United against (youth) precarity

Project summary

Movement for Decent Work and Welfare Society (in Slovene: Gibanje za dostojno delo in socialno družbo) is a NGO, which is located in the capital of Slovenia, Ljubljana. We are primarily focused on the areas of welfare state and society, labour market, and fight against precarity. Our main activities include organization of round tables, workshops, campaigns on labour issues and precarity, collaboration with the experts, informing general public about the labour and workers’ rights, preparation of the written contributions, and participation in labour legislation changes.

Nowadays, we witness that precarious labour and work conditions, various types of associated instabilities become more and more serious and topical issues for young people in particular and workers and employees in general. “United against (youth) precarity” is a project, which is aimed at establishment of sound co-operation between like-minded partner organizations all around Europe active in the field of anti-precarity actions and measures. In framework of Erasmus+ the project falls into the Learning Mobility of Individuals (Key Action 1), an action is Mobility for young people and young workers, an action type is Mobility of youth workers. The total duration of the project is 5 months - from January 1, 2018 till May 31, 2018.

On behalf of Movement for Decent Work and Welfare Society during the course of the project we plan to organize a 3-day meeting with the representatives of the partner organizations. The meeting will take place in the middle of March (week 11) in one of the regions of Slovenia. We are inviting for up to 2 representatives of each organization to join us.

The programme of the meeting includes presentation of precarity, and youth precarity in particular, situation in each of the participating countries, lectures on precarity prepared by the members of Movement for Decent Work and Welfare Society and invited experts, roundtables, brainstorming sessions, and debates. One of our main intentions, apart from connecting like-minded organizations, is establishment of an international on-line platform, which would provide general, legal, and practical information about precarity situation in the participating countries. The platform is meant for use of precarious workers, experts and researches, public bodies and NGOs, general public, etc. Particularly, we aim that one of its main functions will be to raise awareness about precarity and the precariat, while providing useful information for precarious workers, such as data about the labour rights and work conditions in each country and a list of relevant organizations, where individuals may seek assistance in case of any possible problems regarding precarity. We intend that the platform will attract attention and interest of other potential partner organizations that might be interested to join it in the future. The preparatory stage of the platform creation (i.e. collection of information) will be done during the meeting, while the exact launch of the platform is planned on the last months of the project.

Apart from the aforementioned activities several informal events will be organized in the beginning of the meeting in order to acquaint the participants with each other, Movement for Decent Work and Welfare Society, and Slovenia and its culture in general.
All transportation, accommodation, food, and visa (if applicable) costs will be covered by the Erasmus+ grant. Detailed information about the location and timetable of the meeting will be provided later.

We ask your organization to send us 1-2-page-long summary of the precarity situation in your country. Since we are aiming at establishment of long-lasting and mutually beneficial ties, we ask your organization to take our request responsibly. We will check the sent summaries and based on them will confirm your participation in the project. The summaries will also be included in the project’s attachments during the submission of the application form to the national agency to represent our serious intentions regarding the project. Besides, we ask you to include the exact number (check the aforementioned limit) of the representatives of your organization who will be able to come to the meeting in reply. The deadline for the submissions is September 26, 2017.

If you have any questions, comments or proposals regarding the project and the meeting, do not hesitate to contact us (international@socialna-druzba.si).