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"Key platform to Non-formal education"

Training Course for youth workers & youth leader

Date: 12/06/2014-22/06/2014
(9 days of activities)

Venue: Lefkas, Greece

34 participants from 25 youth organisations from 15 countries, from Europe, Eastern Europe and from Caucasus

Countries: EU+ Eastern Europe and Caucasus

Working language: English

Summary:

E-learning or on-line training course is a training technique which is based on the adjustment and supplying of pedagogical contents through an electronic means. The notion of e-learning comprises all tools, applications and the entirety of contents which are offered to a learner towards the end of his/her pedagogical training. Nowadays, the creation of Web 2.0, e-learning has developed and changed from a data storage space into a frame offering knowledge packs to the learner, becoming a tool centered on the efficiency of some knowledge and the socially constructed understanding & use of it. Thus, the learners (with or without trainers/educators) can take part in the process of improvement of the content of the knowledge and know-how offered. The learners explore them, but they may also reshuffle them, reconstruct them, discuss them through the social media-networks, and translate them in foreign languages.



In spite of the advantages and the educational value of e-learning and despite the importance of young people's educators' role and of the member of an organization involved in informal education, who contribute to enhancing the values, competences and attitudes of the young, e-learning in favor of the informal education agents has not yet developed.

Nowadays in a context of swift development of our societies in terms of digital culture, with a view to ensure chance equality for the informal education agents (so that they can be trained and enriched in an equitable and sustained fashion) as well as to improve their functions, initiatives & interventions, we deem an urgent need to put our educational methods up to date in the field of informal education and to universalize and make available (or: share) our knowledge taking advantage of e-learning technologies.

Within this frame, we wish to organize a training course in favor of 32 youth leaders and youth workers coming from 15 European countries (from the E.U., the Eastern Europe and the Caucasus) with a view to help them exchange their experiences and good practices and develop their competences about no-formal education of young people through the new technologies. During the course, the participants will piece together and develop a On line platform promoting the no-formal education centered on the Web in the interest of the youth leaders and youth workers, by taking advantage of the existing learning platform based on the Web, called "Moodle". The platform for non-formal learning which we wish to create relies on the contribution of social constructivism in the Internet pedagogy and helps to form some communities which will look into the pedagogical contents and activities. It will also allow them to create both an on-line learning environment and interactions, through the net, among the actors of non-formal education (youth workers, youth leaders and pedagogues).



Aims and objectives:

The basic aims of this TC course is to offer participants opportunity to acquire new knowledge, skills and competences of using modern learning and teaching online technologies based on well-known and confirmed theories of learning in the processes of planning, organizing, implementing and evaluating learning processes in non-formal learning activities. Also, the aim of the TC is to encourage participants to use modern technologies and its advantages in their non-formal learning activities and youth work in general. The more specific aims are to provide participants space to share their experiences and views of using online technologies in youth work, - its advantages and disadvantages; to commonly work with help of trainers and facilitators in developing example of online course using well-known web application "Moodle" and its various learning modules; and to develop their own e-learning platforms for the purposes of their own youth projects.

Through our training, we wish to achieve the following objectives:

- 1 - To Allow youth workers and youth leaders from different European countries, Eastern Europe and the Caucasus, to share their experiences and acquire skills in non-formal education field by using newest technologies in order to allow them to play a crucial role in educating young people more easy and efficient.
- 2 - To develop new skills and competences of the youth workers and youth leaders, by using modern learning and teaching online technologies in order to educate young people.
- 3 - To develop example of online course using well-known web application like "Moodle" and its various learning modules.
- 4 - To awareness participants (youth leaders and youth workers) to the opportunities and challenges of e-learning, and to give them a better



understanding of the role that they can play in the future non-formal education, in their professional lives and in their careers.

5 - To develop their own e-learning platforms for the purposes of their own youth projects.

6 - To develop cooperation with our European partners, Eastern Europe and the Caucasus for the education of youth on an online platform.

Participant's profile:

Participants: Youth workers, youth leaders, youth project manager, young people who have a good experience in non-formal education for youth.

(There is no age limit for participation).

1 or 2 participants from each partner organization.

Arrival day: 12.06.2014

Departure day: 22.06.2014

Venue:

Our training course will take place in Lefkada. The island of Lefkada, also called Lefkas, is the fourth largest island of the Ionian Islands, after Zakynthos, Kefalonia and Corfu. It has an area of 303 square kilometres, a coastline of 117 kilometres and a population of about 23.000 inhabitants. Lefkada is an island with a wide spiritual tradition and it's situated 378 km from Athens.

