

THE BEGIN OF EUROPE

LEARNING EXPERIENCE IN SPAIN

From 19th to 25th September 2019

AURYN ASSOCIATION

Auryn Association will be the organizing entity. **Auryn Association** started its activity on November 2001, with the general aim of creating open spaces, means and alternatives of educational leisure time for children, young and adult people living in León city (Spain), specifically those from La Lastra neighbourhood. The Association works mainly on the fields of prevention, education in the leisure time, entertainment and social and cultural development, all of that with an own identity and educational style. A great and stable core of leaders and volunteers has been properly trained in order to accomplish the Association educational and management tasks. This work throughout the time has made possible the improvement of Auryn as a point of reference for the people in the city. It belongs to the Youth Council of Leon (the Youth Board of the city) and collaborates with many other institutions.

PROJECT IDEA

Through this action it is expected to set in motion a training course about tools to promote the European values and European citizenship.

At present, non-Europeanist and nationalist movements are emerging in Europe and sometimes attacking European values and social cohesion. For this reason, with this training course we want to address the historical origins of the European Union and the Council of Europe, promoting European values, education for peace and cooperation, intercultural education and Human Rights Education. We also want to address Intercultural Learning methods from formal and non formal education as a tool for the identification of concepts and realities in Europe and for the development of solutions to problems linked with the xenophobia and racism.

The Training Course is intended to interrelate organizations and people that work with youth in the different participant countries and to help them to develop strategies of mutual understanding and respect towards the social and cultural differences in Europe. This will help to improve the quality of the work with youth in general and in a local and European context.

The Training Course is intended to interrelate the youth work with the promotion of the European Values linked with "The Begin of Europe" (European Union).

The Training Course will be also an opportunity of intercultural learning exchange between the participants and organizations.

PARTICIPANTS COUNTRIES

- 7 participants countries: France, Italy, Bulgaria, Portugal, Slovakia, Greece and Spain
- 7 organizations:
 - ASSOCIATION INTERCULTURA (France)
 - VENTI DI SCAMBIO (Italy)
 - SDRUZHENIE BALGARSKI MLADEZHKI FORUM (Bulgaria)
 - UNITED SOCIETIES OF BALKANS ASTIKI ETAIREIA (Greece)
 - BUÉ FIXE- ASSOCIAÇÃO DE JOVENS (Portugal)
 - OZ CARE4YOU (Slovakia)
 - AURYN ASSOCIATION (Spain)
- 2 participants for each country.

PARTICIPANTS PROFILE

- Youth workers in the field of youth with little or no previous work experience in this context and in the theme of the Training Course.
- Youth workers with little experience in the field of mobility at European level.
- Priority will be given to youth workers with fewer opportunities and who have not had the opportunity to experience trainings at a European level.

DATES AND PLACE

- 5 days
- From 19th to 25th September 2019 (19TH and 25th travel days)
- León (Spain)
- Accommodation place:

Valdesol Hostel

LA VECILLA DE CURUEÑO (LEÓN) - SPAIN -

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OBJECTIVES

- ⇒ To allow workers in the field of youth work and non-formal education to use and introduce various methods and tools to make known "The Begin of Europe" linked with the European values, intercultural learning and human rights learning.

- ⇒ To interrelate organizations and people that work with youth within the different participant countries and to help them to develop strategies of mutual understanding and respect towards Human Rights and the social and cultural differences.
- ⇒ To help participants to improve the quality of the work with youth in general, within a local and a European context.
- ⇒ To foster the intercultural dialogue and the mutual understanding among young people from different countries.
- ⇒ To develop solidarity and to promote tolerance among young people and to contribute to social cohesion, in particular by fighting exclusion and by preventing discrimination phenomena, specifically affecting young people.
- ⇒ To enhance the quality of supporting systems for youth activities and the capacities of social organizations in the youth field.
- ⇒ To make proposals and establish strategies to find solutions for different difficulties and problems that we may find within the Intercultural Education.
- ⇒ To promote initiatives addressed to situations of social exclusion and discrimination using an approach based on Human Rights Education.

TRAVEL COSTS

The travel costs for the Training Course from your location to León will be reimbursed. The maximum price that we can reimburse (roundtrip) per person according with the Erasmus + Program is:

Country Amount:

- France € 275
- Italy € 275
- Greece € 360
- Portugal € 275
- Slovakia € 360
- Bulgaria € 360

Try to buy the cheaper tickets!!!

IMPORTANT: for the reimbursement we need all the original travel tickets: plane, train, boarding pass, bus... except taxi, because the National Agency doesn't reimburse it. We would need the email or the bill with the price.

Travel reimbursement will be made during the development of the training course in León

During this whole period, all costs related to food & accommodation, activities and local transport will be covered 100% by the hosting organisation.

WEATHER FORECAST AND THINGS TO BRING

The usual weather in September in Leon is warm, but we will be in a mountains area so it won't be strange a little cold or rainy day. Also the weather can cool down in the evenings.

These are some things that you should bring:

Personal things:

- Clothes: Whatever you need for the entire training course.

- A towel and all the necessary for personal hygiene.
- A sleeping bag or sheets (including bottom sheets).
- Any medicines you might need (we will have basic first aid kit).

For the training course:

- Postcards from your place.
- Maps, cards of your country, town, regions (you can take them back home after)
- Your countries' flags.
- Some snacks, drinks or food from your country or region for the activity in the project in which you will be able to share them with the others participants. You will be able to cook.

HOW TO ARRIVE

You can travel with a low cost company such as EASYJET, RYANAIR, IBERIA EXPRESS, VUELING... which fly to Madrid. Then, you can take the bus in the Madrid Airport to León. For further information about times and prices have a look in the site: www.alsa.com

Also you can move by train or subway to “Madrid Chamartín train station” (Subway: 30 minutes aprox. / Train: 15 minutes aprox.). Then, you can travel by train to Leon. For further information about times and prices you can have a look in the site: www.renfe.com. We recommend you to ask for the train ALVIA from Madrid to Leon which is cheap and fast. Finally, there is a small airport in Leon with some weekly flights to/from Barcelona.

Anyway, we will be ready to pick up you at the bus or train station when you arrive to León.