



Info Pack

Capacity Building Project

Project title: Youth Empowerment Support to Non-Formal Learning - YES
TO NFL

YES2NFL

Info pack for *Training Course in Kosovo*

Prishtina, Kosovo

Arrival Day: 29.10.2021

Departure Day: 06.11.2021

Project partners

Better Life in Kosova – BLINK – Kosovo (Coordinator)

Nevladina organizacija "IUVENTA" – Serbia

Qendra Per Progres Rinor – Albania

SFERA Macedonia Bitola – North Macedonia

LINK – Italy

Alphabet Formation – Belgium

Eesti People to People/Estonia

Youth and Civil Initiatives in the Rose Valley, Bulgaria

Short information about the project

Youth Empowerment Support to Non-Formal Learning - YES to NFL is a European Project in the same line with Erasmus+ Program General Objective that contribute to the renewed framework for European Cooperation in youth field and the achievement of the Europe 2020 Strategy, including the headline education target. Western Balkan Countries and European Countries (Albania; Kosovo; Serbia; Belgium; Estonia; Italy; Bulgaria and Macedonia) with different backgrounds in NFL will come together and contribute in the promotion and recognition of NFL as an adequate methodology for youth work. Through this project the partner organisations aim to improve youth competencies and skills; to promote a modern education system through NFL; to strengthen the cooperation between all involved stakeholders and to improve intercultural dimensions in the youth field.

Local and Transnational Activities will be organized during the lifetime of the project and more than 460 youth will be participating and gaining/improving skills in these activities.

The Kick off Meeting will help to prepare the most satisfying and compliant with the current issues in the educational program sphere as well as outline the guidance for the activities and strengthening the partnership between all involved countries.

The Study Visit will allow participants to build capacities for developing and implementing projects aiming to increase the recognition of youth work, to explore possible links between recognition of youth work and employability/employment of young people, to share and discuss experiences, examples and possibilities of working towards recognition and to develop partnerships for future action

The Training Course will help to establish connections in the formal education sector in our respective countries. The representatives of the formal education sector, on the other hand, will broaden their horizons in NFL. They will be able to use non-formal education tools during their work and therefore diversify their pool of methods for working with youth. Training Course participants are also expected later to be involved in the Erasmus+ projects, and not just as part-takers, but as organizers of activities. Furthermore, it is expected that participants will design a module with Non-Formal Activities. Participants will be in charge to lead local activities back in their community to validate all the designed activities within the module.

Seminar is one important activity which is expected to contribute on finalizing and returning the module in a more professional manner which afterwards will be as a ready-tool for different entities.

Attending the foreseen activities will allow participants to build capacities for developing and implementing other new projects aiming to increase the recognition of youth work in European and Western Balkan Countries as well.

Planned project activities will start on November 2019 and will end on October 2022.

In order to achieve this, we will organize a set of activities for youth workers, youth leaders, NGOs referring to these objectives (in European level) that are designed in cooperation with partner organisations:

- To promote awareness for the importance of NFL in local, national and transnational level.
- To raise youth competences and skills in NFL field by making adequate forms of modules;
- To gather the most experienced Youth Leaders, Trainers, Youth Workers, Project Managers, and people from NGO's to develop common tools, to increase the quality of youth work and non-formal education;
- To promote awareness for modernisation of education system through NFL and sharing experience between participant countries.
- To strengthen the cooperation between all involved stakeholders;
- To improve intercultural dimensions in the youth field.

Information about the training course

An 9 days (arrival: 29.10.2021 – departure: 06.11.2021) Training Course that will be held in Hajvali, Kosovo will bring together youngsters who are motivated and have the interest to work in creating a module for NFL. As an activity, the training will be a model for the participants as well, not only for the information about NFL but also, for the way how we will approach with the target group, gender balance, methodology of work, with the youngsters from rural area.

Objectives of the Training Course:

- Youth competences and skills in NFL are improved
- To raise awareness about the importance of combining non-formal and formal methods of education to improve skills of young people
- Strengthen the cooperation between all involved stakeholders.
- Improve intercultural dimensions in the youth field.
- Create a module for Non Formal Activities.
- To learn about project writing and project implementation within the Erasmus+ programs as well as YouthPass.

Each partner will have to send three representatives;

A detailed daily schedule of the activity will be sent to chosen participants.