Discover the emerald island at: www.lefkada.gr



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Partners:

Country	Organization	Participants
Austria	Gain&sustain:europa	01
France	Pistes Solidaires	01
France	AMSED	01
Portugal	Rato - Associação para a Divulgação Cultural e Científica	01
Greece	Kinisi Ethelonton Service Civil International-Hellas	01
Latvia	Express yourself	01
Latvia	Language and Cultural Centre "World at Our Home	01
Spain	Grupo de Desarrollo rural Valle del Guadalhorce	01
Greece	Non formal group of Thasos "forward it"	01
Italy	Work in Progress	01
Italy	Associazione Diagonal Italia	01
Slovenia	Youth Centre Medvode	01
Romania	Asociatia de Tineri din Ardeal	01
Austria	Gain&sustain:Europe	01
Czech Republic	Cultura Africa, o.s.	01
Belarus	League of Youth Voluntary Service	02
Belarus	Office for Initiatives Promotion	01
Belarus	International Charitable Organization UNIHHELP	01
Moldova	"Millenium" Training and Development Institute	02
Moldova	Association of International Volunteering from Moldova	01



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Moldova	Asociatia pentru Sustinerea Initiativelor Studentilor si Tinerilor	01
Georgia	Regional Association of Youth Initiatives	01
Georgia	SIQA – Georgian Association of Educational Initiatives	01
Georgia	Georgian Youth for Europe	01
Georgia	National Council of Youth Organizations of Georgia	01
Armenia	Stepanavan Youth Center	01
Armenia	Youth Initiative Centre	02
Ukraine	Mosaica	01
Greece	Solidarity Tracks Organisation	02

Accommodation and food:

We will be hosted at NIRIKOS Hotel which is in the centre of the city at the seaside very close to cafes, bars, clubs, restaurants, shops, internet café etc.

<http://www.nirikos.gr/>



We will sleep in rooms of 2 or 3 beds with bathroom, television, fridge in each bedroom. (The Internet connection is only in the lobby and in the bar.

In the same hotel we will take our meals. You will taste typical Greek and lefkadian plates and other European food.

If you have some special needs for food (vegetarian etc.), please, inform us about it beforehand. We can provide you with just **“with/without meat”** vegetarian food.

Our **working place** will be in Ionian Star Hotel. 3 minutes walking from the hotel.



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Insurance: Each participant is responsible about its insurance

Transportation:

How to arrive to Lefkas:

When you arrive to Athens El. Venizelos Airport you have to take the city bus **X93** to the **bus station Kifissos**, it will take about 60 min and the ticket costs about 5 €. There you have to take the bus to Lefkas which takes 5,5 hours and costs 34 €. We will wait you at the bus station in Lefkas. Pay attention that there are only 4 buses from Athens to Lefkas (At 7:00, 13:00, 16:30 and 20:30) so please organise your flight so as to arrive early in Athens and catch a bus to Lefkas.

Is possible also to buy for your participants the tickets and you will give as the participation fee of your participants in cash when they came here.

Very important is that you **KEEP ALL THE BILLS, TICKETS AND BOARDING PASSES** from your travel, and **to send your boarding pass of your return trip**, when you be back home

Participation Fee:

- 100% of accommodation and basic food, 100% of activities fee, and 70% of your travel cost are covered by the project (The costs of taxis and private car are not reimbursable).



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You have to pay 30% of your travel cost and 30 Euros participation fee.
You will get DVD with photos, videos and the content of our TC, and a copy of magazine that we will create together.

How you prepare your self for this training:

Each partner should prepare:

1- To prepare presentation about "how e-learning is used for education in your country."

2- To prepare survey targeting youth leaders, youth workers and members of organizations, showing their opinions and expectations from e-learning platform (for open learning online) for people active in non-formal education.

3- To bring pedagogical tools that you created or that you have used for your work, in order to use it during the formulation of the modules of our E- platform.

4- To bring National/typical food and drinks for the intercultural evening (songs, dances, national costumes, music etc.)

5- Information about your organisation (books, brochures, posters, postcards, video, PowerPoint presentation, etc.)

During our training course we will learn how to use E-learning platform in the field of non-formal education for youth and to create own E-learning platform together.

Useful Greek Words:

ENGLISH	Greek
Hello	γεια σας! (Yia sas)
Welcome!	Καλώς ορίσατε! (Kalos Orisate)
My name is...	Ονομάζομαι... (Onomazome)



Thank you!	ευχαριστώ! (Enkaristo)
I need help.	Χρειάζομαι βοήθεια. (khriazome voithia)
I'm sorry, I don't speak Greek	Λυπάμαι, δεν μιλάω ελληνικά (Lipame, then millaw Ellinika)
Do you speak German/English?	Μιλάτε Γερμανικά / αγγλικά; (Millate yermanika, anglika)
Excuse me?	Συγνώμη; (Signomi)
Yes	Ναι (Ne)
No	Όχι (Okhi)
Maybe	Ίσως (Isos)
I don't know	Δεν ξέρω (Then ksero)
I love you !	σ' αγαπώ (Sagappo)
Goodbye !	Αντίο (Adio)

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