

E-Inclusion of Minorities

Erasmus+ KA2: Call for Partners

The idea of the project is to support the inclusion of young people from minority communities by merging ICT, youth work and non-formal education to achieve better impact at local and European level.

With this project we (our partnership) are intended to develop, share and disseminate best practices of e-inclusion that influence the participation of youth from minority background and remote area at local level.

Aim and Objectives

The aim of project is to raise the capacities of partner youth organizations by empowering and improving competences of youth workers/leaders and professionals that are working with minorities, vulnerable and excluded groups within their organizations and communities, to initiate concrete activities for their inclusion in society by promoting and raising awareness about the possibilities of ICT via non-formal education.

To reach its aim, the project has the following specific objectives:

1. To support youth workers/leaders to enable young people from minority communities in developing skills and ethical attitudes while using online-media tools in their youth project.
2. To foster innovative practice exchange in the field of youth e-participation in democratic processes and civil society between participating countries from different regions of Europe using non-formal methodologies;
3. To increase participants knowledge about minorities rights in particular and human rights in general, challenges and violation of rights minorities face, minority-majority relations, intercultural and interfaith dialogue and different models of social inclusion of minorities in European Union and Eastern European countries;
4. To support youth workers and organizations in developing quality projects or activities using ICT that involve or benefit minority young people and promote social inclusion on all levels (from the local to the European level);
5. To explore, develop and disseminate non-formal educational and online tools and methodology (intellectual output) for minority youth inclusion in particular and youth work with minority youth in general;

Understanding all vital aspects of electronic means in democratic youth representation and e-participation can enable youth organizations to become the forefront of influence and decision making, ensure the legitimacy of the processes and act as trained multipliers in National networks mainstreaming youth access to decision making process and participate in civil society via electronic means.

Partner youth and student organizations from Europe working on the development of youth engagement policies research, exchange practices, will come together and undertake training and work on encouraging youth proofing of e-participation tools, that enable and promote the youth participation in civil society and decision making / governing bodies via electronic means.

The flow of the activities consists of 6 phases out of which 2 are mobility activities and 4 international meetings: Preparation meeting, Training Course, Youth Exchange, Follow up, Dissemination and Evaluation meeting phases.

Preparation meeting - getting start -info gathering

Preparation activities - Locally in partner countries and their networks to explore participation issues in minority and remote area communities relevant to the project theme and research/identify existed e-tools and best practices concerning to the e-participation of minorities. (July – September, 2018).

Three-day Preparatory meeting of the head of the organizations and key responsible persons in Europe (International meeting 1).

During the preparation meeting the core and the general flow of the TC and YE will be planned. It will be followed by the online work of the trainers adjusting methodologies and sharing practices and ideas on related matters.

Also, after the preparation meeting the awareness raising activities should be done to create a network of interested organizations and institutions and selection of participants to take part in the coming international activities.

The format of the project will be seminar for collecting information from the participants also some workshop elements will be used during the event.

The final out of the program for the second and third international meetings will be made online after the selection of the participants. The intellectual output of the project will be the TC manual and short film of the meeting.

Date: (September, 2018)

Training mobility - inventing-installing

Training course (International meeting 2) in Georgia for the 20 youth workers, trainers and educators (Multipliers) that are working with minorities.

During the TC they will be equipped with the transferring tools / methods and ways of transferring skills / knowledge on the project's theme.

In the period of 6 working days, we will hold theoretical interactive lectures and workshops in a non-formal education method for capacity building of the participants.

Also, sessions to the discussion on creation of new tools for e-participation will be held to the participants. Intellectual output - tool box and short film of the TC. (November, 2018)

Youth exchange - labbing-testing

Youth exchange activity (International meeting 3) in *Europe* a 7 days event for the young representatives from minority background. During the event they will promote and test and develop the toolbox that had been created at the previous activity.

In this activity participants will develop competences of e-participation, exchange and share the experience of using the tools and methods for e-inclusion, discover new cultures, habit and life-styles of other European participants through peer-learning and strengthen the values of solidarity and democracy.

The opportunity for discussing and learning about inclusion and diversity issues will be given to the participants.

The aim of the activity will be reach through workshops, exercises, role-plays and simulations. (April, 2019).

The final program of the event will be created online by the team between the TC and YE period.

Intellectual output of the activity will be - YE booklet and short film on the YE

Follow ups - implementing - installing tools on the ground

Follow up activities after the Training seminar in the partner organizations to ensure the transfer of the seminar experiences to the peers from local/National networks (July-September, 2019).

Starting work on putting together Intellectual outputs - Methodological and innovative practice Manual «ICT as a tool for inclusion of minorities».

Dissemination phase

- Consummation and finalizing intellectual output (methodology and tool box)
- Dissemination of the intellectual output(s) in local and international level, creating a web-source to upload the information Open Source information.
- Multiplier Events in each partner country to share and disseminate the intellectual outputs developed in the course of the project (June – August, 2019).
Organization responsible for coordination – Umbrella.

Intellectual outputs are - TC and YE manuals, YE booklet, series of short films, Tool box and methodology of e-participation in democratic processes for better inclusion of minorities in civil society.

Evaluation meeting - evaluating

Evaluation meeting (International meeting 4) in *Europe* for representatives of each group to sum up achievements (October, 2019).

Participants will present their results and gained experience during this project. They will evaluate the success of the project. Partners will agree on future activities with the aim of creating new projects ideas. With new projects on similar themes, participants will expand this project to other countries that were not part of the consortium.

Organization and Participants profile

We are looking for the organizations that are interested or have experience related to the topic. This could be the experience of working with young people from minority background or promoting ICT in youth work and e-participation.

The participants are to be youth workers, young leaders, or educators that are working with minority communities on the topic of inclusion. They should be willing to multiply and disseminate the outcome of the activity afterwards, as well as committed to bring their good practices and expertise to share with the group.

Responsibilities of all Partners

- Contribute to the production of educational materials
- Disseminate the project and its outcomes in their own countries
- Send dedicated participants
- Be involved in the whole process of the project and follow-ups

Application procedure

Interested organizations should fill and send their PIF file (attached below) by the 3 March 2018 at ngoumbrellageo@gmail.com

More information is available in the call for partners. (attached below)

If you have any questions, need further information or have comments on the content of the project, please do not hesitate to contact Slava Mezhdoyan ngoumbrellageo@gmail.com

We are looking forward to meeting you!