the following links:

<http://youtu.be/3DBoWNeRRj0>

<http://youtu.be/OFDTFN9Iwlg>

<http://youtu.be/Imj-enoZZcc>

Project's content and methodology

Program of this training course is focused on the some of the skills we find important for an entrepreneur- planned exercises will contribute to the development of mainly communication and creative skills of the young participants. We gave the project title Creative Entrepreneurs for social change because we believe that creativity is one of the preconditions to be a good entrepreneur. Being creative means being able to generate innovative project ideas, to attract people and to gain their attention, to find unexpected solutions for conflicts and problems. In particular main themes of exercises and discussions are:

Principles of the good entrepreneurship: Leading international teams and working in the intercultural environment; Intercultural learning process; European awareness; Team-building and motivating the team; Communication management in the team; Facilitation skills; Public speech; Techniques of the creative thinking; Developing youth exchange projects under the Youth in Action Programme.



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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.

At the end of the training, they discuss the achievements of training, preparation and evaluation of the implementation process. In this way the participants to focus on their learning outcomes and share individual learning plans and outcomes to everyone in the group.





What about the project and training, our participants said!

CREATIVE ENTREPRENEURS FOR SOCIAL CHANGE – this topic made me think not only for myself, but also for the others and what can I do for them in order to enrich our lives. This was my main motivation to apply for this training and I am really proud of the fact that I participated in it and managed to turn my focus of attention more to the others than on me.

Nowadays, young people need stimulus to develop their innovative ideas and share their knowledge and professional experience with the others. In this connection, this training course was the right place to learn, play, express yourself, work hard and understand the others no matter where do they come from. All the topics that were covered during the course will be very useful for me and I'll certainly try to implement everything learned in my professional and personal life.

As a young architect I found very interesting the lessons about Motivation, Inspiration, Leadership, Entrepreneurship and the information about the Youth in Action Program and all the possibilities that it is giving to the young people. In future, I will use the acquired skills not only in my work, but also in my communication with different people. During this course I learned how to listen to the others, appreciate their points of view, understand their problems and reach a conclusion which might lead to a final solution.

In order to guide us in the field of the Creative Entrepreneurship were Francesco and Gilberto who were our trainers. They managed to make from 24 people from 8 different nationalities one strong and motivated team who worked with lots of enthusiasm and passion during the whole training. They encouraged us to be ourselves, but at the same time act as one. I really appreciate their role in the whole learning process and I believe that they also enjoyed working with us.

Marina Vasileva, Bulgaria

I am really glad I had the chance to participate in this project, from time spent in Zagreb I have only good memories. I was positive surprised with the level of organization, from accommodation which was solved great, organizers who were always ready to help, and find good solutions, food which was various and delicious.

I cannot find any detail to complain on or be unsatisfied, it was all together made in really good organization and friendly spirit. I hope that knowledge I got there, and it is quite a lot, will help me in future.

Josip

The topic of the training course was creative entrepreneurship for social change. Through this project, and especially thanks to the people I met there, I realised that the most important thing is to be enthusiastic, creative and positive in any situation, even if you don't have a job. Creativity can create new possibilities and affect your community in a positive way. The week spent in Zagreb made me feel more self-confident, motivated and willing to do something and take the initiative instead of being passive, waiting for something to happen.

The organizers were very nice, kind, friendly and helpful people. I felt like I was at home, like I had known everybody for a long time, even if I had just met them! They were always listening to our needs and requests and trying to fulfil them, they were socialising with us and creating a friendly and relaxed atmosphere. Lovely!

Zagreb is a very beautiful city. It took me a while to feel its atmosphere, but it was kind of magic in the end. It's pretty, small, man-sized. And people are super nice, helpful and kind. It was a surprise for me when even old people in small shops were speaking some words in English!

The only bad thing is that it all ended too fast ☹

Nicole (Italy)



Creative youths of Europe





Training course in the pictures!



OUR TRAINERS



Gilberto Martinez (Spa) & Francesco Leone (Ita)

In the name of the organizers, and in my own name, I wish to thank all the staff of "The House" Hostel in Zagreb, 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
Secretary of the Youth Association PHARINA



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