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Evolving
YOUTH



Youth Vision: a new perspective on ICL

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<https://www.facebook.com/Evolving.YOUTH1/>



Applicant organization

Evolving YOUTH is an organization whose main goals are

- ✚ supporting and promoting youth initiatives,
- ✚ creating favorable conditions for intellectual, creative and cultural development.
- ✚ Providing young people with the opportunity to acquire the skills, knowledge and experience necessary for personal and professional growth through non-formal education.
- ✚ To contribute to the development of civil society and to promote intercultural communication through the activities of the associations and through projects implemented by them.

This NGO was founded after several experiences of volunteering at both - local and international levels, after which as a group we decided to take an active role in providing young people in the local community with opportunities to acquire new skills and enable them to participate in promoting civil society.





Summary of the project

Youth Vision: a new perspective on ICL is a training course under the Key Action 1 of the Erasmus Plus programme.

Intercultural dialogue is an important landmark in the European Union, one of the cornerstones of which is a multicultural society. Intercultural learning is a key competence for addressing and adapting to the challenges Europe is currently facing, in particular by referring to the global value crisis, the lack of a common position and the influx of migrants and refugees. The overall aim of this project is to improve the quality of youth work and to innovate in those who are working with young people to promote tolerance and mutual understanding among young Europeans.

Project tasks:

- + Improve youth work in intercultural learning
- + Explore the concept of intercultural learning
- + Explore new intercultural learning models and approaches by exploring changes in different European countries
- + Familiarize yourself with innovative and alternative forms of education for young people (storytelling, graphic facilitation, OST) and use a variety of relevant materials to gain knowledge about all the opportunities offered by the Erasmus + program
- + Promote positive relationships between youth workers from different cultural and historical groups

The training will be based on the principles of non-formal education (eg group as a source of mutual learning, trainer as facilitator of the learning process, holistic approach, etc.) and experimental learning approach, led by an informal education trainer from Italy - expert in business and social responsibility, project writing and management, financial management, mobility programs and participation of young people, non-formal and informal learning.

The implementation of the project would equip youth workers with competences and knowledge necessary for transferring the most fundamental and basic values of our society. The project will also raise awareness of different cultures and languages, which will contribute to promotion of tolerance.





Selection of participants

There will be **24 participants** from **10 countries** - Czech republic, Germany, Greece, Hungary, Malta, Lithuania, Portugal, Italy, Slovakia and Latvia.

We are looking for:



a youth worker



18+



Eager to learn innovative tools and methodologies to be used for young people education



Committed and highly motivated to cooperate and create follow up activities in order to test their learning achievements after the training course



Open minded and actively involved in the activities of their organisations and entities



Participated in at least 3 training courses (as a part of organization or as supporting team)

During the process of selection will be carried out based on 2 criteria:

- 1) evaluation of participant's suitability based on the application form received
- 2) gender balance

The link to **application form** –

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSeXM3bEb64MKaZi8YkFYTkobi2KFRQkq_3nUc9REn-Fvg5svA/viewform

In one of the questions in the form you will be asked to upload a **short video** (up to 3 min) which you can take even with your phone. In video you could shortly present yourself and describe what kind of activities you are doing in your organisation, how often are you doing them and what is the biggest motivation for you as a youth worker. You could also mention if you ever have been an organizer/ facilitator/ support staff of an international project, please shortly describe the project, your role and responsibilities. You can also say few words about the projects abroad you have been to. In case you will be selected, what kind of dissemination activities you would suggest to do.

The selected candidates will have to sign the agreement of participation.

! NOTICE: all the phases of the selections will be followed by the trainer in charge, the facilitators and the partners involved.

Deadlines for selection – 4th of August

Deadline for travel arrangements –11th of August





Dissemination

The participants of the training course will be invited to share their experience gained during the project with their peers in different ways:

Participants will have to implement **2 different activities for 2 different target groups** (total of 30 young people each) in order to share results with young disadvantaged people and with other youth workers.

