

**The 2<sup>nd</sup> European event of EGL**

**5-7 June 2018**

**Pestana Cidadela Cascais**

Avenida D. Carlos I 2750-310 Cascais - Portugal

The agenda and content of the event

## Agenda

### 5 June (Tuesday)

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| 10:00-14:00        | Registration of participants   |
| 10:00-12:00        | Optional free-time activities offered by the municipality of Cascais   |
| <i>12:00-14:00</i> | <i>Lunch (BOI NA BRASA, AdressTv. Alfarrobeira 2, 2750-079 Cascais)</i>  |
| 14:00-15:30        | <p><b>The opening of the event</b> (<i>Pestana Cidadela, Sala Aias</i>)</p> <p>Opening words of the host</p> <p>'Europe Goes Local': the state of play and broader context of the project, by Koen Lambert, Director of JINT vzw, the Flemish National Agency of the Erasmus+ youth programme</p> <p>The Council of Europe's Youth Sectors' contribution to the development of Youth Work, by Anja Olin-Pape, Chair of the Advisory Council on Youth, Council of Europe</p> <p>The EGL community – an interactive opening</p>  |
| <i>15:30-16:00</i> | <i>Coffee break</i>  |
| 16:00-17:30        | <p><b>Thematic seminars</b> (in parallel)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Inspiring Quality Youth Work – using indicators to strengthen the quality of youth work by Jonas Agdur, the Chairman of InterCity Youth (<i>Pestana Cidadela, Sala Aias</i>)</li> <li>• Challenges of developing Youth Policy in cities as Lisbon by Sérgio Xavier, Freelance expert (<i>Pestana Cidadela, CC Club</i>)</li> <li>• Effectiveness dialogue in North Rhine Westfalia by Martina Leshwange, Expert advisor to the Land youth office, North Rhine Westfalia (<i>Pestana Cidadela, Mandarin II</i>)</li> <li>• Learning to become a youth worker in different architectures of youth work by Tomi Kiilakoski, Senior researcher, Finnish Youth Research Network (<i>Pestana Cidadela, Mandarin I</i>)</li> <li>• The educational pathways of youth workers – focus group discussions in the framework of a research project, by Dunja Potocnik, Sladjana Petkovic, Ondrej Barta and Marti Taru youth researchers, members of PEYR (<i>Pestana Cidadela, Milicia &amp; Arquivo Histórico Municipal de Cascais – Casa Sommer, Adress: Av. da República nº 132 2754-475 Cascais</i>)</li> </ul> |

17:30-19:00 **Working in national teams** (*Pestana Cidadela, Cisterna & workshop rooms*)

Finalizing the presentations for the networking session of the following day

19:00-20:30 *Dinner (CONVERSAS NA GANDARINHA, Lda/ CENTRO CULTURAL DE ASCAIS, Av. Rei Humberto II de Itália 2750- 642 Cascais)*

### 6 June (Wednesday)

9:30-10:30 "The Youth Work Lobbyist: Shaping Government Relations and Making Politicians Listen" input by Professor Dr. Marco Althaus, Technical University of Wildau (<http://www.marcoalthaus.de/>) (*Pestana Cidadela, Sala Aias*)

10:30-10:45 *Coffee break*

10:45-11:45 6 discussion groups: Towards a European Charter on Local Youth Work (in parallel) – an exchange about the draft text:

1. The core principles that should guide youth work (*Pestana Cidadela, Sala Aias*)
2. The policy development process of local youth work (*Pestana Cidadela, CC Club*)
3. The organisation of local youth work (*Arquivo Histórico Municipal de Cascais – Casa Sommer, Adress: Av. da República nº 132 2754-475 Cascais*)
4. The practice of local youth work (*Pestana Cidadela, Mandarin II*)
5. Youth workers (*Pestana Cidadela, Milicia*)
6. The quality development of local youth work (*Pestana Cidadela, Mandarin I*)

11:45-12:00 *Break*

12:00-13:00 6 discussion groups: Towards a European Charter on Local Youth Work – an exchange about the draft text (in parallel, themes: see above)

13:00 - 14:30 *Lunch (BOI NA BRASA, AdressTv. Alfarrobeira 2, 2750-079 Cascais)*

14:30-15:30 The future Charter as a supporting tool in local youth work. Discussing perspectives and opinions. (*Pestana Cidadela, Sala Aias*)

15:30-16:00 *Coffee break*

16:00-18:00      Networking session: an exhibition about the achievements and future cooperation ideas in EGL. (*Pestana Cidadela, Cisterna*)

19:00-20:30      *Dinner (BOI NA BRASA, AdressTv. Alfarrobeira 2, 2750-079 Cascais)*

### **7 June (Thursday)**

9:30-10:30      The ETS Competence Model for Youth Workers to Work Internationally and its potential for youth work, by Rita Bergstein, SALTO Training and Cooperation Resource Centre @JUGEND für Europa (*Pestana Cidadela, Sala Aias*)

