



## CONTEXT AND AIM

## AT THE CROSSROADS OF CIVILISATIONS: INTER-RELIGIOUS DIALOGUE IN YOUTH WORK

TRAINING COURSE

## ORGANISATIONS

In the emerging global and multicultural world, the importance of constructive and dialogical character of interreligious relations is very important. The necessity of dialogue between religions is becoming one of the typical features of the contemporary era. In the light of the European migrant crisis and the increasing religious diversification, the propaganda transmits an inadequate picture of religious minorities and often reproduces stereotypical perception of 'the other'. This leads to tensions, discrimination, and violence based on religious issues.

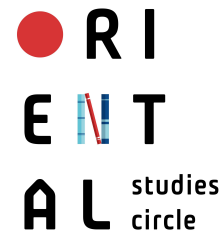
That is why, there is the need for projects, which give the chance for a constructive and mutual exchange between faith groups.

Ukraine was selected as a hosting country since different religious traditions (Orthodox and Greek-Catholic Christianity, Judaism, Islam, Slavic Native Faith, New religious movements, etc.) have often re-gained importance after its harsh suppression during the Soviet Union. This growing importance, however, also includes the risk of marginalization of minority religions, which members are often living in the region for several centuries. Furthermore, today Ukraine is stricken by a serious interfaith conflict between the Orthodox Churches of Kyiv and Moscow Patriarchate. This is one of the main reasons which led to a war in the Donbas in the 21st century.

This justifies the need for dialogue activities, which will raise the sensitivity of especially young people towards other faiths. In general, youth work activities are still less developed in this region due to a lack of institutional support and capacity building measures.

The proposed training course will gather youth workers and youth leaders from Programme and EaP countries to explore the potential for inter-religious activities in youth work settings.

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## PROJECT OUTLINE

### METHODOLOGY

The methodology used will be based on the approaches and values of non-formal education. The course is participants-based and entirely participant-oriented, experiences and contributions from participants constitute an inherent part of the Training Course.

Promoters jointly discuss the topics of this Training Course, will share their experiences in the field of youth activities, develop new ways, methods and tools addressing this topics and design new projects, and ensure the multiplication of this project while exploiting the results and educational concept of this Training Course.

### CONTACT DETAILS

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### OBJECTIVES

- ✓ to provide youth workers and youth leaders from Programme and EaP counties with an opportunity for a personal interaction with representatives of different religious traditions (Orthodox Christianity, Islam, Judaism, Slavic Native Faith, Buddhism, and Hinduism), and give the space to reflect on important topics related to inter-religious dialogue;
- ✓ to raise the participant's intercultural and interfaith sensitivity through exploring various faiths on the principle of constructive dialogue;
- ✓ to equip participants with key competences and innovative non-formal methods, which they can use for lifelong learning activities in the field of inter-religious dialogue in their communities;
- ✓ to link youth workers, youth leaders, academia, and representatives of different religions in a safe environment in order to develop original approaches to interreligious dialogue overcoming interfaith clashes;
- ✓ to create an international network of highly qualified individuals and strengthen the capacities of partner organisations who will work on follow-up projects for sustainable development of young people with diverse religious backgrounds promoting tolerance and interfaith dialogue, as well as preventing violent radicalisation.

### PROJECT DETAILS

<b>Dates:</b>	Autumn 2020
<b>Place:</b>	Kyiv (Ukraine)
<b>Type</b>	KA1, Training Course
<b>Working language:</b>	English
<b>Submission</b>	February 2020 deadline
<b>Partners</b>	<b>4 from Programme countries</b>  <b>4 from Eastern Partnership / Partner countries</b>

### PARTICIPANTS PROFILE

- ✓ The training course is open to youth workers and leaders dealing with projects in the thematic field of the training.
- ✓ The project will stimulate inclusion of disadvantaged groups, such as refugees, religious and ethnic minorities, and those with fewer social, economic or geographic opportunities.

### NEXT STEPS

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