



A Training Course on InterCultural Learning

TRAINING COURSE CUT THE ICE

A LEARNING OPPORTUNITY FOR YOUTH WORKERS
TO IMPROVE COMPETENCES RELATED TO
INTERCULTURAL LEARNING AND TRANSFERABILITY
OF PRACTICAL APPROACHES ON YOUTH
EXCHANGES.

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CUT THE ICE is the title of the training course with specific focus on intercultural learning and youth exchanges. This is the 5th CUT the ICE to take place over the last years. During 5 days, an international group of youth workers will focus on using intercultural learning methods to discover and understand the concepts of cultural diversity and to acquire the needed competences to implement those during their youth exchange process. The training is based on methods and approaches framing within the non-formal education field.

There will be given a special attention to the transferability of the used exercises, methods and debriefings towards their future projects.

AIMS AND OBJECTIVES

By the end of the training course, participants have:

- ≈ ... experienced, analysed and reflected on **intercultural learning** methods and their **transferability** towards their future projects.
- ≈ ... had the chance to identify and reflect upon the most common made **misunderstandings, mistakes and conflicts** related to culture in youth exchanges.
- ≈ ... received information and practical examples how to use the **mobility programmes as a tool** in their strategic work-planning. (e.g. Erasmus+)
- ≈ ... understood the significance and possible outcomes of **non-formal learning** approaches.

AWARD ...

In 2009, the TC CUT the ICE won the Dutch award for most innovative and creative training course ... and since then, it only has been finetuned even more ☺

During the training, several **METHODS** are used which involve participants in an active way.

Participants will be challenged, not only on their intercultural awareness, but also on their active participation and on their personal self-assessment and ability for groupwork. An **open, tolerant and respectful attitude** will be requested from participants.

Groups work, discussions, statement exercise, lectures, Open Cultural Agenda, simulation exercise, individual and groups reflections, role play exercise, self-assessment model, Youthpass, interactive workshops and participative presentations, exercises, etc.

COSTS

Board, lodging and programme costs will be provided and paid for by the Belgian (Flemish) National Agency of the Youth in Action Programme.

The travel costs will be paid by the National Agency of Youth in Action in your country (in case they will support your participation).

In some cases National Agencies ask for a participant contribution. Check your National Agency.



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**We look forward to meet you on this Training Course
... be ready to be challenged!**

