



Keep Democracy Great!

Training Course for Youth Workers

10-19 December 2021

Slettestrand, Denmark

Call for Participants

*Together with our partners, we are looking for participants from Denmark, Hungary, Lithuania, Greece, Poland, Portugal, Turkey, and Spain for the **Training Course "Keep Democracy Great!"***

*The activity will take place between **10-19 December 2021** in Slettestrand, Denmark.*

Activity Summary

"Keep Democracy Great!" is a Training Course that will deepen participants' understanding of the concept of democracy and provide them with methods and tools to promote democratic values amongst young people in their local communities.

The Training Course will give the participants the following:

- 1) Understanding upon the meaning and importance of democracy, also the role of the European Union to preserve it.
- 2) Understanding upon the factors that can weaken democracy and the effects of its deconsolidation.
- 4) Raised awareness on the current political issues, and how to be active citizen in Europe.
- 5) Non-formal methods to promote amongst young people the importance of democracy and the participation in democratic life.
- 6) Competences on critical thinking, detection of fake news and populism.

Activity Programme

Attached to this Call for Participants is the draft programme of the training course. Please note that some changes in the programme may occur.

Participants in the training course will develop non-formal methods and best practices on promoting the concept of democracy amongst young people and are expected to actively contribute to the activities. The selected participants will be required to send in advance examples of non-formal education methods or best practices within the following topics:

- National and international politics, media literacy, and social life.
- Democracy and European value and policy.
- Populism and how to fight it.





The Training Course will be conducted in English and translation will not be provided.

Follow-up Activities

After the activity, the participants must implement at least one local activity for at least 20 young people using the non-formal methods developed/gained during the training course. The participants will have to report the local activities implemented.

Participants' Profile

The primary selection criterion is that the participant shall understand the aim and objectives of the project and shall be willing to foster its completion. Additionally, the participants shall:

- Be a youth worker;
- Be above 21 years old. Persons under 21 years of age, may be considered based on motivation and experience.
- Be willing to make dissemination activities to share the results of the project.
- Be at least on an intermediate level in English Participant selection.
- Be available to attend the activity for its entire duration.
- Have agreed to the Participant's Declaration.
- Have agreed to the Green Policy at the venue.
- Have agreed to the Covid-19 safety policy at the venue.

Candidates who do not fulfil the above requirements will not be considered.

Application and selection procedure

Candidates should submit application form on the following link:

<http://intercollege.info/participants-zone-2/open-calls-2/application-keep-democracy-great>

The application deadline is **15 September 2021**. Confirmation of the participant selection will be announced by the organizers on **20 September 2021** the latest.

Within **5 days** after the selection results are announced, participants must purchase their travel tickets to the activity venue and send the organisers a copy of these.

Board and Lodging

The accommodation is arranged at "Feriecenter Slettestrand" (please see www.slettestrand.dk) in apartments for 4-5 persons. Please note that participants may share a room with other 1-2 participants. Shower and toilet are in the apartments and shared between 2-3 rooms. Food will be provided by the Feriecenter.





Travel Budget

The EU contribution for the travel expenses per participant is as follows:

Country	EU Contribution	For a distance band of*
Denmark	180€	100-499 km
Spain, Hungary, Poland, Lithuania,	275€	500-1999 km
Portugal, Turkey, Greece	360€	2000-2999 km

*The travel contribution was calculated using the [distance calculator](#) of the European Commission from the location of each sending organization to the venue. Should the travel expenses exceed the contribution available, participants shall cover the extra costs from own resources.

Reimbursement of travel expenses

Participants will be reimbursed for their travel expenses up to the amount available for their countries and no more than their real costs. In order to get reimbursed for their travel expenses, participants shall send the organizer all the originals of travel documentation and invoices. The reimbursements will be made through bank transfers within 45 days after the organizer have received the original documentation by post.

Additionally, the reimbursement will be performed only if the following conditions are met:

1. Participants submit their individual participant report as requested by the European Commission through the Mobility Tool.
2. Participants and their sending organizations send the organizers a proof of dissemination activities.

COVID-19 – Entry Requirements

Denmark classifies regions and countries around the world in four categories: green, yellow, orange and red. The colour codes determine the rules that must be observed to enter Denmark and are updated on a weekly basis. Please verify the link below for updated entry requirements applicable to your country.

