

International Training Course

“Strengthen European Chances for Young People”

28th November – 3rd December 2022, Guggisberg BE, Switzerland

An action-based training course for youth councils / youth organizations in political campaign building

DESCRIPTION	Strengthen European Chances for Young People" is an international training course that builds on a partnership between youth umbrella organizations created in the past pilot training course "To make an impact - Improving the conditions for youth work" in winter 21/22. The course aims to representatives of national youth umbrella organizations from four countries to support their skills, knowledge and competence in designing, organizing and implementing strategies campaigns. The idea for this course was born after the first training camp where a broad networking and exchange of ideas took place to improve the political conditions for youth work in relation to European exchange programs and their access. In order to achieve this, the course will bring together motivated representatives from national youth umbrella organizations to jointly create tools and steps for such campaigns. The product of the course will be jointly developed strategies that will be implemented afterwards.
PARTICIPANTS / COUNTRIES	3 participants from Austrian National Union of Students (Austria) 3 participants from European Students Union (Belgium, Faroe Island a.o.) 3 participants from Northern Ireland Youth Council (Northern Ireland) 4 participants from SAJV / VSS-UNES-USU / Intermundo (Switzerland) / ESN Switzerland
PROFILE OF PARTICIPANTS	Representatives of umbrella organizations of youth councils and organizations from the participating countries that have a direct need to improve their strategy and practice in political campaign building.
METHODS	Exchange of best practices, non-formal, and interactive working setting: This training course is focusing on exploration of resources through group work, individual work and plenary working sessions. The course is action-based and will result in the design and implementation of national political campaigns.
COURSE ORGANIZERS SWITZERLAND	Swiss National Council of Youth Organizations SAJV Swiss National Umbrella of Students Organizations VSS Swiss National Umbrella of Youth Exchange Organizations Intermundo Swiss National Umbrella of local ESN sections ESN Switzerland
DATES AND VENUE	6 Days (including travel days): 28th November – 3rd December 2022 The group venue “Weitblick-Haus” (Panorama House) is located in Guggisberg, in the mountains of Switzerland, around 1h trainride from the capital Bern and 2h from Zurich Airport.

TRAVEL ARRANGEMENTS AND LOGISTICS	All participants and partners will receive a detailed info pack with all information regarding travel arrangements, logistics, what to bring etc.
COSTS	Accommodation and food during the training course will be covered by the hosting organization. 80% of the travel costs of the participants – minus a participation fee of 100 EUR will be refunded after the completion of the training course.
INSURANCE AND VISA	All participants are responsible for their travel and health insurance. Participants that need a visa for Switzerland are asked to contact the local Swiss embassy and the hosting organization of this training course as soon as they got approved as participants.
COVID-19 REGULATIONS	We will (according to the newest situation), together with our partners, decide in what form and under what circumstances the training course will be executed. All regulations of the hosting and participating countries will be respected.
WORKING LANGUAGE	English (all participants are required to be able to communicate in English)
OBJECTIVES OF THE TRAINING COURSE	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - To review the past year and the first training camp, regarding the Erasmus+ situation - To compare different national strategies for countries to join Erasmus+ - To plan national campaigns - To discuss how to involve the other EU or E+ member countries for more support. - To create Documents for position papers of the organizations and submission of the organizations to the Ministers of Education. - To develop a campaign for joining E+ 2025.
APPLICATION	<p>ARE YOU INTERESTED TO PARTICIPATE? THEN APPLY THROUGH THIS LINK:</p> <p>https://forms.gle/HoWzGfwEh8vY7t3k8</p> <p>APPLICATION DEADLINE: 17th October 2022 SELECTION: 20th October 2022</p>
CONTACT AND INFORMATION	In case of questions, please contact Erika Marty from our coordination organization Intermundo: info@intermundo.ch