

PARTICIPANT GUIDE >>>

Humour
is
SERIOUS
Business
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TRAINING
COURSE!



- THE TEAM -

The team is fixed but you have to wait until you get to Velden am Wörthersee in Austria to check us out. We can tell you that the team of organisers and facilitators are from United Kingdom, Italy, Germany and Austria and we are very excited to work together with you.



And how will we do that? It will be a training course, but it's not like the ones where you can sit back and relax. We will use active methods, based on experimental learning, in combination with practical theory. This means that you will work in workshops, with role plays and exchange the experiences you have and plan concrete future projects.

We are all ready and prepared to meet you soon in our project!

- CONTENT AND ACTIVITIES -

“HUMOUR is SERIOUS BUSINESS” is aiming to provide space and time for participants to examine a multitude of issues, concerns and questions related to the use of Humour in an effort to increase their skills, knowledge and experience of Humour as an effective method of engaging young people.

Participants will come away from the training much better informed and ‘upskilled’ with a clear direction of how they can use humour in their work setting and with a clear plan for developing a locally-based project which they will document to further inform the discussion regarding Humour as a mechanism which can be used effectively in engaging young people.

****WORKING LANGUAGE**

Whilst many of you speak many different languages the official training language will be **ENGLISH ONLY!**

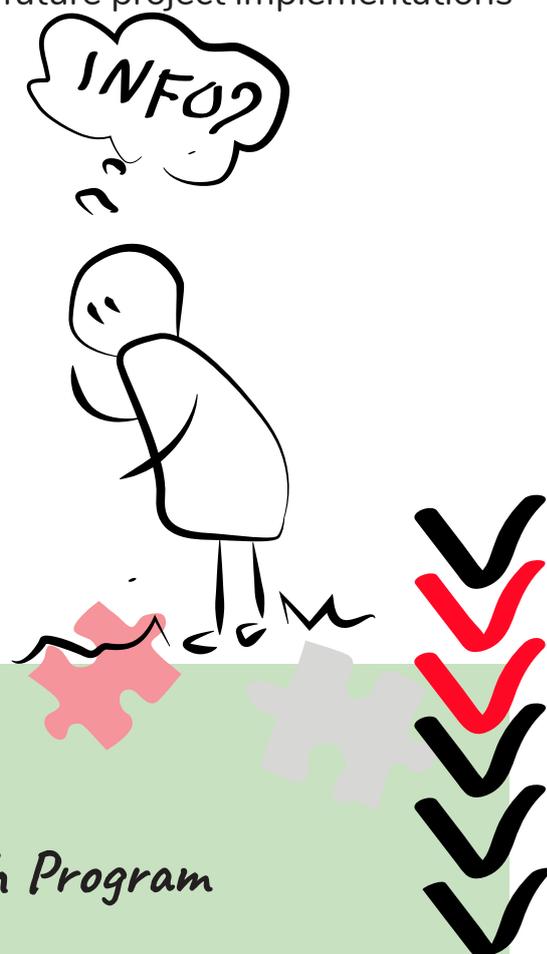


“HUMOUR is SERIOUS BUSINESS” Training Programme will achieve the following objectives:

- upskilling youth work practitioners in the use of humour as an effective tool for engaging young people and youth work communities;
- enhancing knowledge of the various types of humour so as to increase understanding of how, where, when and why it can be applied;
- increasing awareness of how humour can be used as a pro-active and deliberate methodology in youth work and not just as a natural consequence of and response to specific situations;
- consider cultural differences in humour and understand better how these can be used to support and inform youth work practice;
- providing space and time for practitioners to reflect upon the use of their own sense of humour and consider where it can be altered to support their practice;
- challenge participants to step out of their ‘comfort zone’ in order to appreciate their own commitment to learning;
- developing local humour-based programmes to test methodologies and techniques with a view to informing humour-based practice;
- the development of a number of joint-actions between partner organisations.

- PREPARING THE CONTENT -

In this section you can find web-links which will help to broaden your understanding of the Erasmus+ (Youth in Action) programme, non-civic and intercultural education in the European context. These links will be useful for you before the training (in terms of introduction) and after the event (in terms of future project implementations as well as training opportunities).



Check out all of those useful links:

General information on European Youth Program

- http://ec.europa.eu/youth/index_en.htm

Information on the European Youth in Action Program. User's guide is available.

Non-formal education and intercultural learning

- <http://www.infed.org/biblio/b-nonfor.htm>

Formal/Non-Formal/informal Education background.

- <http://www.efc.be/ftp/public/cpi/TCFF%20Intercultural%20Learning.pdf>

Intercultural learning.

- http://www.youth-partnership.net/youth-partnership/publications/T-kits/T_kits
T-kit publications connected with european youth work.

- COSTS -

There is a participation fee of **EUR 30,00** per participant, which you can pay during the reimbursement procedure. Board, lodging and programme costs will be provided and paid 100% by grant from the Austrian Erasmus+ National Agency. But it is recommended to have a personal disposal for drinks, small shoppings, etc.

We have a budget for travel costs. According to the restrictions of the Erasmus+ Programme we can only refund up to some of the travel cost, if the following points are fulfilled:

- Your travel route is from your home town to the venue in Austria (Velden am Wörthersee) and back (if you are not travelling from your hometown, contact us previously).
- You have chosen reasonable and economic means of transportation (e.g. APEX or student fares for flight tickets, cheap airlines, 2nd class trains).
- Your travel dates are according to the programme (two days plus or minus is O.K., if you can prove that this transfer is cheaper, in other cases please contact us previously).
- You have a receipt or invoice for the cost of your plane ticket and the boarding cards or the train/bus tickets. If you go by plane and book an e-ticket please send us a copy by email (info@europahaus-klagenfurt.at).



- PARTICIPANTS AND PREPARATION OF THE GROUPS -

Please find
Application Form
attached to the letter



Each country will select the participants from **18 years old**.

Target group:

All participants should be committed to participating in all activities and have a willing and pro-active attitude.

We will need the following information about each one:

- Full Name;
- Gender;
- Birthdate / Age;
- Passport Number or ID number with issue and expiration date;
- Phone number and e-mail;
- Special Needs (Allergy, Food restriction, Health restrictions).

- WHAT TO BRING -

Clothes: we don't have any dressing code at our training. So feel free to take whatever clothes make you feel comfortable but remember Austria is situated in the Alps and we advise you to check the weather forecast in advance. Evenings might be cold, and raincoats are advisable in this period of the year. The venue has a big outdoor area and a wide range of free time activities. Pack suitable clothes in order to enjoy being outdoors.

Promo materials with main information to present your Organisation during the evening of Organisation Market.

For Intercultural Evening: Ideas, music, snacks, drinks etc to present your country and culture.