

# GAME OF CULTURES

ACTIVE COMMUNITIES FOR THE INCLUSION OF YOUNG MIGRANTS AND REFUGEES

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## THE TRAINING COURSE

What is "Game of Cultures: Active Communities for the Inclusion of Young Migrants and Refugees"?

"Winter" is coming.

More than a million migrants and refugees crossed into Europe in 2015, sparking a crisis as countries struggle to cope with the influx, and creating division in the EU over how best to deal with resettling and including people.

We feel that working in the intercultural competences of local communities throughout Europe is a key element for a healthier relationship between all parties and a better Europe towards the future, therefore an international team of trainers and partners prepared a training course very focused on intercultural learning in the field of youth and alternative approaches towards it. Taking different points of view (arriving and hosting) to the situations and possible conflicts, we will be exploring and using different tools that youth workers can use when organizing activities related to cultural diversity, but also giving space for discussion and theoretical considerations.

This context gave birth to "Game of Cultures: Active Communities for the Inclusion of Young Migrants and Refugees". It is an international 8 days training course that will host 30 participants from 10 countries (Portugal, Cyprus, Czech Republic, Sweden, Italy, UK, Germany, Spain, Romania and Greece).

## AIM AND OBJECTIVES

The main aim of this TC is to support, empower and develop the competences of youth workers so that they can act on their local youth communities in order to create multiplier agents, promoting and encouraging intercultural dialogue in their local communities in order to enhance its openness to the inclusion of migrants and refugees.

## The main objectives are:

- To reflect on the current European and National realities concerning the flux of migrants and refugees and their inclusion;
- To learn and develop knowledge, competences and tools to work on diversity, intercultural learning and intercultural dialogue;
- To create awareness about the importance that influence of culture has on persons' behaviour and identity;
- To raise awareness on the cultural differences between different European countries and to what extent this impacts the inclusion/exclusion of migrants and refugees in different societies:
- To explore the potential of young people as actors of inclusion and change on a local level, by developing tools, activities and sustainable strategies;
- To share good practices related to youth work, inclusion and active participation
- To acknowledge the Erasmus+ Programme as a tool for intercultural learning, Youth Work and inclusion:
- To develop an informal network of youth workers and youth leaders tackling the Refugee Crisis and promoting follow up projects and initiatives.

# WHEN AND WHERE

Arrival day: 10 January 2017 Departure day: 18 January 2017

The training course will take place in Portugal - Cascais, a coastal town 30 Km west of the capital Lisbon.

The venue will be at Hotel Estoril Eden. It's a 4\* hotel in front of the sea, with all the facilities needed to implement our training activities. Participants will be accommodated in triple rooms.

Check the hotel here: www.hotelestorileden.pt

Check the region here: www.visitcascais.com









## PROFILE OF PARTICIPANTS

- Highly motivated youth agents involved in third sector organizations and/or inclusion projects;
- Able to work and communicate in English;
- Available to participate in the whole training;
- Able to use the acquired skills in future activities and willing to act as multiplier in their local communities upon their return home;
- More than 18 years old.

This training course will involve 30 participants from: Portugal, Cyprus, Czech Republic, Sweden, Italy, UK, Germany, Spain, Romania and Greece.

# THE STAFF TEAM

This training course will be facilitated by an experienced team of international trainers:

- Rodrigo Vilarinho (Portugal/Sweden)(www.salto-youth.net/tools/toy/rodrigo-vilarinho.1183/)
- Saro Rossi (Italy)(www.salto-youth.net/tools/toy/rosario-rossi.570/)

Pedagogical and logistic support will be offered by the team of Associação Animam Viventem | Vida+Viva



## COSTS

This project has been funded with the support of the Youth in Action Programme – Erasmus+

## ACCOMMODATION AND MEALS:

Will be fully covered by the project.

#### TRAVEL COSTS:

Participants are required to book their flight tickets on their own or with support of sending organizations. The travel costs will be reimbursed after the end of the TC, when all the original tickets and receipts are presented. This might take up to 4 weeks (counting only from the day we get the tickets).

Travel costs for each participant will be reimbursed according to travel distance band unit costs of Erasmus+ Programme, and until the limits established below. Possible extra costs should be covered by the participants themselves.

Portugal (0 - 99Km): 0€

Portugal (100 - 499Km): 180€

Spain (500 - 1999Km): 275€

Italy, Czech Republic, UK, Germany, Romania, Greece (2000 - 2999Km): 360€

Sweden, Cyprus (3000 - 3999Km): 530€

#### PARTICIPATION FEE:

This training course has a participation fee of 50€.

## **APPLICATIONS**

Participants interested in attending the training course should fill in the application form until 23rd September 2016, available at the following link: https://goo.gl/forms/471yvg56yCSQ85L63

For any question related to "Game of Cultures" Training Course, please contact:

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