Dear participants,

We are glad to welcome you to the Training Course “Empowering Youth Entrepreneurship through Capacity-building Activities and Networking” and we are looking forward to meet you in Durrës very soon. Please, read all the provided information carefully and don’t hesitate to contact us with anything related to your participation in the project.

About the organizer

European Youth Association (EYA) is a non-profit and non-governmental organization that works on youth initiatives development and realization of innovative Projects. Our national activities are based on non-formal education. We arrange workshops and some other activities for the youth in the local community. Our staff is experts in the youth field and some of them have a long history in international work within the youth in action project.

Main purpose of the association is to represent and protect the rights and interests of young people, regardless of ethnicity, political beliefs, race and gender.

Promoting youth leadership, social engagement, and political awareness among the Albanian society for their involvement in decision-making processes.

The association will be the voice of youth and an entity open, free and democratic, where young people can join together and decide in accordance with the laws, within a spirit of liberality, and rules set for them, on any matter which they consider of interest to society.

The association will take initiatives for education, training, and awareness of young people, to cultural issues, political, economic, social, environmental, sports, which are in aid of youth emancipation and progress and its European mentality.

About the project

The project ‘Empowering Youth Entrepreneurship through Capacity-building Activities and Networking’ will last 9 months (1.9.2016 - 31.5.2017) and it will consist on two mobility activities: a training course that would be implemented in Albania and that will bring together organizations and their representatives with strong interest in entrepreneurship and a second training course...
implemented in Prizren, Kosovo, in which young leaders with great entrepreneurial ideas will be trained to develop their business plans.

Overall goal of the capacity building project “EYE CAN” is empowering youth entrepreneurship by raising capacities of youth organizations in the field of entrepreneurship and to support youngsters in realizing their entrepreneurial ideas.

Beneficiaries of the project:
1. Participants will:
   - Develop a set of new competencies that they can apply at their daily practices and use them for their personal and professional growth;
   - Gain deeper knowledge of Erasmus + Programme;
   - Become more familiar with the situation in other participants countries and develop cultural sensitivity in an international network;
   - Be trained through two strategic entrepreneurial tools: the Startup Mentorship Programme (SMP) and the Business Model Canvas (BMC).
2. Participating organizations will:
   - Gain new contacts for the future;
   - Raise their capacities and competencies;
   - Benefit in terms of future development of their capacities in the entrepreneurship field.
3. Target groups at a local, national and regional level
   We strongly believe that this project will have a strong impact at both target groups of the project: Youth Workers as target group of the first mobility activity and Young Leaders as target group of the second mobility activity.

Objectives

- To connect various youth organizations focused on youth entrepreneurship and provide them an opportunity to network and create new partnerships and base for potential long-term collaboration that can lead to increasing the quality of their services and activities;
- To strengthen the competencies of the representatives of the NGOs and capacities of their organizations to effectively their work with youth leaders on fostering youth entrepreneurship using the methodology of Startup Mentorship Programme;
- To support developing entrepreneurial ideas through the Business Model Canvas to achieve the goal of running new businesses as a tool of fighting youth unemployment;
- To create space for sharing knowledge and exchanging experiences & good practices in the field of entrepreneurial learning among non-formal and formal educators;
- To stimulate the concept of international and cross-sectoral cooperation in the field of entrepreneurial learning.
Target group

Participants will be youth workers and youth leaders from Albania, Latvia, Kosovo, Bulgaria, Romania, Italy, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Turkey, Serbia and Macedonia. Each partner will select the participants according to the following criteria:

The participants should be:

- Youth workers, who are active in the youth entrepreneurship field and see a need in improving their competences ( TC1);
- Youth workers, who are supporting young entrepreneurs in their local community on developing project ideas ( TC1);
- Young leaders with great entrepreneurial ideas aiming on developing a business plan and improving their business skills ( TC2);
- Involved in the youth entrepreneurial community of startup events, accelerators programs and incubators ( TC1&2);
- Strong motivation to strengthen their knowledge on entrepreneurship and Erasmus + Programme possibilities and work on development of new ideas that would lead to new projects, enterprises or activities empowering young people ( TC1&2);
- Interest to take part in non-formal base activities and are open to work in multicultural environment ( TC1&2)

Selection will be done through creating an application for participants that will include description of their previous experiences and personal motivation to improve as a youth worker/young leader. The participant’s age range will be 18-30.

Finances

Accommodation, food and activities will be fully covered. Travel costs will be reimbursed via bank transfer after the main activity on condition that participants have participated in all activities, has used the cheapest way of transport and submitted all original travel documents and invoices. Taxi and first class tickets will not be reimbursed.

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IMPORTANT: PLEASE KEEP ALL YOUR ORIGINAL TRAVEL INVOICES AND BOARDING PASSES.

ARRIVAL DAY WILL BE 20 OF NOVEMBER AND DEPARTURE DAY 27 OF DECEMBER.

FOLLOWING THE GUIDE LINES OF THE ERASMUS + PROGRAMME THE TRAVEL TO DURRES AND BACK TO YOUR COUNTRIES MUST BE REALIZED BY THE PARTICIPANTS ON DIRECT WAY WITHIN MAXIMUM 2 DAYS BEFORE OR AFTER THE PROJECT.

IN CASE OF LONGER STAYS OR INDIRECT TRAVELLING (HOLIDAY TRAVEL ETC.) THERE IS NO CHANCE OF REIMBURSEMENT OF TRAVEL COSTS. PLEASE NOTE IF YOU BOUGHT YOUR TICKET IN YOUR LOCAL CURRENCY WHICH MIGHT BE DIFFERENT THAN EURO, WE WILL CALCULATE YOUR TRAVEL COSTS ACCORDING TO THE EXCHANGE RATES.

Accommodation

Coming Soon…

How to get there:

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Food

The provided food (3 meals a day) may differ from the food you are used to from home. However, we will try our best to accommodate your needs and dietary requirements. Please make sure, you indicate any special needs in the application form!

What to bring

- Printed materials to represent your organization and/or projects
- PASSPORT and a copy to leave with the organizers
- Information about the level of youth entrepreneurship in your home country
- Some traditional food/drinks to share during the Training Course
- Good Mood

The local currency is the LEK, 1 EUR = 137 Lek
Some examples of local prices:
A coffee: 0.5 - 0.7 €
Bottle of water: 0.5 – 0.7 €
A beer: 1 - 1.5 €
A piece of bread in a bakery: 0.5 – 0.7 €

If you have any questions concerning your participation or need additional information, please feel free to contact us anytime!!!

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SEE YOU SOON!