



"Formal Education Meets Non Formal Learning – a story of success"

CYPRUS (27 September - 05 October 2014)

CulEdAr is a youth association promoting non formal learning, active participation of young people in the society, intercultural dialogue and awareness on social issues that influence young people, culture, education and art. Members of CulEdAr are mainly volunteers and youth workers active in the fields of national and international youth events and activities.

This training course is the result of our observation of a rising interest in non-formal learning and in how youth organisations, youth workers and youth leaders could use this to manage more efficiently their groups of learners and maximise the benefits that young people get through it.

In line with the given EU policy towards recognition of NFL, this training course aims to train youth workers and youth leaders in the methodology of Non-formal Learning (NFL) and to explore how non formal learning can be used within the framework of formal education and also as motivation for reintroducing the school drop outs to the educational system or the labour market.

Using mainly non-formal learning methods (peer education, group discussions, presentations, interactive exercises, sharing for experiences and know-how etc.), we will focus on the key competences, their definition and how someone can design and implement a project, so as to maximise the learning achievements of the participants.

The main objectives of the exchange will be:

- to train youth workers and youth leaders in achieving the key competences.

- to exchange NFL methods, tools and experiences among the participants.

- to enhance the level of understanding for the key competences and to investigate other methods for recognition of the learning outcomes by the learner himself.

- to encourage participants to develop their own tools and to learn how to adapt existing ones in their daily work schedule.

- to spread the word through multipliers in local communities, who will try to bridge the gap between formal and non-formal education.

- to investigate how NFL could help young people with fewer opportunities and NEEDs to relocate in the society.

PRACTICAL INFORMATION

Dates: 27 September - 05 October 2014

Starting: Saturday, September the 24th (Arrival Day) **Ending**: Sunday, October the 05th (Departure Day)

Venue:

- Hosting Facilities in Paphos Region

Participants:

- Maximum 24 participants from 8 countries (3 Participants per country)
- Participants with basic knowledge of English

Registration

- Visa costs of selected participants will be covered by the sending organization
- Hosting and part of the travel costs (accommodation, food, programme activities, local transport) will be covered by the hosting organization.

Information

Deadline for applications : 12 March 2014 Yiannos Economides – Tel : +357 99803280 or <u>culedar@gmail.com</u>