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PILLAR I: EDUCATION

1. CAPACITY BUILDING & INNOVATION PROJECTS

Discover our projects oriented to increase the capacity of youth work and youth organisations and to innovate in education through the development of new tools, programs and ways of doing things on a wide variety of interesting topics.

2. TRAININGS

Targeting both youth workers and/or youngsters across Europe and beyond to empower, connect and engage in a meaningful way!

YPA CAPACITY BUILDING & INNOVATION PROJECTS

1. Building Bridges

Building Bridges for Youth Empowerment is designed to strengthen collaboration and shared knowledge within the youth sector. Funded under the **Erasmus+** programme, this initiative is uniting five organisations from *Romania, Slovenia, Lithuania, Belgium, and Poland* with the main goal was to improve youth work and to highlight the impact on the community of the youth centres partnering in the project. We wanted all the five organisations from the project to learn from each other on how to cooperate better with the community and to share good practice examples which they can use in their own youth organisations.



17th-19th January
2023- Slovenia

**VISIT TO
IDRIJA
YOUTH
CENTER**

24th-27th April
2023- Poland

**VISIT TO
STOWARZYSZE
NIE
AKTYWNOŚCI
PRZEROZNYCH
NIEMARUDNI.PL**

16th-20th May
2023- Lithuania

**VISIT TO
JAUNUOLIŲ
DIENOS
CENTRAS**

11th-13th Sep.
2023- Romania

**VISIT TO
YOUTH HUB
RAMNICU
VALCEA**



2. Empowering NEETs across Europe: a peer learning approach.

The ENAE project has the aim to ensure that youth workers and youth organisations enhanced their capacities through a peer learning approach, based on the exchange of best practices & knowledge. Through this capacity-building, the partners aimed to increase the activation of NEETs at the local level of each of the national partners; thus fostering their integration into the labor market and broader society.

In line with the main idea of successfully preparing youth workers and increasing their knowledge & capacity to empower NEETs in their country, the project aimed to provide:

1. Tools, networks & resources to the NEETs so that they have the digital skills to gain employment & navigate the digital sphere.
2. Financial literacy & economic empowerment to the NEETs so that they are part of the job market & market contributions towards economic development.
3. Enable the social inclusion of NEETs to counter negative social behaviours from lack of a good support system.
4. Ensure the democratic engagement of the NEETs in EU governance issues.

ACTIVITIES PROPOSED:

**CHECK OUR DEVELOPED
TOOLKIT**
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1. PEER LEARNING

YPA SPAIN- Madrid
22nd-25th January 2023

Focused on the digital activation of NEETs

2. TRAINING FOR NEETs

EKO Greece- Athens
22nd-25th January 2023

To provide direct training for NEETs to increase their digital, economic, social, and democratic capacity for activation.

2. PEER LEARNING

KKS- Ravne na Koroškem
22nd-25th January 2023

How to develop specific projects for NEETs, how to encourage economic inclusion and participation of NEETs, how to provide therapy services to NEETs, how to encourage social inclusion and participation of NEETs in community outreach programs, and how to ensure that the community is aware and can identify discouraged youth and youth workers facing exclusion&needing psychological support, how to provide democratic inclusion and participation of NEETs, and how to ensure that the community is aware&can create platforms for democratic expressions through advocacy campaigns.



3. TRANSFORMING COVID-19 INTO AN OPPORTUNITY: NEW INCLUSIVE DIGITAL JOBS AND TRAINING FOR YOUR PEOPLE IN THE CREATIVE SECTOR

During this 2023, we have culminated our JOVID project, with a Final Conference “JOVID: Boosting Self-employability of young people in the digital sector” taking place on the 30th of March 2023.

MAIN OUTCOMES

Digital Skill Up Tutorial

To professionally rock audiovisual content creation!

JOVID APP

For business to publish their digital job offers and young people to render digital services boosting their economic activation.

Policy Briefing

To communicate to policy makers in a clear and simple manner our study on how self-employability could help to countermeasure youth unemployment in Europe.

Transforming COVID-19 into an opportunity: new inclusive digital jobs and training for your people in the creative sector” or responding to its colloquial name “Jovid19, Digital jobs for a Digital era”, is a project recognising creativity and culture creation as a natural strong point of younger generations and ensuring efforts to create better inclusive training according to the new skill needed to be fostered by COVID19 as well as better employment and self-employment opportunities that will allow youngsters to get economically active.

JOVID
Digital Jobs for a Digital Era

4. EMPOWERING THE YOUTH THROUGH FINANCIAL LITERACY

It's been a very important year for your "Empowering Youth through financial literacy project!!

Starting with an international training for disadvantaged youngsters taking place in Poland (February 2023), to follow up with the development of a MOOC for the online and self-path development of financial literacy skills (May–November 2023), and the development of a policy briefing to showcase new ways of empowering youth through financial literacy and boosting their entrepreneurial activity, the project reached its end through the presentation of all developed education tools in a final conference in Brussels (October 2023) attended by youth workers, youngsters and different stakeholders and policy makers from the education sector.



CHECK OUR PROJECT RESULTS!!



CONCEPTUAL GUIDE

With the key aspects of financial literacy to be mastered by young people.



TOOLKIT

With non-formal activities to boost financial skills and competences on disadvantaged youngsters.



MOOC

To self-path keep update and increase your financial literacy!



POLICY BRIEFING

To showcase new ways of empowering youth through financial literacy and boosting their entrepreneurial activity

The general objectives of this project are:

- Increasing the financial literacy of youth workers directly working with disadvantaged youngsters.
- Increasing social&labor market inclusion and entrepreneurial skills of disadvantaged young people by boosting their competencies&skills on financial literacy through non-formal education tools and methodologies.

