



**CALL FOR PARTICIPANTS
INTERNATIONAL TRAINING COURSE**

***“Marginalization and Ostacism of the Minorities in the past
and today”***

Human Library



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15 -21 October 2017

Venue: Struga, Macedonia

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Context of the training

Knowledge of the history of Europe is necessary to be able to interpret the different perceptions of current events. The knowledge that the citizens should acquire in order to be aware of a relationship between current events and processes in the past is not primarily based on simple facts and dates but also on a knowledge of basic structures, the economic and social situation, and political systems.

In many totalitarian countries minorities were not considered of the perfect race, or did not fit into the ideology of the totalitarian societies. The Roma were seen by the Nazis as being inferior, they were not as good a human being as the superior race and in October 1939 all Roma were ordered to be sent to concentration camps. During this period, Roma were subjected to genocide and totally denied of their civil rights. All these years, it was not spoken much about the Roma and Sinti Holocaust during the World War II. Discrimination against them and violation of their rights are still prevalent in today's Europe.

This training gives general input to Human Rights and Holocaust Education with an accent to Roma and Sinti Holocaust as it is not very well known. The idea with this project is to learn how to encourage young people to implement European values and opportunities with active role and different approach in dealing with prejudice, to learn how to show youth that they are part of European culture and that they can create future society based on democracy.

Methodology

The methodology is based on NFE methods: using manuals such as COMPASS (new edition), T-Kit-Social Inclusion etc. groups work, brainstorming, wall writing, association game, discussion, fish bowl, debate, case studies, drama, role playing, simulation, audiovisual techniques and Living Library method.

The purpose of the Living Library is enabling short, intensive and facilitated contact between Readers and Books. In the case of our exchange first of all the readers and book will be the participants among them selves, and one day, they will be the books and the readers will be the local community.

The project gives a high priority to youth participation from the preparatory to the evaluation process, in particular that the participants can shape the program based on their own needs and interests.

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Aim and Objectives

*The **aim of the training** is to raise awareness about the Holocaust Education with an accent to Roma Holocaust stimulating the critical thinking and debate of young people, their reflection and understanding of history and antigipsysm*

To reach the general aim of the TC, the objectives are:

- To raise the awareness of Roma Holocaust and Antigipsysm and their negative consequences to Roma young people that led them to social exclusion;
- To develop the skills of youth leaders and multipliers to apply Living Library as non formal educational method in their work with young people;
- To exchange and share realities about the marginalization and social exclusion faced by Roma young people from different European countries;
- To promote tolerance and respect for human rights

PROFILE OF THE PARTICIPANTS

Present will be Roma and non-Roma youth leaders, activists, multipliers, and volunteers who are working with young and/or Roma youth.

Participants must also:

- be familiar with the situation and challenges of the Roma community in their country
- be motivated to develop their competences in advocacy, anti-discrimination work, human rights and to share their experiences with other participants
- be aged 18 –
- be committed to attend for the full duration of the course
- be able to work in English
- be resident in one of the European countries, Albania, Serbia and Bosnia and Herzegovina.

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Costs and Accommodation

There is no participation fee. The organizers cover the costs for accommodation, board and any program-related costs. Travel costs are reimbursed during the seminar or afterwards by bank transfer based on a fully presented travel reimbursement claim (flight bookings, boarding tickets, invoices, bus/train tickets), based on the cheapest means and up to a certain amount:

- Western Europe max. 250 Euro,
- Central and Eastern Europe max 200 €;
- Albania and Serbia max 60 eur; Bosnia and Herzegovina max 90 eur.

for questions contact the organizers.

The accommodation is going to be in [Hotel Ambient](#) in Struga, Macedonia.

Application procedure

All interested applicants must to fill out the online [Application form](#) until 08 th September 2017. The results will be announced up to 12th September 2017. All the applicants will receive an answer to the application

If you have question related to the training course please feel free to contact us on: info.marandost@gmail.com

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