







DEVELOPING SKILLS FOR THE INCLUSIONITALY - 14 / 21 JAN 2019

Applicant organization

Invasioni Creative is a non profit Association, inspired by the principles of democracy. Its core objectives are sharing, promoting and giving value to art in all of its forms and aspects.

The Association fosters the use of art as a tool to favour dialogue, deepent knowledge and stimulate debate about values such as human dignity, freedom of expression and respect for diversity.

The Association wants to give visibility and develop creativity of every person, including people with disabilities and other disadvantaged groups; mapping social environment to create a network of communication to promote culture. Favouring social inclusion and promoting dialogue and solidarity among cultures, also through different artistic expression forms.

Our beliefs and actions can be reflected in:

- Use of Art as a visual language to develop creative, esthetic and expressive skills
- Promotion of the development of an artistic, ecological and sustainable collective idea; sensibilization and development of the concepts of re-using and recycling, stymulating the art, and encouraging free exchange markets
- Promotion of non formal learning activities, to activate creative paths to share personal and practical experiences
- Growth and development of intellectual and practical capacities through workshops; the ones dedicated to children
- Proposing of workshops on arts and crafts for youth and adults on reusing and recycling old objects
- Promotion of self-produced artistic activities, giving value to crafting, design, photography and painting
- Contributing to social inclusion through art and crafts towards foreigners and immigrants, persons with disabilities and other disadvantaged groups

Summary of the project

"Developing Skills for the Inclusion" is a training course under the Key Action 1 of the Erasmus Plus Programme.

The project tackles one of the most important and common issues that happen every day around us: **exclusion and marginalization**. Too often, people are put under labels: poor, disabled, drug addicted, ex offender, immigrant and so on. This phenomenon is spread even in the social media, as cyber bulling and online hate speech are becoming every day more known and relevant.

The main objectives of the course are:

- to improve the participants' personal and professional development through an experiential path (made of teambuilding, workshops and roleplays) that will raise their awareness about exclusion and marginalisation,
- to explain social exclusion and marginalization from different perspectives, such as diversity, disability and cultural background,
- to provide participants with methods, techniques and tools that will allow them to work in their local realities,
- to share and explore European values in order to encourage integration and active participation at individual and collective levels,
- to create a toolkit of non-formal methods on social inclusion that can be used also by other youth workers in the future.

Methodology: The activities will be based on a non-formal methodology (energizers, team-building, role plays, simulations, intercultura

Participant selection

The project will engage **27 participants from 8 countries**: Italy, Greece, France, Lithuania, Spain, Latvia, Czech Republic and Portugal, with 2 trainers and 2 supporting staff, involved in educational process and logistics.

There will be **3 participants per country**.

The project will also engage at least 8 participants with fewer opportunities, arising due to economic, geographic, social and cultural obstacles.

The target groups of the participants include:

YOUTH WORKERS: the project will engage those delivering activities for youth in partner organisations including the ones providing training for youth workers and young people in the field of social inclusion, youth participation, citizenship, human rights education and other areas that overlap with the concept of social inclusion.

LEADERS AND ACTIVE MEMBERS OF YOUTH ORGANISATIONS:

Youth leaders already involved and committed in activities implemented by organizations which daily deal with exclusion and marginalization.

Participant selection

THE PARTICIPANTS ARE REQUIRED TO:

- having an intermediate/advanced English level
- having partecipated **at least to 3 training courses** (as part of organization or part of supporting staff team)
- being active members of the own local community (as a volunteer or as a worker)

The **gender balance** will be one of the criterion considered for the selection.

The process aimed to choose the profile of the participants will be developed in 2 phases:

- 1) a first screening of the application forms received
- 2) a **video interview** with the trainer/facilitators

You can find the **application form** to fill here: https://goo.gl/forms/p5NEXiiW640v93lX2

NOTICE: all the phases of the selections will be followed by the trainer in charge, the facilitators and the partners involved.

Deadlines for selections and travel arrangements as follow:

First selection: 20th of October Second selection: 3rd of November

Travel arrangements within 10th of December

Dissemination

The participants of the training course will be invited to share their experience gained during the project with their peers in different ways:

- Using all the materials that are filmed and shot during the working week, we will compile a video of the overall of the activity, adding interviews of the participants.
- Oral presentations in various events organisation by project partner and other organisations

The project partners will prepare and disseminate press releases presenting the main results of the project to the local media.

They will also publish them on their social media and websites.



