

Call for partners

1. Details of the project

- **Funding programme**: Erasmus+¹ Key Action 2 Strategic partnership for youth
- **Duration and dates**: 19 months (01/01/2017 31/07/2018)
- Deadline to participate on the selection of partners: 18/04/2016

2. Partners wanted

4 partners currently running participation and inclusion projects <u>on rural areas</u> for the social integration of young people. Candidates can be NGOs working on the intercultural inclusion of youth through non formal education, research and training youth centres focused on non formal education, public bodies at any level working on programmes for youth, or any kind of entity related to the youth sector on small regions or areas involving different villages or towns. Candidate organisations <u>must be</u> located and registered in any of these countries:

Belgium Bulgaria Czech Republic Denmark Germany Estonia Ireland Greece France Croatia Italy Cyprus Latvia Lithuania

Luxembourg Hungary Malta Netherlands Austria Poland

Portugal Romania Slovenia Slovakia Finland Sweden United Kingdom

3. About Bitartean Jolasean

Bitartean Jolasean is a non-profit organisation created in Oion (North of Spain) in 2008 focused on the integration and education of young people independently of their social or cultural background. It offers support to different villages located on the rural area of Rioja Alavesa and aims to achieve the inclusion of all its inhabitants through the active participation of the population of the region but paying special attention to the interaction of the different ethnic groups living on it. Its main objectives are:

- To promote the personal development of young people and their education through leisure time, training and intercultural activities.
- To develop the relation parents-children through shared activities that could involve both target groups and all the local society thanks to intergenerational initiatives.
- To promote the Basque language as a way of communication among young people.
- To increase the intercultural understanding among the different social groups of Oion and the region of Rioja Alavesa.

¹ http://ec.europa.eu/programmes/erasmus-plus/



4. Summary of the project

The proposed project is a 19-month partnership at international level that aims to join together organisations from different countries but working on the development of youth services in rural areas. The idea is to work together and exchange good practices related to the training of young people on the associative field and the creation or implementation of youth initiatives.

To achieve this, partner organisations will design and develop different intellectual outputs and workshops to provide concrete competences to young people to create their own organisations, working networks and initiatives to develop their inclusion or participation on areas with a lack of services or opportunities for them. The materials and training sessions to be created will deal with topics such as creation and registration of youth entities; management of youth and volunteering projects in rural areas; funding management for youth entities and youth projects justification; promotion of youth participation; networking; European funding for youth projects; etc.. Even if these workshops will be especially focused on training young people on rural areas and the cooperation among youth groups through networks on small regions, these materials will be suitable for any kind of young person who aims to acquire horizontal skills for the creation of his/her own association or initiatives to promote the participation of young people on areas that demand a social development.

During the project implementation, partner organisations from 5 countries (Spain + 4 more countries) will run together different activities such as:

- Coordination meetings (x3) on the project partner countries in order to get to know the best practices and local projects related to youth participation, entrepreneurship on the social sector and youth initiatives.
- Design, creation, test and publication of different materials for organisations managing groups (formal or informal groups) of young people, who aim to develop their personal and entrepreneurship skills.
- Local meetings on different parts of each partner region to meet the target group of the project and establish the needs of the young people of each area on youth participation.
- A transnational training course (x1) for youth trainers to capacitate them on the use of the project outputs and materials.
- Local activities for learners (young people) interested on improving their personal competences and professional profiles on the youth sector.
- Multiplier events (x1 per partner) on each partner country to disseminate the project results.

The work of the partnership will give the opportunity to all partner organisations to access to quality and innovative learning materials specifically adapted to their target groups, therefore ensuring that no one living in a rural area becomes a person at risk of social inclusion and promoting their professional and personal growing through cooperative initiatives.



5. Objectives

- To promote the cooperation between European organisations on the field of non formal and formal youth education and create a network of partners for the development of mobility or learning projects for young people.
- To learn more about local or international projects for learning on rural areas focused on the acquisition of new personal competences and/or professional skills through non formal education methods targeted to the creation of youth associations or youth initiatives.
- To exchange methodologies focused on different target groups of young people.
- To create new learning pathways for organisations working on the education of young people on non-developed regions that could make possible to promote their social inclusion, personal growing and professional career.
- To promote the entrepreneurship and initiative of young people by involving them on peer education projects.
- To enhance the quality and relevance of the learning offer in youth education by developing new innovative approaches and the dissemination of best practices.
- To foster the provision and the assessment of key-competences for young people, including basic and transversal skills such as entrepreneurship, projects management, European funding programmes or ICTs.
- To promote the professional development of those working on the active education of youth using a mixture of techniques and personal support that could improve the capacities of young people on any field.

6. Calendar (provisional)

- January 2016 Project approval and start.
- January 2016 to April 2017 Preparation of the project arrangements, tools and visibility materials.
- March 2017 to May 2017 Creation of curricula skills and education needs list of the target group of the project by all the partners.
- **May 2017** First transnational meeting of the project (1 participant per partner organisation). 2 travelling days + 2 working days.
- May 2017 to September 2017 Local work to prepare the intellectual outputs of the project and that will be tested during its implementation.
- **September 2017 –** Second transnational meeting of the project (1 participant per partner organisation). 2 travelling days + 2 working days.
- October 2017 Transnational training course for trainers (2 participants per partner



organisation). 2 travelling days + 5 working days.

- **November 2017 to December 2017 –** Local meetings with youth organisations and non formal groups of young people to recruit participants.
- **December 2017 to March 2018 –** Testing the materials of the project. Local workshops on each country for young people.
- March 2018 to April 2018 Youth advisory workshops.
- **April 2018 –** Third/final transnational meeting of the project (1 participant per partner organisation). 2 travelling days + 2 working days.
- April 2018 to May 2018 Improvement and final edition of the project intellectual outputs.
- **June 2018 –** Multiplier events in all the partner countries to disseminate the results of the project.
- July 2018 End of the project.

7. Contact and selection of partners

To participate on the partner selection please send the partners form (<u>https://drive.google.com/file/d/0BziveBjFHueBMi1xdVd3aHEya00/view?usp=sharing</u>) filled in by email to <u>callforpartners@gmail.com</u> before the **18/04/2016**.