

## Room for Inclusive Partnerships 1.0

**Program:** Erasmus+ KA1 Mobility of Youth Workers

**Deadline for partnerships:** 01.02.2018

The Education, Audiovisual and Culture Executive Agency (EACEA) has announced a new Call for Proposals for Youth mobility. This Action supports transnational mobility activities targeting young people and youth workers. It supports: Youth Exchanges, youth workers training and networking activities.

The project is looking for well-established, social-impact-oriented organisations - 5 from Programme Countries and 5 from Partner countries neighbouring the EU, specifically South-Mediterranean countries (region 3 - Algeria, Egypt, Israel, Jordan, Lebanon, Libya, Morocco, Palestine\*, Syria, Tunisia).

### **Motivation behind the project:**

The past 60 years European Union has been committed to create a united, well-connected and cooperative block of European countries. Council of Europe, since its inception in 1949 has been working extensively to promote social justice and fundamental values - respect for human dignity and human rights, freedom, tolerance, democracy, equality and the rule of law. The recent political, economical and social changes e.g. new president of United States of America, Brexit, refugee crisis and visible anti-EU movements in certain EU regions have led to increasing nationalism and isolation of societies divided by borders, but EUs visible and loud approach of global cooperation and collaboration to solve some of the most pressing global issues still remains.

In today's world that is becoming more isolated and nationalistic, there is a strong need to reaffirm European vision and approach for cross-country collaboration in solving some of the issues EU and its neighbouring regions are facing. The project "Room for Inclusive Partnerships" aims at creating new project and impact-oriented partnerships between well-established and social change oriented non-governmental organisations from Programme countries and Partner countries neighbouring the EU, specifically, the South-Mediterranean countries (Region 3). The partnerships between organisations based in Programme countries and the Region 3 (South-Mediterranean countries) are not very common today. The project aims at establishing new partnerships with organisations based in countries that have less benefited from European cooperation and Erasmus+ programme.

The project plans to gather 10 grassroots organisations that have been and are successfully working in the field of youth active participation and have managed to build effective tools and interventions creating an enabling environment and mobilising resources

## **Room for Inclusive Partnerships 1.0**

allowing youth to develop innovative solutions to some of the most pressing issues of their regions. The project perfectly aligns with the Erasmus+ principles of mobility of youth workers as it mainly focuses on professional development of youth workers, exchange of best practices and training of innovative non-formal practices of how to reach to marginalised young people, overcome isolation and nationalistic issues promoting diversity, intercultural and inter-religious dialogue, common values of freedom, tolerance and respect of human rights. The project plans to prepare at least 4 international mobility projects - KA1 (Youth Exchanges and Mobility of Youth workers) between the participating organisations addressing the main issues of the represented regions and promoting collaboration.

The project has set out to: 1) establish new uncommon partnerships between Programme countries and Partner countries neighbouring the EU (specifically Region 3); 2) develop at least 4 international mobility projects between participating organisations addressing common issues of the regions; 3) exchange best practices and innovative tools to reach out to marginalized young people specifically focusing on transferring and promoting fundamental values of human rights, tolerance, democracy; 4) identify and create an Agenda of common issues not for profit, civil society-led organisations face across the represented regions.

For more:

Miks Celmiņš

[miks@makeroomindia.com](mailto:miks@makeroomindia.com)