<https://en.coronasmitte.dk/rules-and-regulations/entry-into-denmark/categorization-of-countries?fbclid=IwAR3YwxSRNyKL-nWbAt-k6YNOFg-QIh8jIQwt5JVQJm67cEXUd7Jrm53EisA>

Visa

For participants from Turkey, funds of up to 150€/person are available to contribute to visa costs, where needed. The visa costs will be reimbursed based on the documented real costs, and not more than 150€/person.





Travel Insurance

Participants must have a travel insurance covering them for the whole duration of the activity. It is strongly advised that the travel insurance covers the participants' costs for an eventual Covid-19 treatment and similar expenses.

Dissemination

Dissemination of the activity results is a key feature within the Erasmus+ programme. The partner organisations and their participants shall organize dissemination activities within two weeks after the project activity has taken place. The partner organisations shall use any dissemination means at their disposal.

Each partner obliged itself to find at least 3 different media providers (tv, radio, online news portal, print) and get 3 publications created about the results of the project. The target groups of these media publications are the general public.

Covid 19 – Safety Policy at the venue

A safety Covid-19 policy will be applied at the activity venue to minimize the risk of Covid-19 infections. The policy can be read at: <http://intercollege.info/wp-content/uploads/2021/08/COVID-19-POLICY-Denmark.pdf>.

Please note that the policy may be updated depending on Covid-19 developments in Denmark and the rest of Europe. Should any changes occur, the participants will be informed in due time.

Accepting the Covid-19 Safety Policy is a requirement of participation in the activity.

Green Policy

A Green Policy must be respected at the venue. The policy can be read at: http://intercollege.info/wp-content/uploads/2021/08/IC_GreenPolicy.pdf.

Accepting the Green Policy is a requirement of participation in the activity.

Participant's Declaration

Each participant shall read carefully and agree on the Participant's Declaration that can be found at: <http://intercollege.info/wp-content/uploads/2018/04/VAP-Participant-Declaration.pdf>.

Accepting the Participant Declaration is a requirement of participation.

Contacts

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Programme of Activities

Day 1 (10 Dec.): Arrivals

Day 2 (11 Dec.): Partner meeting	
09:00	Introduction to the project
10:00	Fear and Expectations
11:00	Get to know each other
13:00	Lunch
14:00	Walk and Talk
16:00	Teambuilding
18:30	Dinner

Day 3 (12 Dec.): NFE and Democracy	
09:00	Non-formal education and its importance
11:00	What is democracy?
13:00	Lunch
14:00	Why are people losing faith in democracy?
16:00	NFE method to promote democracy
17:30	Debrief
18:30	Dinner
20:00	Informal evening activity

Day 4 (13 Dec.): The European Union	
09:00	The European Union
11:00	How to raise positive awareness about EU?
13:00	Lunch
14:00	Democratic Values of the European Union
16:00	Euroscepticism
17:30	Debrief
18:00	Dinner

Day 5 (14 Dec.): Active Citizenship	
09:00	Participation and E-Participation
13:00	Lunch
14:00	Active Citizenship
16:00	Current Political Issues around Europe
17:30	Debrief
18:00	Dinner
20:00	Intercultural Evening

Day 6 (15 Dec.): Media Literacy and Populism	
09:00	Media Literacy and Critical Thinking
13:00	Lunch
14:00	Populism. How to fight populism?
17:30	Debrief
18:00	Dinner
20:00	Brexit Movie

Day 7 (16 Dec.): Inspiration Day	
09:00	Departure from Slettestrand
10:00	Visit to stakeholders
12:30	Free time in Aalborg
18:00	Dinner
20:00	Informal evening activity

Day 8 (17 Dec.): Method Development	
09:00	Methods development
13:00	Lunch
14:00	Methods development
17:30	Debrief
18:00	Dinner
20:00	Informal evening activity

Day 9 (18 Dec.): Evaluation	
09:00	Method testing and Feedback
13:00	Lunch
14:00	Reflection of learning
16:00	Dissemination plans
18:00	Dinner
20:00	Farewell Evening

Day 10 (19 Dec.): Departures