1.)The first will be one day of workshops about Intercultural Learning with disadvantaged youth presenting results of the training course and youth workers will use what they have learnt in the training course

2.)The second activity will be one day of workshops to share methods gained during the training within the local community by youth workers and organisations involved and as target groups

Press releases on local and international level (via the other participating organizations) newspapers and magazines (Publicity on media of countries of participating organizations).

Sharing of results and new skills, knowledge and methodologies will be also by internet networks, (You tube, Facebook, forum), it will be spread both to the international and local networks of each partner organization. That level of sharing will give the international opportunity to new young people, that were not directly involved in the project, to be aware on the issues treated during the training

Publication of results of the project through e-mailing lists, social media, websites, networks, digital libraries and other spreading channels.

Participating in creation of **toolbox** that will contain educational tools



Financial procedure

During all the activities of this project, the financial rules will follow the rules of Erasmus Plus programme as follows:

Each participant will receive 100% of his/her reimbursement only after:

- **Presentation of travel documents (boarding passes, invoices and tickets).**
- **Filling of the official mobility tool report.**

!!!NOTICE: Do NOT buy any tickets without our confirmation or permission. Prior buying the tickets you should address us and send us travel plan of the participant and ONLY after our authorization you can proceed. All the amounts foreseen by the project were calculated according to the official address of each organization.

Country	Number of participants	Distance band (km)*	Reimbursable travel expenses (EUR)*
Malta	2	2000-2999	360
Slovakia	2	500-1999	275
Portugal	2	3000-3999	530
Lithuania	2	100-499	180
Hungary	2	500-1999	275
Greece	2	2000-2999	360
Germany	2	500-1999	275
Czech Republic	3	500-1999	275
Italy	3	2000-2999	360
Latvia	4	0	0

*https://ec.europa.eu/programmes/erasmus-plus/resources/distance-calculator_en





The venue

The project will be held at hotel “Mežaparks” near the lake “Ķīšezers”–

The address - ROBERTA FELDMAŅA IELA 11, RĪGA, LV-1014, LATVIJA

The link to hotel’s webpage - <http://www.smezaparks.lv/en/hotel/>

You’ll be accommodated in twin room that will share bathroom with another twin room next to it

- Hotel provides towels and wifi;
- In rooms you will be divided by gender



How to reach it:

After exiting the Riga International airport, go straight, cross the parking lot and you will find the bus stop of bus no 22. In the bus stop you will see also the machine where you can buy the ticket (it’s called etalons and it will cost 1.15 EUR) or you can buy it from the driver (it will cost 2.00 EUR).

Please don’t forget to take all receipts with you

You can check the schedule here - <https://saraksti.rigassatiksmelv/index.html#bus/22/b-a/en>

You have to get out in the stop called “Abrenes iela” (about 29 min ride, 16 stops).

At this stop you will have to change bus to no 9. (28 min ride, 20 stops).

You can check the schedule here – <https://saraksti.rigassatiksmelv/index.html#bus/9/a-b/en>

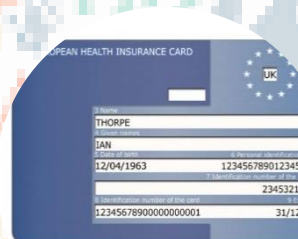
You have to get off the at the stop called “Saules dārzs” and from there it’s 6 min walk till the hotel.





Preparation

- ✚ Health insurance (or E111 card)
- ✚ Don't forget to bring with you any medicine you might need
- ✚ You can bring the necessary things for presenting your country in intercultural evening – national food, drinks, costumes, flag of your country etc.
- ✚ You could bring with you brochures or other promotional materials that would help promoting your organization
- ✚ The temperatures should be about 20 daytime and 10 at night time, please take also check weather forecast before you are coming and take suitable clothes



Communication



Please add yourself to the Facebook group through the link:

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/301332524082431/>



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