



INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE

# YOUTH WORK THE LESSONS FROM THE CRISIS

Exchange your ideas and your experience with youth workers from all over Europe!

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# OUR MOTIVATION

## LEARNING FROM EACH OTHER

The Corona pandemic is still full on course! While the number of new infections in Europe has dropped and many countries are reducing the restrictions, uncertainty is still the only constant. What we do know, is that the consequences of the crisis are far-reaching in all areas of life and are especially affecting children and young people. At this point, only a vaguely estimate is possible.

Youth work has faced a gigantic challenge in the past months. On the one hand, because the restrictions came very quickly, the situation changed drastically, sometimes even within hours. On the other hand, because the traditional channels for youth work were simply unavailable. With a society in physical isolation, only the digital tools were available: from webinars to online leisure activities, youth work had to rely on the digital world for a continuation of its activities. The flexibility and resilience from everyone in the field have been put on a hard test. On some aspects, the youth work managed remarkably, while on others, there were unexpected limits!

Many questions arise from this perspective: Which lessons have we learnt out of this challenge? How will youth work function after this crisis? Should we just try to go back to how it was before, or will we see a radical transformation of youth work across Europe?

This Conference will bring together about 120 youth workers and experts on the field of youth work in Europe. The crisis is not over yet and we are all still evaluating how to move forward, therefore this is just the right moment to exchange our ideas, our best practices and to discuss how to create a sustainable and modern new path for the youth work in our communities and in Europe beyond this crisis!

# THE PROGRAMME

SOCIAL  
INCLUSION

YOUTH  
UNEMPLOYMENT

MENTAL HEALTH &  
YOUTH WELFARE

DIGITAL  
YOUTH WORK

INTERNATIONAL  
YOUTH WORK

YOUTH WORK &  
SCHOOLS

**Day 1:** Opening & Keynote Speeches

**Day 2:** Workshops & Project Bazar

**Day 3:** Workshops & Presentations

## OUR GOALS

- To provide a platform to **reflect** and **analyse** the ways in which this crisis has affected the lives of children and young people, as well as our work.
- To **discuss** the new challenges that the crisis has created and the way how we can best approach them.
- To **explore** the new possibilities (methods, tools, etc.) that we have developed and/or improved
- To **exchange** best practices examples from methods and projects.
- To **contribute** with your own experience to an improvement of youth work in Europe.
- To provide a space for **networking**.

# TECHNICAL INFORMATION

## Target Group:

This activity is planned for 120 participants from Erasmus+: Youth in Action Programme countries and recommended for Youth workers, Trainers, Youth leaders, Youth project managers, Youth work educators, decision makers in the Youth Sector.

## Accessibility:

This activity and venue place are accessible to people with disabilities.

## Working language(s):

English

## Organiser:

IZ - Verein zur Förderung von Vielfalt, Dialog und Bildung (National Agency) in cooperation with Wienextra – Institute for Leisure Time Pedagogy

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## Cost:

### Participation fee

This project is financed by the participating NAs of the Erasmus+ Youth in Action Programme. The participation fee varies from country to country. Please contact your National Agency or SALTO Resource Centre to learn more about the participation fee for participants from your country.

### Accommodation and food

The hosting National Agencies and SALTO Resource Centres of this offer will organise the accommodation and covers the costs for accommodation and food during the event.

### Travel reimbursement

Please contact your National Agency (NA) or SALTO Resource Centre (SALTO) in order to know whether they would support your travel costs. If yes, after being selected, get in touch with your NA or SALTO again to learn more about the overall procedure to arrange the booking of your travel tickets and the reimbursement of your travel expenses.

# THE VENUE

The training course will take place in Vienna on 28th-30th of September 2020 at JUFA Wien City. [www.jufa.eu/jufa-wien-city/](http://www.jufa.eu/jufa-wien-city/)

## Address

Mautner Markhof-Gasse 50, 1110 Wien

## Accommodation & Meals

You will be accommodated in double rooms at the JUFA Wien City. All meals will take place also in the same location.

Please be aware that no other accommodation or meals can be provided by the organisers outside of the framework of the programme.

# COVID-19 INDICATIONS

The meeting is planned face-to-face, all rules and regulations by the Austrian Authorities are being respected. We will of course monitor the situation and offer guidance depending on changes to the current situation. An overview of everything related to COVID-19 in Austria can be found on the Website of the Austrian Ministry for Social Affairs, Health, Care and Consumer Protection:

[https://www.sozialministerium.at/en/Coronavirus/New-coronavirus-\(COVID-19\).html](https://www.sozialministerium.at/en/Coronavirus/New-coronavirus-(COVID-19).html)