

Call for participants

“Energy by Synergy” Training Course

Partnership... it feels better when it lasts longer...

24-29.05.2015

Konstancin-Jeziorna, Poland

“Energy by Synergy TC” is targeted at voluntary and professional youth workers with a draft Erasmus+ project plan, interested in building up strong partnerships. Long-term partnerships and sustainable networks have gained a big importance within the Erasmus+ Programme. Many organisations and their youth workers don’t know how to make this happen. So unfortunately, projects mostly end after the last day of the activity and the collaborations die together with them.

How can you have sustainable impact on regular youth work and make sustainable changes and collaborations by doing Erasmus+ projects? How can you obtain more than ‘just make another project’?

We carefully selected two mayor elements to work on:

1. Creation of an inspiring common vision for the changes that you would like to happen in the future.
2. A supported strategic plan which integrates project management elements such as how to build up your network, intercultural communication, common aims & desired outcomes.

Activities

This training course is an opportunity for you to get inspired and challenged to work on innovatory ideas and put them into practice. It will not be about how to apply for an Erasmus+ Programme, although the participants will have the opportunity in brief to get to know Key Action 2 of Erasmus+, which supports building up strategic partnerships.

Through the training course, we want to encourage participants to direct their own learning and to exchange experiences and good practises. We support this process by a variety of methods such as simulations, future thinking techniques, open space, outdoor activities and mentoring.

Aims and objectives of the TC

After the Training Course:

- Participants will give value to and integrate the perspective of sustainable partnerships in their project plan.
- Participants will be ready to work on sustainable partnerships by:
 - creating a common vision of a project and an adequate partnership/collaboration
 - strategic thinking
 - setting up common goals/aims and a matching timeframe
- The participants will be able to identify and understand:
 - core elements of intercultural communication
 - different stakeholders' interest
 - different ways to make waves (exchange useful methods of dissemination and exploitation of results)
 - different phases of partnership development.

Target group of the TC

The training course is designed for youth workers, youth leaders, project managers and multipliers who:

- have experience in „Youth in Action“ and/or Erasmus+ Youth projects or have the intention to get involved in Erasmus+ programme
- are motivated to work on the quality of their projects
- represent an organization/institution realizing or willing to organize international youth projects;
- are available to actively attend the full duration of the training course;
- are minimum 18 years old
- are able to communicate and work in **English**
- are residents of the Erasmus+ Programme Countries and Eastern Partnership countries and Russia (we will invite 4 people from this region).

Date & venue

- From **24 to 29 May 2015** (participants are expected to arrive on the **24th before 16:30**; departures are planned on the **29th after breakfast**).
- The training course will take place in **Konstancin-Jeziorna** (in the **neighbourhood of Warsaw**), Poland.

Trainers

Trainers: **Line Ostyn** (Belgium), **Melih Özkardes** (Germany), **Soner Baskal** (Turkey) and **Anna-Sophia Pappai** (Poland)

Application procedure & deadline

Please **apply through SALTO website** not later than **15 March 2015**. If your application is accepted, you will receive a confirmation and further information as soon as possible after the 23 March 2015.

Financial conditions

The “Energy by Synergy TC” is financed by the Erasmus+ Youth Programme and is organised by the Polish, German, Belgian FL and Turkish National Agency of the Erasmus+ Youth Programme.

- **Board and lodging** of accepted participants will be provided and paid by the organizers.
- **Participants from Programme Countries:** travel costs can be covered by your National Agency according to their own rules (please check before applying).
- **Participants from Eastern Partnership countries and Russia:** travel and visa costs will be covered by Polish NA but selection will be done by SALTO EECA.
- Any **insurance**, especially medical, is a private responsibility of each participant.

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