

# **Abstract Erasmus plus – KA2 deadline 1<sup>st</sup> October 2014**

## **“young people and new technologies”**

We are a training centre based in Torino (north west of Italy) and we have roughly 700 trainees: half of them are under 18.

They often show lack of resources and competencies (cognitive, cultural, social and professional) which are needed for their working insertion. Thus, the risk of social exclusion and weak employability.

We think that one of the most important competencies is the conscious use of the new technologies: these allow to build relationships, acquire information, generate knowledge, create new working opportunities. Also the youth leaders need to acquire more know-how in this field in order to support young people in a reciprocal path of growth and development.

For this reason we think that “*peer education*” and “*cooperative learning*” could be the suitable techniques to enable this educational path.

### **Aims**

- Build an active and reciprocal educational path between young people and adults
- Acquire specific competencies for the conscious use of new technologies
- Innovate educational processes using the new technologies
- Promote a collaborative learning as opposed as competitive learning
- Gain new competencies and knowledge on peer and *cooperative learning*
- Facilitate the active role of young people
- Gain practical experience developing competencies and skills
- Facilitate working insertion

### **Proposal**

The project aims at creating an experimental training path for young people and trainers on the active use and knowledge of new technologies and new media. This is the common ground where young people “digital natives” and adults “digital immigrants” have to grow up and confront each other.

There will be an intellectual output (methodology, guidelines..) supported on media which will be defined.

We are looking for any kind of partner dealing with young people in the following fields: education & training, social programmes, working insertion activities...

### **Method**

The activities will be carried out using peer education and cooperative learning techniques. New technologies and media will be used as a working instrument and as object of the training path. There will be work done in the partner countries, on line activities, youth blended mobilities and exchanges.

### **Activities:**

As well as the compulsory activities foreseen by the Erasmus plus projects (i.e transnational management meetings) the project will have the following activities

- youth leaders first exchange
- Training of the youth leaders on new media/new technologies and on peer education and cooperative learning: this will be done in each partner countries but there will be also on line sessions, common to all the partners
- First phase of experimental activities with young people in all the partners countries
- Second youth leaders exchange and young people exchange
- Second phase of experimental activities with young people
- Third youth leader exchange w/young people exchange and decision about the final product
- Multiplier events in the partner countries
- Final multiplier event

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