

CALL FOR PARTNERS

Erasmus+: KA1 – Training course

Think globally - Volunteer locally

The association “Urban Society” from Skopje is looking for partners for a project “Think globally – Volunteer locally” that is planning to submit to Macedonian National Agency on 11th of May 2021 deadline. The project is envisioned as a residential training course for youth workers and youth leaders coming from 10 European countries that will be organized in the beginning of 2022 in North Macedonia.

PROJECT SUMMARY

Active citizenship involves volunteering as a tool for individual and society progress. Many young people do not identify things that have taken part in as volunteering. They are unaware of the benefits of volunteering and the meaning of volunteering mobility. The implementation of this project will contribute towards making young people aware of the diversity of volunteering opportunities that exist today.

The aim of the proposal “Think globally - Volunteer locally” is to provide youth workers with competencies and practices to promote and properly inform young people about volunteering as a tool for active citizenship, as well as individual and society progress. This training course will also provide youth workers with tools, information and resources that can help them to make young people aware of the diversity of volunteering opportunities that are available for them.

The project objectives are:

- To develop a volunteering platform where any interested party can be well informed at any time, according to their interests,
- To improve volunteering mobility of young people, locally, regionally and on European level,
- To share good volunteering practices, ideas and solutions of common problems,
- To promote European programs for volunteering and possibilities for mobility of young people,
- To build strong partnerships and connections which will serve as a base for further activities and projects.


The working methods used throughout the training course will be various non-formal educational and creative methods that will include: brainstorming, discussions, groups work, work in groups, simulations, debates, theatre, role playing, presentations and outdoor activities.

ELIGIBLE COUNTRIES


 27 EU member states, EFTA countries, Serbia and Turkey


Each partner organisation should send **3 participants**: youth workers, youth leaders or active members that are involved in the work of the organisation.

PROFILE OF PARTICIPANTS


 Youth workers, youth leaders, project managers, trainers, active volunteers that are involved in the work of involved organisations


 Over 18 years old (preferably 18 to 35 years old)

 Ready, motivated and able to attend for the full duration of the training course and take active part in all phases of the project


 With good command of the English language.


THE ROLE OF PARTNERS

 Take active participation in all project phases from the preparation and implementation of the training course to the dissemination, evaluation and follow-up phases

 Select and send a motivated group of 3 participants according to the agreed profile

 Appoint a contact person who will be responsible for smooth and timely communication with Urban Society

 Contribute and support hosting organisation as much as possible for ensuring visibility of the project and disseminating the project idea, results and activities on your websites, blogs, mailing lists and social media networks before, during and after the project completion

 Be ready to organise with selected participants follow-up activities or events in form of workshops, training sessions, presentations, online conferences, meetings with local stakeholders after the TC for your members, volunteers or young people from your communities that will be on similar topics as the project

FINANCIAL CONDITIONS

The applicant organisation will fully cover the accommodation, meals and program materials for the participants. Travel costs will be covered up to the 100% if they do not exceed the amounts established by the Erasmus+ Programme.

HOW TO BECOME OUR PARTNER?

If you want to be partner on the project, then please send us the attached fully filled **Partner Identification Form** by email to us.partnerships@gmail.com with subject line “TC Think globally – volunteer locally”, not later than 9th of May 2021.

Please use the format of the PIF that we attach to this call for partners. It doesn't need to be the same document, but it MUST have the answers to all questions included in it.

WHO WE ARE

Urban Society is a non-profit, non-governmental association of citizens, established in 2012, that aims towards multi-ethnic and transparent society that is open for everyone, social inclusion of marginalized groups, gender equality and improvement of the capacities and active participation of young people in society. Our association is formed for pursuing common purpose of public interest by trying to develop the society we work in and supporting the European integration of North Macedonia. We achieve this by working in the following areas: human rights, rule of law, democracy, support and work with marginalized groups in North Macedonia and people with fewer opportunities, political education, civil society, community awareness, volunteerism, respect and promotion of interethnic relations, promotion of solidarity and tolerance as well as cooperation with local and international organisation which are sharing our values and vision.

The association fulfils its objectives and tasks through an established working program through the following activities: organising specific program activities; implementation of joint projects and cooperation with local and foreign NGOs, foundations, local governments, state institutions and other organisations; organising conferences, seminars, trainings, exchanges, discussions, public debates, creative workshops, counselling and other public activities and forms of education; publishing manuals, promotional materials and publications; organising voluntary actions to raise awareness on matters of social and public interest, as well as activities encouraging active participation of citizens in decision-making.