



# Euro-Mediterranean Living Libraries

# **Intercultural Dialogue in Youth Work**

10<sup>th</sup> to 16<sup>th</sup> May 2017 *(arrival and departure dates)* 

Coma-ruga (Tarragona) and Barcelona



# The project in brief

**Euro-Mediterranean Living Libraries** will bring together a group of 20 youth workers and educators from communities around the Euro-Mediterranean area for a six days interactive training course to develop youth work competences for preparing, implementing and evaluation Living Library actions in the public sphere.

This is a direct follow up of the Expressions in Dialogue project that 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 main purpose of the initiative Expressions in Dialogue is bridging diverse communities to invest in the public sphere and to generate spaces where people can encounter diversity and deconstruct fears and prejudices specially referring to migrants, refugees, and diverse minorities (cultural, ethnic, linguistic, religious,...).

### **Profile of the participants**

Potential "Human Books" and "Librarians" are welcome to apply for this project. These Human Books should be able and willing to interact through their live stories with citizens in the public space in Barcelona.

Each partner organisation is invited to send a maximum of five Human Books Candidates. From the received application forms we are expecting to select two "Human Books" from Tunisia, Egypt, Estonia, Slovakia, Turkey, Catalonia, Jordan, Lebanon, Italy and Slovakia.

Participants should be ready for an intercultural experience and interested in developing Living Library events aiming at fostering civic and human rights. Attending participants should be willing to become agents of change in their organisations and communities.

Participants will be selected by the coordination team according to their Application form. Previous experience in Living Libraries, youth work background and potential to develop concrete follow-up will be specially taken into account.

The selection will ensure to have a group with organisational and geographical diversity and gender balance.

# Hosting Organisations

The <u>Association of Educators in Human Rights (AHEAD)</u> is a non-for-profit, non-governmental Training Organization. It organises educational events and provides training and consultancy to non-governmental organisations and educational institutions working with young people.

The mission of the Association is to promote human rights education as a requisite to strengthen the commitment towards a culture of peace, democracy and solidarity.

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### **Deadline and Application procedure**

All candidates must apply using the enclosed application form. Applications should be sent before the **30<sup>th</sup> March 2017** by E-mail to the electronic address <u>euromed@AHEADedu.org</u>

The preparatory team will select the 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\_

#### <u>Travel expenses</u>

The 80 % of travel expenses are reimbursed (on presentation of the relevant receipts). In order to support the participation of participants from the Meda region, maximum amounts will be established. Participants must choose the cheapest travel option. Only the participants who attend the entire training course can be reimbursed.

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

#### <u>Accommodation</u>

Board and lodging for the duration of the Training Course will be provided and paid for by the Organisers

#### Enrolment fee

An enrolment fee of 45€ is payable by EU countries participants and 35€ 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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