



Erasmus+



Living Libraries for dialogue

Euro-Mediterranean intercultural dialogue

From 6th to 13th August 2016
(arrival and departure dates)
Tartu and Otepää, Estonia



Deadline for applicants: 6th June 2016

In brief

On the wake of terror attacks, the surge of xenophobia, the increase of far right extremism combined with the political and economical crisis and the arrival of refugees and migrant persons the training “Living Libraries for Dialogue” addresses these challenges among communities in the Euro-Mediterranean area.

The project wants to mainstream intercultural dialogue and de-construct prejudices through the implementation of Living Library actions in order to encourage interaction and conversation bringing communities together.

This is a “Library” which does not consist of actual books but of people "human books' who are willing to share their stories and experiences with others, in order to fight prejudice and promote diversity. The purpose of bridging diverse communities as well as the importance to invest in the public sphere and to generate spaces where people can encounter diversity and de-construct fears and prejudices specially referring to migrants, refugees, and diverse minorities (cultural, ethnic, linguistic, religious,...) is more necessary than ever.

The course

The training “Living Libraries for Dialogue” will bring together a group of 25 youth workers and educators from communities around the Euro- Mediterranean area for a six days interactive training course that will explore the challenges of a meaningful intercultural dialogue and will develop youth work competences on preparing, implementing and evaluation Living Library actions in the public sphere thus promoting intercultural citizenship education.

Through the project we will:

- address the current challenges that intercultural dialogue faces in the Euro-Mediterranean context and explore the role of youth work in addressing prejudice and discrimination in society;
- develop competences to prepare, implement and evaluate local actions based on Living Library methodologies in the public sphere;
- increase the quality and develop strategies of cooperation within the Erasmus + Youth in Action programme, especially in the Euro-Mediterranean area, creating synergies and establish networks of cooperation between youth organizations that promote dialogue among cultures.

Profile of the participants

The course is designed for a group for twenty-five youth leaders, youth workers, community activists and educators who already have some experience in the work with intercultural dialogue.

Practitioners from Estonia, Jordan, Lebanon, Lithuania, Catalonia, Tunisia, Turkey, Italy willing to contribute and learn from the exchange of best practices and to become agents of change in their organisations and communities - are invited to apply. This diversity should ensure a European and Mediterranean dimension and a major vision of different realities and practices in addressing intercultural dialogue.

Participants should be ready for an intercultural experience and interested in developing intercultural dialogue strategies in their organisations and communities.

Equipped by competences, national teams are expected to create living Library events in their communities as a direct follow up of the course.

Participants will be selected by the preparatory team according to their Application form (here attached). The selection will ensure to have a group with organisational and geographical diversity and gender balance.

Hosting Organisations

Trajectorya is a non-for-profit, non-partisan, and non-governmental training organization. It was established with the aim to promote life long learning and non-formal education as tools for enhancing human dignity and intercultural dialogue.

Trajectorya provides training and consultancy to non-governmental organisations and educational institutions working with young people, educators and adult learners. Find more about our aims, objectives and previous activities in our site: www.trajectorya.ee

Deadline and Application procedure

All candidates must apply using the enclosed application form. Applications should be *sent not later than than 6th June 2016* to: euromed@trajectorya.ee

The preparatory team will select 25 participants on the basis of the profile outlined above and ensuring a balanced group (gender, geographical regions, different types of experiences, cultural backgrounds and organisations). A waiting list may be established.

Selected candidates will receive the course documentation and further technical and educational information directly from the organisers.

Financial and practical conditions of participation

Travel expenses

!!Do not book your travel until your participation has been confirmed !!

The 80% of travel expenses is reimbursed. Participants must choose the cheapest travel option and only public transport costs can be reimbursed. Also, please be aware that we can reimburse only the participants who attend the entire seminar.

If all the relevant documents are properly presented and travel costs maximums are not exceeded, (150€ travelling from Lithuania and Estonia, 300€ from Italy, Spain, Turkey, and 600€ travelling from Tunisia, Lebanon and Jordan) you should get 80% reimbursement of your travel costs. Reimbursement will be done in Euro.

Accommodation

Board and lodging for the duration of the seminar will be provided and paid for by the organisers.

Enrolment fee

An enrolment fee of 35€ is payable by EU countries participants and 20€ by participants from non-EU countries. This amount will be deducted from the amount to be reimbursed for travel expenses or paid at the beginning of the course.

Information

If you need further information do not hesitate to contact us:

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