

Call for Partners

Project type

Erasmus+ KA2 Capacity Building for youth in ACP countries, Latin America and Asia

PROJECT NAME

Erasmus+ youth4tolerance

International cooperation for development of youth participation in the local community

GOAL

We want to empower young people who are not members of any NGO or a political party, due to being marginalized by being from remote or rural areas, urban problem zones or in peripheral regions or belonging to a national or ethnic minority, to become involved in their local communities, primarily by destigmatising the meaning of the word “politics” and everything connected to that term.

THE MAIN IDEA OF THE PROJECT

Youth4tolerance is a project focused on increasing the participation rate of young people in the political and social life of their own community, by actively engaging young individuals who are not members of any NGO or a political party, and are also being marginalized for specific reasons.

The main idea of this project is to empower geographically and socially marginalized young people through seminars, workshops and info sessions, about ways to get active and become involved in social and political activism.

Our project is targeting minorities and people from remote and rural areas, offering them the opportunity to stay in these areas, while taking part in already existing organizations and creating new ones, in which way they can contribute to community development, acquiring in the process essential entrepreneurial and other soft skills and gaining knowledge that will put them higher on the employability ladder.

This project will include following topics:

- Unheard voices
- Active participation of young people
- Electoral procedures
- NGOs
- Political parties
- Inclusive youth policies
- Non-formal learning

- Intercultural dialogue
- Democracy/Active citizenship
- Public policy/Advocacy
- Initiation of active participation of youth in cultural, social and ethical transformation of society
- Destigmatising the meaning of the word “politics” and everything connected to that term

Main activities of this ERASMUS+ long-term project are:

- Local research related to the topic in all of the partner organization countries – they will focus on researching which tool would be the most suitable for their local community, using most innovative approach possible.
- **Kick-off meeting – one of the program countries - get to know the partners**
- **Training Course** - one of the program countries
- **Study visit** – An organised study programme, a view of youth work and youth policy provisions in one host country, with a focus on the topics mentioned above. During the event each partner country will design 3 knowledge transfer tools:
 - i. “Talking cubes” - a set of six-sided dice, each with a different image on them. They are meant to inspire storytelling and creative thinking and problem solving. The cubes for each country will reflect the most relevant topics of that community.
 - ii. Youth policy guide
 - iii. Board game related to youth activism
- Local workshops – The participants of the study visit will be fully capable of facilitating different knowledge transfer events within their communities. The tools designed in the previous activity will be used as part of the knowledge transfer locally. Through workshops, round tables, debates and youth parliament simulations, the participants of the previous events will engage the target group and help them make their first steps in getting active within their local communities.
- **Seminar** - one of the program countries
- **Evaluation meeting** — one of the program countries

OBJECTIVES

- To provide info to our participants about field of youth activism and youth policies
- To motivate young people to engage and become active in rural and remote areas
- To empower young people to transfer their personal experience through study visits
- To train and educate participants to transfer gained knowledge and required skills to the target group
- To raise awareness about the importance of political and social activism
- To use Erasmus+ Programme as a tool for increasing active participation of young people

TARGET GROUP

In this project we are inviting youth workers, youth leaders, NGO activists, representatives of student organizations and all others working/dealing with passive young people from remote or rural areas, and the ones representing national and ethnic minorities.

EXPECTED RESULTS

We expect this project will result in 30 participants completely qualified to independently transfer their knowledge and skills to the target group within their local community, by contributing to the Intercultural youth platform.

This knowledge transfer will directly affect at least 900 young people, who will take active part as the editorial staff of the platform and help share current relevant issues of the target group with the general population and through the discussions on the forum board.

Indirectly, we expect to reach over 50000 young people through different means of online promotion, including website and social media platforms.

PRODUCT/S

The expected products of this project are:

- 10 versions of individualised “talking cubes” - a storytelling tool
- 1 joint youth policy guide
- 10 sets of the youth activism board game
- 1 functional website
- 5 promotional videos created from the clips of the events

PROFILE OF PARTNER ORGANIZATIONS

We are looking for partner (youth) organizations whose activities are related to youth work and topic of decreasing discrimination and raising employability of **young people**.

Organizations **must be** established in **Erasmus+ Program countries and Other Partner Countries from Regions 5 to 14** (check on Erasmus+ Programme guide pages 22, 23 and 24).

If you are interested in becoming partner organization in our project, please send us: Filled partnership identification form – as a Word document (.doc) to E-mail: eycv.projects@gmail.com

Deadline for receiving partnership identification form is: **25 January 2020**

Only selected partner organization will be contacted and asked for additional information!

WHO WE ARE

European Youth Center of Vojvodina is a non-governmental and non-profit organization, founded in 2011. with the goal to initiate active participation of youth in cultural, social and ethical transformation of society.

Experience of the organization

EYCV has constructed a stable youth platform that is correlated with the relevant institutions, which allow positioning the organization in the youth sector. Young members of the organization are youth leaders, youth coaches, youth volunteer workers, university students and high school students. Most members of the organization are actively involved in youth activism at local-community level, provincial and national level. The rich experience of EYCV members, and activism in this area are both playing an important role in democratic processes in society.

- **Educational activities** (education projects in schools and universities, as well as on extra-curricular basis through non-formal education method focused on active citizenship, European conscience, fight against racism and xenophobia, promotion of human rights principles);
- **Cultural events** (conference, seminars, forums, concerts, art exhibitions);
- **Intercultural activities** (programs and projects of youth mobility, education of international topics, promotion of different cultures in Serbia and abroad, welcome activities of tourists and foreigners);
- **Territorial promotion** (promotion of its typical aspects, its artists, tourism, sport activities)

Areas of activity

- Promotion of non-formal civil education of youth through projects;
- Developing awareness towards the respect of human rights;
- Promoting the values of open and tolerant society;
- Establishing international dialogue between young people based on mutual respect upon differences among people and cultures;
- Promoting volunteerism
- Promoting the mobility of young people.