



# Expressions in Dialogue

# **Euro-Mediterranean Intercultural Dialogue** in Youth Work

27<sup>th</sup> September to 4<sup>th</sup> October 2015 (arrival and departure dates)

Tarragona and Barcelona *Catalonia* 



### The course in brief

Intercultural dialogue has become one of the most pressing challenges of today's Euro-Mediterranean area and the role of youth work bridging diverse communities is more necessary than ever.

Expressions in Dialogue will bring together a group of 25 youth workers and educators from communities around the Euro- Mediterranean area for a six days interactive training course that will explore the challenges of a meaningful intercultural dialogue and will develop youth work educational methodologies based on the principles of Human Rights and intercultural citizenship education.

This course proposal is based on the needs detected among youth organisations around Europe and Mediterranean countries dealing with challenges posed to intercultural dialogue and how to strengthen the competences of youth workers to address prejudice and discrimination. Through providing space for exchange of non-formal education methods to be used in the youth work, we would like to challenge stereotyping and xenophobia and to create a network, where the good practices an be exchanged also after the end of the project

## Profile of the participants

The course is designed for a group for twenty-five educators, trainers and youth workers who already have some experience in the youth field and want to develop their competences promoting intercultural dialogue and human rights education through youth work. Participants from Estonia, Czech Republic, Turkey, Catalonia, Jordan, Lebanon, Italy and Bulgaria are welcomed to apply.

Participants should be ready for an intercultural experience and interested in developing strategies supporting learning development aiming at fostering civic and human rights. Attending participants should be willing to become agents of change in their organisations and communities.

Participants will be selected by the preparatory team according to their Application form, background and potential to develop concrete follow-up will specially taken into account. The selection will ensure to have a group with organisational and geographical diversity and gender balance.

#### Team of trainers

The programme of the course is designed and conducted by a multicultural team of experienced trainers from the Pool of the Youth Directorate of the Council of Europe. They may be complemented by resource experts for specific parts of the course.

# **Hosting Organisations**

The <u>Association of Educators in Human Rights (AHEAD)</u> is a non-for-profit, non-governmental Training Organization. It organises trainings and provides training and consultancy to non-governmental organisations and educational institutions working with young people. The mission of the Association is to promote human rights education (HRE) as a requisite to strengthen the commitment towards a culture of peace, democracy and solidarity.

# **Deadline and Application procedure**

All candidates must apply using the enclosed application form. Applications should be sent before the **23**<sup>rd</sup> **July 2015** by E-mail to the electronic address <u>euromed@AHEADedu.org</u>

The preparatory team will select the participants on the basis of the profile outlined above and ensuring a balanced group (gender, geographical regions, different types of experiences, cultural backgrounds and organisations). A waiting list may be established.

Selected candidates will receive the course documentation and further technical and educational information directly from the organisers.

!!Do not book your travel until your participation has been confirmed by organisers!!

# Financial and practical conditions of participation\_

## <u>Travel expenses</u>

The 80 % of travel expenses are reimbursed (on presentation of the relevant receipts). Participants must choose the cheapest travel option. Only the participants who attend the entire training course can be reimbursed.

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#### Accommodation

Board and lodging for the duration of the Training Course will be provided and paid for by the Organisers

### Enrolment fee

An enrolment fee of 65€ is payable by EU countries participants and 45€ by participants from non-EU countries. This amount will be deducted from the amount to be reimbursed for travel expenses or paid at the beginning of the course.

Financial issues should not be a restriction to your participation. Those participants that contribute to the implementation of the course with a selected relevant workshop or best practice presentation will have part of the fee covered.

#### Information

If you need further information do not hesitate to contact us:

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