Accommodation

Info about TC venue:

- Prishtina has a total population of over 400,000. It is the administrative, economical, and cultural center of the country For more information about Pristina and Kosovo see: <https://prishtinainsight.com/guide/>
- The hotel is situated 10 minutes out of city with a nice view of the hills surrounding Pristina.
- The name of the hotel is: **DARDANIA HOTEL (ex HOTEL MADRID)**, Address: Hajvali, Prishtine (<https://www.google.com/maps/place/Dardania/@42.6207955,21.1631172,17z>)
- For information about the weather in Kosovo you can check in : <http://www.accuweather.com/enus/xk/prishtine/pristina/forecast.aspx>
- Participants will be accommodated in **double and triple in rooms**.
- Each bedroom is equipped with a bathroom, air conditioning and a TV set.
- The participants will be accommodated with people of other project partner countries in order to facilitate group-building and team spirit.
- Meals will be served at the hotel restaurant (breakfast, lunch and dinner) - *(please remember to let us know about any dietary needs (e.g. vegetarian, lactose intolerance) on the 1st day!)*
- Free wireless Internet will be provided at the hotel.
- The training room is on the 1st floor.
- Free wireless Internet will be provided at the hotel

Getting to the venue

- For selected participants, we will provide exact details on reaching the place.

Travel cost

The project is implemented by the support of the European Commission program ERASMUS+. Travel Expenses (according to Erasmus+ guidelines), accommodation, food and planned activities will be covered by the project budget.

We will reimburse travel costs as listed below on the basis of the cheapest possibilities, e.g. second-class railway tickets, APEX-flights etc. during the activity and the receipt of all ORIGINAL tickets, bills, invoices, receipts, boarding tags/cards etc is **mandatory**. Following the guide lines of the Erasmus+ program the travel back must be realized by the participants on direct way within maximum 2 days. In case of longer stays or indirect travelling (holiday travel etc.) there is no chance of reimbursement of travel costs. Please, keep the original tickets **(including boarding passes)** in order to get money back.

Your travel expenses will ONLY be reimbursed upon presentation of documentary evidence of the sum ACTUALLY PAID and you need to present:

1. Original Invoices
2. Original travel tickets (train, flight or bus)
3. Bank /credit card overview with your e-tickets payment
5. Original boarding passes for airplanes

Promoter	Number of persons	Maximum costs per person in euro
<i>NGO Better Life In Kosova - BLINK</i>	8	0
<i>Iuventa – Serbia</i>	3	180.00
<i>Center for Youth Progress – Albania</i>	3	20.00
<i>Sfera International – North Macedonia</i>	3	180.00
<i>Associazione culturale Link/Italy</i>	3	180.00
<i>Alphabet Formation/Belgium</i>	3	275.00
<i>“Youth and Civil Initiatives in the Rose Valley” NGO/Bulgaria</i>	3	180.00
<i>Eesti People to People/Estonia</i>	3	275.00

If the value of a return ticket is more than the approved budget, the project will reimburse up to the amounts written on the budget lines. If the value is less than the budget, the project will reimburse the amount based on cost.

In regards to entering Kosovo due to COVID measures, each person should:

From 30 August 2021 every person who enters the Republic of Kosovo shall possess one of the following evidence:

- Vaccination certificate for complete vaccination or for receiving one dose of COVID19 vaccine;
- A negative RT-PCR test for COVID-19, not older than 72 hours;
- Evidence that the person has passed COVID-19 (positive RT-PCR test issued not less than 21 days and not more than 180 days or positive result of serological antibody test - IgG, issued no more than 30 days ago;
- Rapid negative antigen test not older than 48 hours.

For participants who needs to do testing (RT-PCR or Serological antibody test - IgG or Rapid Negative antigen test) BLINK is intending to cover the cost of whichever is the cheapest option. However, further approval by BLINK is needed in case-by-case approach for the chosen participants.

What to prepare and bring _____

- **Insurance** - We suggest you to buy insurance in order to be safe in case of emergency. Activities of the project are safe, venue also. However, **insurance costs are not covered by the project costs.**
- **About your NGO** - Each organization is kindly requested to prepare a short video (max up to 3 min) where you introduce your organization, objectives, main area of activity and if you want your experience.
- Good Mood 😊

SEE YOU IN PRISHTINA, KOSOVO 😊