

# CONCORDIA

# **CALL FOR PARTICIPANTS**

# « CARE » (Children And their Rights in Europe)

Key Action 1 Erasmus +: Mobility of Youth Workers

# **Training Course in Lyon, France**



## DATES:

From 17th to 24th of April 2022

# **LOCATION**: Lyon (France)

Lyon is the third biggest city in France, located in Auvergne-Rhône-Alpes region.

Lyon is one large World Heritage Site, with a big renaissance old town, Roman ruins, historic industrial districts and the regal 19th-century Presqu'île quarter.

The accomodation will be at the **CISL of Lyon**; this center is part of the Ethic-Etapes network, involved in a social and solidarity-oriented economy.

The participants will be accommodated in rooms of 2 people with individual beds. Sanitary facilities and showers will be in the rooms.

Meals will be served in the Center.

The group will have a room at their disposal for the training's activities. The outdoor areas may also be used for some group activities.

Some excursions may be organized during the week to discover the beautiful city of Lyon.

Website of the Center for more informations: https://www.cis-lyon.com/en/





#### **PARTICIPATING COUNTRIES**

France, Portugal, Greece, Croatia, Estonia, North Macedonia, Poland, Spain

#### **PARTICIPANTS**

21 participants : 2 from Croatia and Estonia / 3 from France, Greece, Poland, Portugal, North Macedonia and Spain

Plus 2 french trainers from Concordia (experienced youth workers).

Groups of participants from each country should be gender balanced if possible.

Target group: Youth workers/youth leaders/volunteers mentors from 18 years old involved and/or interested in youth work. Interested in developing their skills and knowledge in the topic of children rights. We want to include participants with fewer opportunities.

Good knowledge of English language would be useful to be able to actively participate to the training course.

**LANGUAGE:** English

#### **BACKGROUND OF THE PROJECT**

Concordia is an organization of non-formal education, which promotes intercultural exchanges. Our traditional activity is the organisation of international workcamps, and one of its main goals is to allow participants to get open-minded and develop non-formal skills such as autonomy and self-confidence, by meeting and living for few weeks with people from all over the world with different cultural and social background and doing a voluntary work.

Since its creation, Concordia has gradually expanded its area of action and its links with local and international associations to promote active citizenship and popular education to face the challenges to come. Through our projects, we create a network of citizens motivated to transform the society by acting in different and conscious ways and at different levels.

This Training course project comes from our wish to mix intercultural exchanges with the awareness on children rights. We hope that the participants will be motivated to tackle this issue with us, confront their points of view, to make this Training course as one more step for building a more equal society where Youth Workers take an active part in raising children and young people's awareness about their rights.

# **PROJECT DESCRIPTION**

Human Rights are for all, nevertheless, children are more vulnerable and their rights are frequently violated with impunity as a consequence of their defenselessness. To enforce the respect of children's rights, they need our support, as adults, and our involvement to answer their specific needs. The Convention on the Rights of the Child adopted in 1989 aims to ensure that children's rights are respected. However, children are not seen as equals to adults, in several countries and contexts, their word is still insufficiently valued and listened to, hence their rights are often flouted.



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We organize the CARE training course (Children And their Rights in Europe), to promote children's rights; we aspire to create a common framework to guide the action of international organizations in matters of the promotion of Children's Rights. We expect to achieve better access to rights and, thus, more equal society in the European and international level.

## MAIN OBJECTIVE

This project has as main objective to develop the knowledge, tools, and competences of the youth workers who are connected to the promotion of children's rights and to train them for the implementation of awareness-raising activities with children.

## SPECIFIC OBJECTIVES

- To enable youth workers to become aware of the need to set up activities around education on children's rights by discovering their history;
- To reflect on the place of the child in society, and the need to listen to their voice;
- To provide a space for youth workers to share their own working contexts, experiences and challenges regarding the respect of children's rights;
- To equip participants with tools and methods that will enable them to develop new actions and projects with the children and young people they work with
- To collectively assess the perception of children's rights education in Europe and the rest of the world, and the challenges that we still have to face;
- To raise awareness on the specific rights of protected children; to contribute to making children's rights an educational leverage in institutions and services involved in child protection.

#### **METHODOLOGY**

The methodology and structure of the European Training will encourage an active involvement of each participant in order to develop competences and new tools for their personal and social development. Non-formal education tools will be used to create a friendly and caring atmosphere, considering each participant in his or her diversity, personality and culture, so that each person can feel free to express him(her)self, share his or her experiences, teach and learn from the others.

The non-formal methods that will be used during the training will include theoretical inputs, informal games to strengthen group cohesion, collective intelligence workshops, debates, simulation games, meetings with local experts working on the topics, exchange of practices between youth workers, workshops based on self-learning process...

These workshops will allow participants to discover new ways of expression, encouraging their creativity while stimulating aptitudes such as teamwork, problem-solving, IT abilities, and presentation skills.

The participants will discover and test tools and methods for raising awareness of children's rights. They will reflect on the adaptation of certain activities for the public of protected children (in the framework of child protection). They will also work collectively on the drafting





of a Charter of Rights for protected children, which will serve as a basis for further collective work after the training.

#### **FINANCIAL CONDITIONS**

All the costs for food and accommodation as well as the program costs will be covered by the organizers.

The travel costs return to Lyon will be covered within the following limits depending on the departure country (based on the European Union distance calculator):

| Amount   |
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| For travel distances between 100 and 499 KM:<br>180 EUR per participant      |
| For travel distances between 500 and 1999 KM:<br>275 EUR per participant     |
| For travel distances between 2000 and 2999<br>KM:                            |
| 360 EUR per participant For travel distances between 3000 and 3999 KM:       |
| 530 EUR per participant  |
| For travel distances between 4000 and 7999<br>KM:<br>820 EUR per participant |
| For travel distances of 8000 KM or more:<br>1100 EUR per participant         |

Please note that the process of reimbursement will be carried out directly with the applicant organizations and not with the individual participants, after receiving all the tickets and payment proofs. This process should take about 3 months after the training.

## **DEADLINE FOR APPLICATIONS:**

20th of March 2022

The detailed info-pack including the preliminary planning, the logistical details and the travel tips to reach the Center will be sent to the chosen participants after the selection

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