



# MAKING THE DIFFERENCE

# 3

## Partnership Building Activity

BUILDING PARTNERSHIPS FOR YOUTHEXCHANGES WITH A FOCUS ON NORTH – SOUTH PARTNERSHIPS

21<sup>st</sup> – 26<sup>th</sup> of June 2016, Vila da Marmeleira, Portugal

	Tuesday 21/06	Wednesday 22/06	Thursday 23/06	Friday 24/06	Saturday 25/06
9h30	Arrival participants	Get to know each other	(late breakfast buffet)  Debriefing international evening	Partner building: creating groups of common interest around themes & topics, based on needs and expectations	Project building: action plans
10h40		Break	Youth exchange and local impact/involvement: how can this go together Quality criteria of a youth exchange	Break	Break
11h10		Get to know each other		Project building with ongoing coaching of the groups	Presentations of results in plenary: feedback phase
12h30		Lunch	Lunch	Lunch	Lunch
14h00		Erasmus+: the follow up of YiA as a programme AND a tool!	Partnerships: how and why	Project building	Unfinished business Final evaluation
15h30		Break	Free time with optional 'village adventure game' (run with informal group of young people from the village)	Break	Break
16h00	Welcome practicalities	The role of your organisation in society: local and global		Project building	Cultural closing event (public) with theatre by the children of the village
17h20			Dinner	Dinner	Community dinner
19h00	Dinner	International dinner with local families(from 19h30)	Free time in village with optional public event	Project building	International good bye evening (public event)
20h30	International organisation fair				

**INTERNATIONAL ORGANISATION FAIR:** please bring along information on your organisation, previous projects (if any), visual materials etc. in order to create a clear visual presentation of your organisation.

**2 INTERNATIONAL EVENINGS IN THE VILLAGE:** on the Wednesday evening, participants will be divided in smaller groups and hosted for a 'Portuguese dinner' by different local families. The last evening, the snacks and drinks from the present countries in the PBA will be part of the final public event to be shared with the local community.

**PROJECT BUILDING:** smaller groups start the concrete work on building a project(s), interspersed with short lectures and mini workshops on different topics.



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## WHY A PARTNERSHIP BUILDING ACTIVITY ... FOCUSING ON YOUTH EXCHANGES!?

We hear it often ...youth exchanges change young people's life! And yes ... they do indeed. It is not only a great and fun project, but if done well ... especially rich in learning for all those involved!

Youth exchanges have played a very important role in the past years and remain a cornerstone in the mobility programmes of the European Commission for the coming years. The Programme Erasmus Youth in Action also underlines the importance of such Youth Exchanges as a powerful tool for young people to empower themselves and to grow towards active citizens of their own community up to European and global level.

The National Agency of Norway and Portugal for the Erasmus+: Youth in Action Programme launch therefore this Partnership Building Activity (=PBA), with a clear focus on increasing the cooperation between NGO's and groups from Northern and Southern Europe. **"MAKING THE DIFFERENCE 3"** aims therefore also to connect the young people from both corners of Europe.

This PBA will take place in a rural village in the centre of Portugal: 'Vila da Marmeleira' with 350 habitants. Over the past years, different international activities (including YiA) have been introduced in this community, offering a win-win situation for all involved. Local development/change through their involvement in the activities and a deep intercultural experience for the participants placed on the foreground. The community project 'Rural Centre of Non Formal Education' is in charge of practical organisation of this PBA. This village seems to us a good setting to organize the 3<sup>rd</sup> edition of the Partnership Building Activity **"MAKING THE DIFFERENCE"**, where **NORTH MEETS SOUTH**.

## TARGET GROUP

- ➔ Max 30 participants from **NORWAY, FRANCE, CROATIA, CYPRUS, TURKEY, SPAIN, ITALY AND PORTUGAL**
- ➔ Being able to use English as working language
- ➔ Having a true and real interest in establishing partnerships
- ➔ Youth workers and youth leaders who can represent their youth group's interest
- ➔ This Partnership Building Activity is also open for youth workers and leaders who wish to start with youth exchanges in their organization or group.



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## OBJECTIVES

- To create an opportunity to find good and reliable partners to make youth exchanges with
- To understand what is needed to plan a youth exchange of good quality.
- To create a solid networks of contacts and partnerships
- To equip the youth workers with insight in their role as coach and support.
- To experience the possibilities of local involvement.
- To understand the impact and social change a youth exchange can have within the local community.

## DURATION

Participants are expected to be part of the full duration of the Partnership Building Activity. All board and lodging is foreseen from Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> of June dinner time, till after breakfast on Sunday 27<sup>st</sup> of June 2016.

Transport by bus between airport Lisbon and the village is foreseen for all participants on the day of arrival and departure. After selection, more concrete info will be provided on the exact times of this bus for both days.

## TRAINERS TEAM

The PBA “Making the Difference 3” will be facilitated by the pedagogical team of the Rural Centre of Non Formal Education. For any additional information, don’t hesitate to contact:

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