negen PARTNER INVITATION Erasmus+ KA1 - Mobility of youth workers **Training course**

THIS IS AN INVITATION

Associazione Naqah will present a new ready project under the Erasmus+ programme:

KA1 – Mobility for youth workers for the 20th of February 2024 deadline.

We would like to invite you to be a partner in the project

GREEN DESIGN

TYPE OF PROJECT

Erasmus+, KA1 – Mobility of youth workers – Training course

TOPICS

Sustainable design and environmental impact.
Visual communication techniques for environmental awareness.
Non-formal learning methods in environmental education.
Collaboration and networking among youth workers to promote sustainable practices

RATIONALE OF THE PROJECT

The project fits within a socio-political and cultural context where environmental sustainability and ecological awareness have become crucial priorities both locally and in Europe. At the local level, especially in regions like Sicily in Italy where Associazione Naqah is located, there is a growing need to address environmental challenges such as resource management and the impact of human activities on the environment. At the European level, the project aligns with the goals of the European Green Deal, aiming to make the EU a sustainable and climate-neutral economy by 2050. This aligns with the EU's efforts to promote education and training in environmental sustainability, as well as with the priorities of the Erasmus+ program to support the training of youth workers and promote active citizenship and social awareness among young people. We aim to bridge the gap between environmental awareness and practical action by providing youth workers with the skills and knowledge needed to integrate sustainable design and environmental practices into their educational and awareness activities. This is particularly relevant in an era where young people are becoming increasingly active in the fight against climate change and sustainability initiatives, making it crucial for educators and youth workers to be adequately equipped to guide and support them.

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ABSTRACT

The project aims to integrate the principles of sustainable design and environmental awareness into youth work through the training and empowerment of youth workers. The goal is to develop skills that enable young people and youth workers to creatively and responsibly address environmental challenges, promoting sustainability and innovation in design. To achieve these objectives, the project utilizes non-formal education-based methodologies such as interactive workshops, practical training sessions, and awareness activities designed to facilitate experiential learning and interaction. Methods such as peer-to-peer learning, collaborative project work, and the use of storytelling and case studies will also be employed to concretize concepts and stimulate creativity and critical thinking. This approach ensures that learning is dynamic, participatory, and directly applicable in the participants' work and personal contexts.

GENERAL OBJECTIVE

The general objective of the "Green Design" project is to empower youth workers and professionals in the field with the skills and knowledge necessary to integrate the principles of sustainable design and environmental education into youth work, thereby promoting behavioral and cultural change towards more sustainable and environmentally respectful practices

SPECIFIC OBJECTIVES

Develop Skills in Sustainable Design:

To train youth workers and professionals to acquire practical and theoretical skills in the field of sustainable design, enabling them to apply these principles in their educational and awareness activities with young people.

Promote Environmental Awareness:

To raise awareness among participants about critical environmental issues and their impact, encouraging the adoption of sustainable behaviors and practices in daily life and work.

Stimulate Innovation and Creativity:

To encourage the use of creativity and innovative thinking among young people and youth workers, using graphic design as a tool to effectively communicate themes related to sustainability and the environment.

Foster Networking and Collaboration:

To create a network of professionals and youth workers working in the field of sustainable design and environmental education, facilitating the exchange of best practices, experiences, and resources to strengthen the collective impact of sustainability initiatives.

WHO CAN PARTICIPATE IN THE PROJECT

AS PARTICIPATING ORGANISATIONS

- Youth education organizations
- Organizations in the artistic sector
 - Communication organizations
- Non-profit organizations/associations/NGOs
 - European Youth NGOs
- Public bodies at local, regional, or national levels

These participating organizations will benefit from their involvement in the project, gaining new methodologies and tools to enhance their educational programs and promote environmental awareness.

AS PARTICIPANTS IN THE TRAINING COURSE

- Youth Workers
- Project Leaders
- Youth Facilitators
- Youth animators
- Professionals in the artistic field working with young people
 - Artists
 - Motivators
 - Graphic design enthusiasts
 - Social workers
 - Sympathizers
 - Members of youth and environmental organizations

These direct participants in the training course, **aged between 20 and 30**, are actively engaged in their professional or community roles and are seeking to deepen their skills and knowledge in sustainable design and ecological practices to integrate into their work with young people.

ROLE OF ORGANIZATIONS & PARTICIPANTS IN THE PROJECT

Participating organizations involved in the project will assume the role of the "Sending organization." They will be responsible for sending selected participants abroad and implementing the following activities:

Preparation - Sending organizations

- Identification of participants
- Support for practical arrangements (travel arrangements, visas, etc.).
- Preparing participants before departure (pre-departure tasks, etc.).
 - Implementation Participants

Participants are expected to actively participate in all planned activities. Follow up - Participants & Sending Organization

Development of dissemination and follow-up activities based on the project results.

WHERE & WHEN The training course will take place in Marineo (Pa), Sicily, Italy in late summer 2024 and it will last 7 days.

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FINANCIAL CONDITIONS

Contribution to the Travel Costs of participants are based on unit costs. According to Erasmus+'s new rules, they are calculated from the place of origin to the venue of the activity and return (according to the Distance Calculator provided by the EC). The sending organisation will provide the organisation departure city in order to calculate the amount in the best way, thus defining the right amount according to the rules of Erasmus + Programme. Subsistence, accommodation and other expenses (such as visa and special needs related to participants with disabilities) related with the participation in the TC during the training period are 100% covered by the project.

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IF YOU WANT TO PARTECIPATE IN THE PROJECT AS A PARTNER

Please, send an email to **associazionenaqah@gmail.com** by 31/01/2024 with the following information:

PIC number of your organisation Organisation data

We look forward to having your feedback! *Greetings from Marineo*



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