

« CITIZENTREPRENEURSHIP »

CALL FOR PARTICIPANTS



An East –West International training course on European Citizenship, youth entrepreneurship and employability



Title of the project : “CitizENTrepreneurship”

Event type : East-West international Training course

Where and when: Stara Zagora, Bulgaria/ 11th – 19th of September 2013

Host Organization: Association “Academy of Success” - Stara Zagora, Bulgaria

Participants 30 Youth NGOs representatives

Main donor: Youth in Action Program (Bulgarian NA, Action 3.1.2)



MAIN ELEMENTS OF THE TRAINING COURSE

AIM:

The main aim of this East-West training course is to promote and foster European Citizenship, employability, volunteering and active participation in society through building up competences for creating sustainable social initiatives and youth entrepreneurship.

Objectives:

1. To develop a common understanding about the **concept of European Citizenship** and to explore instruments for its promotion especially in terms of strengthening social cohesion and mutual understanding

In particular, this TC will contribute:

- to improve participant's civic competences and to improve their ability to be able to participate in society and voice their concerns, ensuring their rights and the rights of others
 - to be informed about the Mobility possibilities offered by the EU and about the chance to work in Europe.
2. To explore how youth work can **raise the employability and foster entrepreneurship** among the young people especially through volunteering and active participation in civil society
- The participants will get to know about self-employment and entrepreneurship through the development of their sense of initiative



- To raise awareness of the potentials of youth entrepreneurship as a tool for self-employment and contributor to social inclusion and cohesion
 - To provoke a positive impact on the local communities regarding problems of youth unemployment and how they could be solved through youth work
 - To gain competences how to use youth work as an advantage on the labour market
3. To empower youngsters, especially those with fewer opportunities to **act as multipliers in the field of European Citizenship and youth participation** in their local communities
 4. To identify and exchange **good practices in East – West** context of Youth work
 5. Preparation of **future action plan for further development**, as well as **building new partnerships for follow up** YIA projects

Working methodology:

The program activities will be based on non formal education, learning-by-doing methods and intercultural dialogue and communication. The training course will stimulate creativity, active participation, and sense of initiative and involvement of the young people in society. For the achievement of the learning objectives a variety of interactive working methods such as workshops, role-plays, outdoor activities and plenary discussions will be used, according to the specific learning needs of the participants and their organizations, in order to cover all aspects of the project themes.

Profile of Participants:

Participants to the training course should meet the following criteria:

- ❖ **BE actively involved in your organisation**
- ❖ **BE able to attend for the full duration of the event**



- ❖ **BE able to fully communicate in English**
- ❖ **BE willing to multiply and follow-up on the outcomes of this training course in your organisation via active youth work**

FINANCIAL CONDITIONS AND ARRANGEMENTS

The training course is scheduled to take place in September 2013, in Bulgaria. The project is financially supported by The Bulgarian NA for the Youth in Action program – Action 3.1.2. The organizers offer the following conditions:

✓ **Travel expenses**

Travel expenses and visa costs (on presentation of the relevant receipts) are reimbursed according to the rules of the Youth in Action Program. The travel costs are covered with 70%, and 100 % of visa fees. Only participants who have attended the entire training course can be reimbursed. The reimbursement will be made either by bank transfer after the course or directly on the spot.

✓ **Accommodation**

Board, lodging, local transports are provided by the organizers.

✓ **Participation fee**

A participation fee of 40€ is payable by each participant. This amount will be paid in Euros to the organizers during the course.

WHAT TO DO NEXT IN ORDER TO PARTICIPATE?

Please fill in the attached application form !!!



"CITIZENTREPRENEURSHIP" – DAILY SCHEDULE



	day 1	day 2	day 3	day 4	day 5	day 6	day 7	day 8	day 9	
	ARRIVAL	SETTING THE GROUNDS	CITIZEN -	TREPRENEURSHIP	THE LOCAL IMPACT	PROJECT MANAGEMENT	PERSONAL DEVELOPMENT	THE FUTURE	BYE BYE	
8.00 – 9.30	Arrival Transfer to venue Check in @ the venue	Breakfast								
9.30 – 10.00		FREE time	My own learning process							
10.00 – 11.30		Official welcome & introduction	EU Citizenship : The basics	Appreciative inquiry : entrepreneurship & employability	Meeting the local NGOs	Project management tools	Me as a multiplier	Presentation of YIA Program Youth pass & key competences		
11.30 – 12.00		Coffee break								
12.00 – 13.30		Get to know each other better	Citizens of Europe : do we know our rights?	Appreciative inquiry 2 nd part	Meeting with the local community - 2 nd part	Project Management practice	Self assessment : YOUTH WORK, EMPLOYABILITY	Developping action plan		
13.30 – 15.30		Lunch								
15.30 – 17.00		Apple team building activity	How to promote the concept of EU Citizenship?	Volunteering, participation, youth work....	Regional discovery & Bulgarian night	PUMP Your Project !!	How youth work can ensure employability?	Final evaluation	departure	
17.00 – 17.30		Coffee break				Ccoffee break				
17.30 – 18.30		NGO Fair	Sharing realities of citizenship	... instruments for entrepreneurship and employability:		Project Presentations	Exchange of East – West best practices in youth work	Closing ceremony		
18.30 – 19.00		Confy/Comfy groups				Confy/ Comfy groups				
19.00 – 20.00		FREE time				FREE time				
20.00 – 21.00		Dinner				Dinner				
21.00 - 22.00		Welcome evening	Socializing	Creative relaxing	Intercultural evening	Creative relaxing	Free evening	C U soon party		



NOTE:

The project team is looking forward to receive your applications forms for participation!! Please remember that the last deadline to apply is the 11th of August 2013. After this deadline the project team will not consider anymore your application. The selected participants will be notified by the 15th of August 2013, so that they start to purchase tickets and apply for visa. The project team will get in touch with each selected participant personally!

CONTACT:

For all questions, please get in touch with the project team on the following e-mail:
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The Team of “Citizenpreneurship” and Association “Academy of Success” are looking forward to your applications and expect to welcome you in Bulgaria 😊

