

Introduction:

YOUTHPASS is the result of an initiative by the European Commission which takes place in the framework of the European strategy for the validation and recognition of informal learning in the context of the Youth in Action Programme.

Currently, there is a work for the future Youthpass, to be integrated into other initiatives such as Europass European level or other European programs in the context of the EUROPEAN CITIZENSHIP.

YOUTHPASS is part of the strategy of the European Commission to encourage the recognition of non-formal learning as a tool to visualize and validate the learning outcomes achieved in the projects under the Youth in Action Programme, implementing European policies and practice in politics:

- By creating your Youthpass (with a support person) youth project participants from the Youth in Action Programme are able to describe what they have done in your project and which skills are acquired. Therefore, Youthpass supports the reflection on the personal process of informal learning.
- Documenting the value of a Youth in Action project, Youthpass displays and supports active European citizenship of young people and young workers, as a validation instrument at European level for non-formal learning in youth,
- Youthpass contributes to strengthening the social recognition of youth work. To visualize the validation of key competencies through a certificate, Youthpass finally aims to support the employability of young people and youth workers.

Objectives:

- To support the development of the competencies of youth workers and youth leaders to the growing recognition of non-formal youth work
- To develop and to implement an European validation in Youth and specifically in the Youth in Action Programme (Actions 1, 2, 3 and 4) and thereby encourage the recognition of informal learning within the youth work and the Youth in Action, to support:
 - the employability of young people and young workers
 - the reflection on personal learning process non-formal and
 - the social recognition of youth work
- To facilitate and to promote exchange of good practices and successful experiences in the validation and recognition of non-formal education in youth work and in the framework of the Youth in Action.
- To know and to understand strategies aimed at European level to support this validation and recognition.

Contents:

- **Youthpass (definition, objectives, etc.):**
 - Learning to learn and self – guided learning.
 - The recognition for the non formal learning
 - Strategic development
- **Good practices by participants:**
 - Concrete experiences in the Youthpass uses by participants
 - Enhancing the quality of projects by means of the Youthpass
 - Bridges between the European Union policies, the education and the practice.
- **Youthpass Strategies, challenges and potentialities in the European Union member states (on the basis of the participant's experiences):**
 - The understanding and the concrete translation of the 8 key competences in the practice.

Participant's profile:

Managers/coordinators of projects within the framework of Action 1.1 (Youth exchanges), 1.2 (Youth Initiatives), 2.1 (EVS), 3.1 (Youth exchanges, training and networking) y 4.3 (Training Courses).

People older than 18 years old, with proven capacity for decision making in the organizations they are representing.

Responsible for issuing the certificate Youthpass in organizations with approved projects and not completed within the above mentioned actions.

Team

- By Canary Islands Government: Mr. Juan Carlos Rojas Guadalupe
- Training Team: Andrés Abad (coordinator – trainer) and Kristina Cernousovaite (co - trainer)

Venue and dates:

Lanzarote, Canary Islands (ES) from 22.11.2011 (arrival day) till 27.11.2011 (departure day). The expenses for participants arriving before or departing later must be cover by themselves.

Expected learning objectives:

- Learning to learn through learning by doing before, during and after the TC
- Sharing concepts, skills, aptitudes and attitudes
- Being able to self – evaluate
- Getting key competences to work in the Youth field and in the Youth in Action Programme

Draft Programme

	<u>TUESDAY</u> <u>22</u>	<u>WEDNESDAY</u> <u>23</u>	<u>THURSDAY</u> <u>24</u>	<u>FRIDAY</u> <u>25</u>	<u>SATURDAY</u> <u>26</u>
07:00 08:00	ARRIVAL OF THE PARTICIPANTS	BREAKFAST			
08:00 13:30		Getting to know each other	Non Formal Education in our countries	Present and Future of YiA	Good Practices from the participants
		Hopes and fears		Experts Discussion!!	Preparing our Youthpass
		What are we talking about?	YP AND EMPLOYABILITY	Preparing good practices	Evaluation of the TC
13:30 15:00		LUNCH			
16:00 19:00		Introduction to YP and Key competences	Learning and key competences inside the different actions.	Good Practices from Participants	DEPARTURE OF
		YP in the different actions	European Context and "Youth on the Move"		
20:00		EVALUATION GROUPS			
20:00		DINNER			
21:30		Welcome Evening	Intercultural Evening	Dinner and evening in the City	

