LOOKING FOR MOTIVATED PARTICIPANTS FOR:

FOURTH SECTOR

THE ACTIVISM OF 21ST CENTURY - E+ TC

TARANTO, ITALY - 20/29 November 2021

DO YOU WANT TO EQUIP YOUNG PEOPLE WITH THE NECESSARY RESOURCES TO BECOME **ACTIVE CITIZENS**, AGENTS OF **SOLIDARITY** AND MAKE POSITIVE CHANGE INSPIRED BY EU VALUES AND EUROPEAN **IDENTITY**?

AIM OF THE TC

THE AIM OF THE TC IS TO EQUIP YOUTH WORKERS AND THROUGH THEM TO **EMPOWER YOUNG ACTIVISTS** WHO ARE NOT PART OF ANY FORMAL ORGANIZATION AS INDIVIDUALS AND AS A NETWORK, BY:

- RECOGNIZING THEIR WORK;
- INTRODUCING THE TERM OF "4TH SECTOR ACTIVISM";
- INCREASING THEIR **SELF-AWARENESS AS AN ACTIVIST AND AS A PERSON** (ON UNIQUE STRENGTHS, IMPACT, AREAS OF DEVELOPMENT, BLOCKAGES, ETC.);
- INTRODUCING THE TOOLS OF **DIGITAL STORYTELLING** IN ORDER TO INCREASE THE VISIBILITY OF THEIR WORK AND TO INCREASE THEIR REACH TO OTHER ACTIVISTS;
- DEVELOPING THEIR **COOPERATION SKILLS AND WIN-WIN ATTITUDES** NEEDED FOR ESTABLISHING AND MAINTAINING SUCCESSFUL AND HEALTHY PARTNERSHIPS WITH OTHER ACTIVISTS.

DURING TC PARTICIPANTS WILL EXPERIENCE AN INTENSIVE THEORETICAL AND PRACTICAL LEARNING PROCESS. THE WORKSHOPS ENHANCE NOT ONLY ALLY BUILDING AND LEADERSHIP SKILLS BUT ALSO DIGITAL MEDIA LITERACY. IT WILL GIVE PEOPLE A VOICE THAT ENABLES THEM TO ENGAGE AND COMMUNICATE IN A NEW WAY. PARTICIPANTS WILL HAVE A CHANCE TO EXPERIENCE THESE BENEFITS FOR THEIR OWN DEVELOPMENT AND LEARN HOW TO PROVIDE SIMILAR EXPERIENCE TO YOUNG PEOPLE THEY WORK WITH.

OBJECTIVES

MAIN OBJECTIVES ARE:

- TO SUPPORT THE PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT OF YOUTH WORKERS AND IMPROVE THE QUALITY OF YOUTH WORK ACROSS EUROPE THROUGH INNOVATION;
- TO SHARE METHODS, TOOLS AND ACTIVITIES OF 4TH SECTOR ACTIVISM AND EXPLORE INNOVATIVE FORMS OF COLLABORATION;
- TO ENABLE YOUNG PEOPLE TO BE ARCHITECTS OF THEIR OWN LIVES, SUPPORT THEIR PERSONAL DEVELOPMENT AND GROWTH TO AUTONOMY, BUILD THEIR **RESILIENCE** AND EQUIP THEM WITH LIFE SKILLS TO COPE WITH A CHANGING WORLD;
- TO INCREASE THE CAPACITIES AND INTERNATIONAL DIMENSION OF THE PARTNERS AND ENABLE THEM TO OFFER SERVICES THAT BETTER RESPOND TO THE NEEDS OF THEIR TARGET GROUPS;
- TO BRING TO THEIR OWN ORGANIZATIONS NEW IDEAS AND TOOLS THAT CAN BE USED TO DEVELOP INNOVATIVE ACTIVITIES AND REACH NEW GROUPS OR IMPROVE EXISTING PROGRAMS.

