

## “Volunteering Goes Europe” (VGE)

The main aim for this project is to provide more EVS opportunities and ensure quality standards within network of organizations for personal and professional orientation for young people through mobility.

Implementing four activities we are intending to reach the following objectives:

- To share good practices with the organizations we are cooperating with and we will cooperate in future, together revising the EVS charter and promoting the new EVS charter
- To build capacity of the organizations for work with the EVS program, increasing organizational staff competences
- To provide high quality EVS projects for young people with fewer opportunities within Erasmus+ program
- Promote the Erasmus+ Programme and the European Voluntary Service on European level.

Reaching the objectives we want to improve the level of key competences and skills of the staff and young people involved in EVS and strengthen the links between the organizations in the youth field and improving the quality on European Level.

To reach the aims and objectives we designed three main activities:

**Activity.1 – Seminar “Raising the Bar”**

**Activity.2 – Training Course “EvsMOTIONS”**

**Activity.3 – Long term European Voluntary Service “EVS in CGE”**

**Activity.4 – Evaluation Meeting**

Bellow you can find more detailed description for each activity, objectives, dates, venue, number of participants and travel cost allowed per one person. This project is financed by the Erasmus+ program and all costs for food and accommodation are covered.

NOTE – for additional costs which are not covered with the grant for some activities we add participation fee.

### **1. Activity.1 – Seminar “Raising the Bar”**

Venue: Weimar, Germany

Dates: Arrival 12.04.2016 (Start with the activities 13.04.2016) – departure 17.04.2016 (end of the activity 16.04.2016)

Learning is a life-long process and even the most experienced organizations have a need for new/fresh ideas and get recognition for their previous work. Objectives for this activity are:

- To recognize the benefits delivering quality EVS and find solutions for challenges the organizations are facing working with EVS
- To recognize and be able to reach the young people with fewer opportunities;

- To recognize the needs of the organization, local community and the young people with fewer opportunities;
- To learn for Erasmus+ program and share experience with successful projects;
- Match organizational, local and young people needs.

Number of participants: 28

Profile of participants: Youth workers, organization presidents/leaders and staff from NGOs

Participation fee: 45 EUR

	Organization	Number of participants	Travel cost per person
1	CGE Erfurt e.V.	2	N/A
2	Youth in Free Initiative	2	275
3	Centre for Children, Youth and Family	2	275
4	South Europe Youth Forum	2	275
5	IMKA Bitola	2	275
6	Zid	2	275
7	Towarzystwo Wiedzy i Przedsiębiorczosci	2	275
8	Team for Youth Association	2	275
9	Grupa "Hajde da..."	2	275
10	ASOCIACION CULTURAL EUROACCION MURCIA	2	275
11	The Organization for Poverty Alleviation & Development	2	275
12	SISTEM VE JENERASYON DERNEGI	2	360
13	Alþjóðleg ungmennaskipti	2	360

## 2. Activity.2 – Training Course “EvsMOTIONS”

Venue: Serbia

Date: 15.07.2016 – 24.07.2016

Our experience shows that EVS mentors/tutors/facilitators need to have more skills and knowledge to support the volunteers, especially in a context of emotional management and stress relief. This training will be chance to develop their competence, especially in context of - learning to learn – philosophy that will enable them to deliver of better quality support within their future work. Objectives for this activity are:

- To empower mentors/tutors/facilitators to be aware of their own difficult-to-handle fillings that arise during their work with EVS volunteers with fewer opportunities;
- To learn ways to self-assess and develop own emotional competencies
- To introduce the concept of emotional intelligence and its relevance for professional and personal development
- To develop and to integrate the L2L competences from a perspective of emotional management in the work with EVS volunteers
- To develop the self-awareness regarding his/her own limits, character & personality and its impact on the EVS mentoring/facilitating process and learning preferences

Number of participants: 28

Profile of participants: This activity is designed for staff (mentors/tutors/facilitator) from partner organizations who will be directly working with the EVS volunteers for more skills and knowledge how to give support EVS volunteers in a context of emotional management and stress relief.

Participation fee: 35 EUR

	Organization	Number of participants	Travel cost per person
1	CGE Erfurt e.V.	2	N/A
2	Youth in Free Initiative	2	275
3	Centre for Children, Youth and Family	2	275
4	South Europe Youth Forum	2	275
5	IMKA Bitola	2	275
6	Zid	2	275
7	Towarzystwo Wiedzy i Przedsiębiorczosci	2	275
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### Activity.3 – Long term European Voluntary Service “EVS in CGE”

Venue: Erfurt, Germany

Date: 01.06.2016 – 31.05.2017

With aim to promote the future EVS project we will host four volunteers who will promote EVS in Thuringia and Germany.

Objectives are:

- To raise awareness of volunteerism among young people, promoting its values and the benefits
- To increase mobility among long term unemployed people, so they can gain independence and autonomy in their decisions
- To gain practical experience which will increase their chance in the labour market after finishing their voluntary service
- To get young people out of their comfort zone and discover their own potential
- To increase the motivation among the young people to become active in their own development
- To come in contact with new ideas, develop their creativity, experience team work with people from diverse cultures, and improve his/her entrepreneurship skills.

Number of participants: 4

Profile of participants: Young people able to communicate in German language, interested to work with media (video production, press realise, graphic design, web and social network), age 18 – 25.

Please promote the project among the youth in your organization.

Participation fee: N/A

	Host Organization	Number of participants	Travel cost per person
1	CGE Erfurt e.V.	1	275
2	CGE Erfurt e.V.	1	275
3	CGE Erfurt e.V.	1	275
4	CGE Erfurt e.V.	1	275

### Activity.4 – Evaluation Meeting

Venue: Online evaluation

Date: to be designed

The final step of this project is an online evaluation meeting which will serve as an opportunity to evaluate the project in general and deeply understand how the objectives were or were not achieved. It will also serve as an opportunity to plan and create a layout for concepts to be carried out in the future development. This final event will not only evaluate, but also validate the outcome of this project in order to build new projects that include lessons learnt and best practice models.

Number of participants: Open for all involved participants

Profile of participants: Participants form Activity.1, Acitivity.2 and Activity.3

This is draft Info Pack for the project. For each activity to selected participants we will provide detailed Info Pack with all necessary information's. If you have any additional questions or comments feel free to contact us. We created the following Facebook group for fluent communication between the partners and participants, so feel free to join <https://www.facebook.com/groups/566207086869737/>

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