**Project description**

The Don’t Ignore, Act project aims to improve the effectiveness of Youth Workers in tackling hate speech within their community (offline and online).

**Type of activity:** Mobility of Youth Workers

**Venue of mobility:** Bucharest, Romania

**Dates:** 27.06.2023 - 05.07.2023

**Project objectives**

1. Improving the competences of 16 youth workers from 8 partner NGOs in **tackling hate speech** (offline and online) among young people through developing media literacy and critical thinking workshops and promoting active attitudes during the 9 days of mobility;

2. Develop capacity building of 8 partner NGOs through the **creation of a booklet** with a first part containing efficient tools about analysis, development and communication on how to tackle hate speech offline and online, and a second part informing about the institutional bodies and public authorities in charge of the mentoring of hate crime in each participating country during the 9 days of the mobility;

3. **Enhancing the partnership** of 8 European Union countries’ NGOs to become active against hate speech offline in their local communities and online by **following the No Hate Speech Youth Campaign guidelines** and methods in the 3 months following the mobility.

**Participants**

The training will involve 16 youth workers aged 18+ **from the partners NGOs' staff** (volunteers, social workers, educators, counselors, trainers and other related staff implementing non-formal activities), who are interested in the topic of hate speech and who are motivated to develop their competences in tackling it.

**Participants’ preparation**

There will be a mandatory preparatory/introductory phase pre-mobility, aiming to introduce basic information to establish common grounds, as well as provide a place where participants will start to form a community of learners and will carry out first homework and assessments in their own organisation, local community, and own needs.

Each NGO will **organize a pre-departure training session** with their participants between 01 and 15 of May 2023, after the participants’ selection process will be completed, discussing the info-pack related issues such as: Erasmus+ program, financial aspect, Youthpass and evaluation methodology within the mobility, topic related homework, travel, inter-cultural evenings preparation, NGOs presentation preparation, etc.

**Project results**

- 1 “Don’t Ignore, Act” booklet in PDF format, containing an introduction in the topic of hate crime and hate speech and activities to tackle them online and offline; a second part to inform about the institutional bodies and public authorities in charge of the mentoring of hate crime in each participating country; a third part dedicated to participants’ thoughts and opinions;

- 5 video interviews of the participants where they will be asked about hate speech based on different topics (sexual orientation, religion, ethnicity, etc). The interviews will last between 1 and 1:30 minutes;

- 1 Official Facebook page (400 followers) and 1 Instagram page (200 followers);

- 1 Facebook group (Don’t Ignore, Act HUB) with 200 youth workers members.