Financial Procedure

During all the activities of this project, the financial rules will follow the rules of Erasmus Plus programme as follow:

Each participant will receive 100% of his/her reimbursement only after:

- Presentation of travel documents (boarding passes, invoices and tickets).
- Filling of the official mobility tool report.

NOTICE: Do NOT buy any ticket without our confirmation or permission, before to buy the tickets you should always address to us and send us travel plan of the participant and ONLY after our authorization you can proceed.

All the amounts foreseen by the project were calculated according to the official address of each organization.

NOTICE: The travel reimbursement will be done by bank transfer only to the partner organization accounts for group of participants, according to the rules by the Italian National Agency.

THE ITALIAN NATIONAL AGENCY IS NOT ACCEPTING ANY STOPOVER IN ANY CITY AROUND EUROPE OR IN ITALY. SO, IN CASE YOU WOULD LIKE TO BOOK A TICKET ARRIVING BEFORE OR STAYING MORE IT HAS TO BEEN AGREED WITH THE HOSTING ORGANISATION "INVASIONI CREATIVE".

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COUNTRY	ORGANIZATION	TRAVEL GRANT PER PARTECIPANTS
Italy	INVASIONI CREATIVE	€ 0
France	D'ANTILLES ET D'AILLEURS	€ 820
Czech Republic	ASOCIACE DICE	€ 275
Greece	EN.O GREECE	€ 275
Latvia	DONUM ANIMUS	€ 275
Lithuania	UNIQUE PROJECTS	€ 275
Cyprus	CYPRUS NEUROSCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY INSTITUTE	€ 275
Spain	AJ TEMP <mark>US</mark>	€ 275
Portugal	CONEXÃO JOVEM	€ 275

About the venue

The project will be hosted at **Hotel Salus** in Montecatini.

- You'll be accommodated in triple or quadruple room;
- Hotel provide towels;
- In rooms you will be divided by gender;
- Hostel have Wi-Fi, in the near area of the hotel are many bars, café and restaurants with free Wi-Fi.
- You will have guaranteed dishes (breakfast, lunch, dinner) that will reflect the culture of Italian cuisine and 2 coffee breaks per day (mid-morning, mid-evening)

Here the link of the hotel will host the participants in the heart of Montecatini: http://www.bertinihotelgroup.it/salus_it.html



How to get there

We do remember you that arrival day has to be 14th and departure on 21st of January 2019.

Montecatini is very close to the airport of Florence but there are a few routes so we suggest these 2 solutions:

- **1) Galilei International Airport in Pisa** is the closest to the city of Montecatini.
- Once you reach Pisa Airport, take the bus that takes you to Florence.
- After take the train to Montecatini Terme-Monsummano.
- 2) Another very near and comfortable airport to reach Montecatini is **Bologna G. Marconi Airport**.

Arriving to Bologna Airport the easiest way to get Montecatini Terme-Monsummano is:

- take the bus to Bologna Centrale Station
- take the train from Bologna Centrale to Montecatini Terme-Monsummano. It will not be a direct train and you will have to change train in Florence or Prato (depends on the time you arrive and the coincidences of the trains)

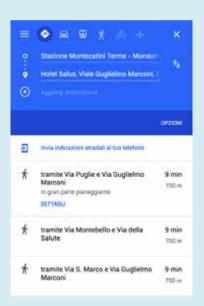
For more information visit this websites:

http://www.trenitalia.com/tcom-en https://www.flixbus.it/

Try searching for the most convenient and convenient route on skyscanner, momondo, volagratis or expedia!

How to get there

When you arrived to **Montecatini Terme-Monsummano station**, you need to walk 9 minutes on foot as in the map below.





What to pack

We suggest you to consider that in Montecatini, in January, the temperature ranges are between **-2°C** (night) and **4°C** (day), so, we suggest you to bring comfortable clothes and shoes.

These are recommended things to bring with you:

- **Health insurance** (or E111 card if you are from an EU country).
- Don't forget to bring with you any **medicine** you might need even if we hope it will not be necessary.
- Bring something which can represent your country at the best during **INTERCULTURAL NIGHT** (short presentation, food, drinks, clothes, flag, booklets, PowerPoint presentations, pictures, posters, etc.).

Keep in mind, though, that there will not be a kitchen and there will be no possibility to cook.

The Hotel **is not** providing any personal care products (shampoo, toothpaste, bath foam etc.), please remember to bring it with you.

The hair dryer is in every room.

Communication

To facilitate the communication between all, we have created the official Facebook group of the project.

Please add yourself to the group through the link:

https://www.facebook.com/groups/2336501496377169/

Official mail of the project:

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Other useful Contacts (for extreme cases):

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