Specifically, the project has achieved to:

- Increased the quality and recognition of youth work by improving the financial literacy of youth workers and its integration in youth work practices.
- Develop and sharing effective methods to help youth workers in reaching out to disadvantaged young people through financial literacy activities.
- Increasing general societal literacy and awareness of financial concepts as crucial for employment creation and life-long up-skilling.
- Fostering cross-sectoral cooperation allowing greater synergies across different stakeholders and sectors to ensure the empowerment and inclusion of young people, specifically by developing policy recommendations to boost entrepreneurial activity through an increase of financial literacy.

5. SOCIAL ENTREPRENEURSHIP AS ENABLER OF SOCIAL INCLUSION (SESI)

VISION

The SESI project seeks to promote a model of inclusion of disadvantaged young people, especially those in marginalised communities, by tapping into the potential of social entrepreneurship for revitalisation, solution of local challenges and economic boost. Contextually, it seeks to up-skill youth workers (including those of the consortium) to enable them to be agents of change in their local communities and pass their newly acquired knowledge and skills to the young people they daily interact with.

MISSION

The project has started in 2023 with the programme co-design, the creation of a multi-stakeholders' network and an international forum. Subsequently, learning materials has been developed through webinars and conveyed in audio-visual pills, followed by matching up sessions.

During 2024 , the project will continue with several International learning activities for youth workers and young people together with a 6-months coaching will follow while the mobile app is developed. Finally, results will be presented through a webinar, a policy brief and a final conference in the EP.



IMPACT

The project will result in an increase in knowledge and skills for all the youth workers and young people involved that will ultimately lead to the creation of a collaborative space for seasoned social entrepreneurs and aspiring ones.

The results are also intended at an advocacy and policy-level with the recognition of social entrepreneurship as a tool for social inclusion in youth worn and possibly beyond.

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TRAININGS

Our trainings are designed both for **youth workers** and **young people**, providing learning opportunities for those ones specially suffering from different disadvantaged situations, with the aim to increase their knowledge, skills and competencies on different topics related to **education, empowerment** and **employability**.

Stay tuned to register for our 2024 trainings!



2023 IN A NUTSHELL

28th Jan-2nd Feb
2023- Brussels

19th-23th June
2023- Belgium

24th-25th June
2023- Madrid

6th-10th Nov.
2023- Madrid

**INCREASING
EMPLOYABILITY
OF
DISADVANTAGED
YOUTHS**

**YOUTH WORK
AS KEY ENABLER
OF SELF-
EMPLOYABILITY**

**BUILDING ON
THE EUROPEAN
YEAR OF THE
YOUTH. ACTIONS
WHO STAY
BEYOND 2022.
GETTING
INVOLVED!**

**THE EUROPEAN
YEAR OF THE
YOUTH: HOW
CAN WE HELP
YOUNGSTERS TO
FOLLOW-UP
WITH IT FOR THE
EP2024
ELECTIONS**

PILLAR II: ADVOCACY

Our advocacy actions are oriented to include youngsters into the definition and shape of the EU policies and strategies on education, youth and employment. In addition, they aim to empower youngsters to be democratically active.

* YOUTH GOAL WEBINARS

- ["Connecting the Youth with the EU"](#),
- [Empowering Rural Youth: Showcasing Initiatives and Overcoming Obstacles for Progress](#);
- ["The Power of Non-Formal Education: Exploring its Role in Youth Development."](#)
- ["Paving the Path to Quality Employment: Exploring Europe's Entrepreneurial Ecosystem and Youth Accessibility"](#);
- ["Fostering Inclusive Societies: Promoting Empowerment for Physical and Mental Disabilities"](#),
- ["Empowering Youth through Information and Constructive Dialogue: Nurturing Media Literacy."](#)
- ["Assessing and Promoting Youth-Led Green Initiatives: Collaborative Efforts for Impactful Sustainability at Local, National, and International Levels."](#)
- ["Showcasing Best Practices for Inclusion and Equality aimed to highlight and showcase best practices for promoting gender inclusion and equality."](#)

<Check our policy briefing>
<[Greenwashing in youth organizations. Ensuring impactful procedures and results.](#)>

<Check our youth declaration>
<["The European Year of the Youth- beyond 2022"](#)>

FACE TO FACE MEETINGS WITH MEPS

MEP Tomasz Frankowski (EPP, Poland); MEP Dragoş Pislaru (Renew, Romania); MEP Monica Silvana González (S&D, Spain), MEP Riba i Giner (Greens, Spain) ; MEP Cristina Maestre Martín de Almagro (S&D, Spain); MEP Henrike Hahn (Greens, Germany) have met with our advocacy YouthProAktiv team to further discuss lines of cooperation in the field of education, youth and youth employability.

11 WEBINARS WITH EXPERTS

AIMED TO ENGAGE YOUNGSTERS TO CONTRIBUTE TO THE MATERIALIZATION OF THE YOUTH GOALS

- ["Unlocking Opportunities: Exploring the Diverse Possibilities of the Erasmus+ Program for Youth and Youth Stakeholders"](#)
- ["Empowering Youth: Elevating Mental Health and Wellbeing for Youngsters."](#)

EYE 2023

How to skip the European Youth Event!

YouthProAktiv was on the EYE Village, one more edition, empowering youngsters across Europe through the delivery of a practical and inclusive workshop oriented to enlighten local youngsters and young leaders on the policy framework and possibilities offered by the Erasmus+ program with regards to youth involve on sustainability projects.

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