PARTICIPANTS

WE ARE LOOKING FOR ACTIVELY ENGAGED PARTICIPANTS WILLING TO DO DEEP WORK AND COMMIT TO MAKING CHANGE IN THEIR LIVES AND THOSE AROUND THEM. WE ARE TARGETING PEOPLE AGED 18+, YOUTH WORKERS, SOCIAL WORKERS, EDUCATORS, TRAINERS, FACILITATORS AND VOLUNTEERS, WHO ARE ACTIVE IN THEIR ORGANISATIONS IN THE FIELD OF YOUTH WORK.

IF YOU ARE ROOTED IN YOUR COMMUNITY AND SEE YOUR POSSIBILITY TO MAKE A DIFFERENCE AND YOU ARE WILLING TO BRING MORE EMPATHY AND COMPASSION INTO THE COMMUNITY PRACTICES, WELCOME ABOARD!

OPEN TO PARTICIPANTS FROM: BULGARIA (3), CZECH REPUBLIC (3), ESTONIA (3), FRANCE (2), GERMANY (2), GREECE (3), ITALY (3), NORTH MACEDONIA (3), POLAND (3), ROMANIA (3).

METHODOLOGY

THROUGH NON-FORMAL EDUCATION, PEER-TO-PEER LEARNING, SELF-DIRECTED LEARNING, EXPERIENTIAL LEARNING BASED ON KOLB CYCLE AND HOLISTIC LEARNING. STORY-TELLING, ARTS, THEATRE, BODY MOVEMENT, WAY OF COUNCIL, VIDEO PRODUCTION, GROUP & TEAM WORK, FEEDBACK, REFLECTION GROUPS, JOURNALING, SELF-AWARENESS, OPEN SPACE, WE WILL JOURNEY INTO PERSONAL STORIES AND EXPERIENCES, LEARN FROM EACH OTHER AND CREATE A SHARED UNDERSTANDING OF WHAT IS NECESSARY TO BECOME ACTIVE CITIZENS, AGENTS OF SOLIDARITY AND MAKE POSITIVE CHANGE.

WHAT TO EXPECT

The training course will take place in Taranto, ancient capital of the Great Greece, in Apulia, South Italy.
The closest airports are in Bari and Brindisi. From both you can take direct bus to Taranto (1 h more or less) or train.
You are kindly asked to arrive on 20/11, before 6 pm, so we can have dinner togheter and offer the 1st session, with icebreakers and name games to get to know each others.
On 27/11 the town hosts the Taranto Pride, that is part of the program, with some tasks tasks for you.
The departure day is 29/11. Italian National Agency allows to arrive 1 day before of the arrival day and to leave 1 day after the departure day.

CONDITIONS OF PARTICIPATION

Full participation from evening 20 to morning 29 is necessary to be elegible for the reimbursement of travel.
Food and accomodation from 20 evening to 29 morning and travel (within specific limit) are covered by the E+ Program.
You are in charge of arranging your own insurance (health, accident, liability). European Health Card is enough.
Participants are asked to disseminate the results among their colleagues and local communities.

TRAVEL COSTS

FOLLOWING THE RULES OF ERASMUS+, THE COSTS OF YOUR TRAVEL ARE COVERED UP TO 275 EURO FOR PARTICIPANTS FROM BULGARIA, CZECH REPUBLIC, FRANCE, GERMANY, GREECE, NORTH MACEDONIA, POLAND, ROMANIA; UP TO 360 EURO FOR PARTICIPANTS FROM ESTONIA. THERE IS NO REIMBOURSEMENT FOR ITALIAN PAX.
WE NEED TO COLLECT ALL YOUR TICKETS AND INVOICES FOR YOUR REIMBOURSEMENT.
PLEASE, DON'T THROW ANYTHING AWAY!

APPLICATION FORM

IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO JOIN THIS TRAINING COURSE, SUBMIT YOUR APPLICATION AVAILABLE HERE:

https://hermesacademy.blogspot.com/2020/03/fourth-sector-tc-open-call.html

CONTACT

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