

INTO THE NET

Information and Communications Technology in European Youth Work

Project date: 31.01.2015 - 07.02.2015
(inclusive travel days)

Arrival:

We will **pick you up at the airport** in valencia and go with yo together to the hostel were we meet with the rest of the participants.

Accomodation:

You will probably stay in "**the River Hostel**" (www.riverhostelvalencia.com) in **València** or in the home hostel (www.homehostelsvalencia.com). The hostels are situated in the city-center.

Meals:

All meals and drinks during the exchange week are paid by the funding. Just "extras", like in the night time or coffee, have to be paid by your own.

Please let us know any **food-allergies** or if you are **vegetarian** or **vegan**, so we can arrange accordingly.

We will have **lunch** all together in the place where the workshop is hold.

Breakfast and **dinner** will be served in the Hostel.

Where will we work, exchange, try out, ... ?

The workshop will be hold in the rooms of **QUARTJOVE** (<http://quartjove.quartdepoblet.es>) and the **Espai de Creació Jove** (<http://espaisdecreacio.quartdepoblet.es>) in **Quart de Poblet** (a town 20min far from valencia). We will go there daily with the metro.

Timetable and activities:

We will send all of you a detailed **timetable** some weeks before the exchange, because some visits and program-points will surely shift and change until end the of the year.

But sure is that the workshop, visits, activities, explorations, ... will be **daily** from **10:00 to 14:00**. Then we will continue from **ca. 16:00 to ca. 20:00**.

All with small breaks and **flexibility to decide together about our use of time**.

Sure is also that there will be a **free-day to explore the city, rest, ...** .

The training course won't be a class with teachers in the classical sense.

We want to exchange, explore, try out and learn from each other.

Sure there will be a framework and planed activities or visits, but the focus will be on collective, informal learning experiences and exchange of methods, tecnics and knowledge.

Participants:

The age doesn't really matter, because this training course is designed for **people active in youth-work, youth-organisations, artistic work with youngsters, ...**, so everybody between **18 and open end** is welcome.

2 participants of each country or organisation will take part in the training course.

We only expect that participants are motivated and interested in intercultural exchange, working in groups, informal and collective learning processes and the combination of youth-work and its relation to information and communication technology.

During the project we will provide the participants with maps, metro-tickets, contact numbers, ... and all necessary to have a nice time in Valencia.

Travel-Costs:

The reimbursement of the travel-cost will happen at the beginning of the project in Valencia.

For this we need the e-ticket (payment certificate) and the boarding-passes. If you check-in or buy the tickets online, it would be great if you can send us the depending pdf-documents before arriving here.

The max. Travel-grants are:

Austria, Croatia, Germany - 275€ per person.

Cyprus, Slovakia - 360€ per person.

With this you can pay the flights, but also the train, metro, car to get to the airport.

All cost exceeding the grant have to be paid by the participants or organisations.

The participating organisations are:

KOMMA - Jugend und Kultur, Esslingen, Germany.

Multikulturelles Netzwerk, Vienna, Austria.

Learning Center Youth, Limassol, Cyprus.

STEP - society for territorial progress, Hámre, Slovakia.

Associació Casa de Joventut, Aielo de Malferit, Spain.

UDRUGA MLADIH PHARINA, Hvar, Croatia.

If there are still questions or uncertainties, please feel free to ask anytime.

We are looking forward to welcome you in València.

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The training course "INTO THE NET - Information and Communications Technology in European Youth Work" is developed for and from professionals who work in the field of social pedagogy with young people of different associations and institutions. During one week we will stimulate and widen the participants competences in the use of ICT to improve their daily work in the sector of youth work.

The development of ICT skills (creation of blogs, web-sites, viral videos, etc.) establish the youth workers possibility to stimulate a wide range of personal, social and intercultural competences among the youngsters which can be an essential factor in their professional potential and life. It also gives the chance to work about participation in democratic processes and the empowerment of young people in risk of social exclusion. The use of ICT provides possibilities to express, learn, share, exchange and discuss opinions about social, ecological, cultural or political topics concerning the European Union and all European society.

During the eight days of the training course we will realize activities, exercises, experiments and group-works, whose aim is to promote and create abilities and competences in the field of Information and Communications Technologies among the participating youth workers: technical skills, mass media as an instrument of pedagogical work with children and adolescents, communication technology like smartphones and social networks, organization, planning and financing of educational and pedagogical projects focused on the use of ICT or in which the application of ICT as a tool of work is implied.

In this week we will create a platform of youth workers from different countries to learn, explore and exchange about the use of ICT in our organisations, which will be the workplaces where we exercise all skills and new methods learned during the training. This platform will convert in a really useful tool, not only to exchange experiences and learn together, but also to build a European network of youth workers who will keep contact after this project to assure the diffusion of its results and the possibility to plan and execute future cooperation-projects.

In a world where youngsters often are more skilled in the use of ICT than persons of other generations, the study of competences referring information and communication technologies have to be an important part of youth-workers formation.

This course teaches pedagogical abilities to execute projects with young people using the skills and competences they possess as a tool of empowerment. Furthermore we will use the ICT to promote the establishment of relations between different European youth groups rising in this manner the awareness of their European citizenship.

One important focus of the training week is the development of competences and skills in the application of new information technologies. So the participating professionals can convey this ICT-knowledge to the youngsters to improve their professional possibilities and that they have the chance to create own projects and acquire important competences for the working world. The knowledge about ICT not just stimulates personal and participating competences, it is also an essential medium for an efficient search for employment in the European job market using digital platforms and tools in the internet.

The training will contribute to the personal development of the participants, the exchange of good practice and the establishment of new connections throughout Europe.