10:30-11:00      *Coffee break*

11:00-12:00      Feedback from the sessions of the previous days (*Pestana Cidadela, Sala Aias*)

Identifying future steps within EGL

Closing the event

12:00-14:00      *Lunch (BOI NA BRASA, AdressTv. Alfarrobeira 2, 2750-079 Cascais)*

### **Aims, objectives and content of the event**

**The second European event of the project hosted by the Portuguese Erasmus+ youth National Agency that will bring together the National Working Groups of the Europe Goes Local project.**

#### **The main pillars of the event**

- One of the main goals of the project is to develop a document, the European Charter on Local Youth Work (*working title of the document*). A broad-based consultation process is taking place from March 2018 until May 2019 when the Charter is planned to be launched. This conference is a forum to exchange views on the first draft of the Charter and its purpose in developing local youth work.
- The Europe Goes Local strategic partnership is a framework to encourage European level cooperation and networking, building concrete partnerships. The participants of the event are invited to
  - create concrete co-operations;
  - develop specific ideas especially in an international context;
  - present offers and demands regarding new Erasmus+ projects.

An exhibition will be the form of presenting actual plans as well as offers and demands for future cooperation.

- We also aim to offer some opportunities for building knowledge, creating discussions and sharing experience about the key issues of local level youth work. A thematic approach is ensured during the event in relation to local level youth policy, youth policy-making and youth work policy-making.

#### **The participants of the event**

- Representatives of European and other institutions
- National delegations with the following profile:
  - decision-makers of municipal level youth work and youth policy (municipal staff)
  - professionals, experts working in municipal level youth work (municipal staff)
  - professionals with a diverse range of expertise reflecting on the needs of municipal level youth work (experts working in NGOs, institutes – non-municipal staff)
  - representatives of youth councils
  - researchers who are involved in studies on municipal level youth work
  - representatives of networks, umbrella organizations dealing with municipal level youth work
  - NA staff

According to the registrations, more than 50% of the participants attended the Kick-off event of the project that was held one year ago and 70% of them are members of the National Working Groups, implementing activities at the national and European level.

## Themes and sessions

### Thematic seminars (in parallel)

- Inspiring Quality Youth Work – using indicators to strengthen the quality of youth work by Jonas Agdur, the Chairman of InterCity Youth

The booklet *Inspiring Quality Youth Work* contains a practical “bank” of indicators and a work process that will help youth work providers to set and work with quality indicators. In this work shop the participants will get a presentation of the booklet and the chance to test the material. After the work shop they will be well prepared to go back home and use indicators as a way to strengthen the quality and recognition of youth work. They will of course also get a printed version of the booklet.

- Challenges of developing Youth Policy in cities as Lisbon by Sérgio Xavier, freelance expert

This session maps possible obstacles when developing youth policy in large cities and highly competitive City Councils, while proposing possible approaches to these obstacles. Participants explore typical internal dilemmas in local governments related to youth policy conception, implementation and evaluation. Possible approaches to these challenges are then discussed in the final part of the session, coming from the experience of the participants.

- Effectiveness dialogue in North Rhine Westfalia by Martina Leshwange, Expert advisor to the Land youth office, North Rhine Westfalia

The participants of the session will learn about the conditions and structure of effectiveness dialogue in North Rhine Westfalia and a dialogue will be conducted about indicators for quality development in local youth work. Examples of local practice will also be shared.

- Learning to become a youth worker in different architectures of youth work by Tomi Kiilakoski, Senior researcher, Finnish Youth Research Network

How does one learn to be a youth worker? In the process of learning any individual youth worker will become a member of a larger community of youth work, and while doing so he or she absorbs the knowledge, ethos, concepts and methodologies held dear by this community. The educational paths of any individual youth worker – as important as they are – are dependent on the larger community around them. Different communities around Europe have different resources. Following Australian philosopher, Stephen Kemmis, these resources can be called practice architectures. According to this perspective, all the communities are built on ways of talking, on social and political practices and also on concrete material facilities and resources available. If youth work is a house, the outlook of this house is based on the materials and infrastructure available. In this session the different European practice architectures are discussed based on the study commissioned by the Partnership. The aim of the session is to understand better the practice architecture of youth work in different European realities and to provide recommendations what could be done better.

Reference document: [Diversity of Practice Architectures of Education and Career Paths for Youth Workers](#)

- The educational pathways of youth workers – focus group discussions in the framework of a research project, by Dunja Potocnik, Sladjana Petkovic, Ondrej Barta and Marti Taru youth researchers, members of PEYR

In 2017 the EU-CoE youth partnership carried out a study on education and career paths for youth workers involving the European Knowledge Centre on Youth Policy (EKYP), representatives of ministries and non-formal sector from 40 countries. The results have been analyzed in a report which underwent further consultation and is in final stages of publishing. In 2018, the second phase of research will continue looking into the perspective of youth workers themselves and the one of educators/employers/organisers of paid or volunteer youth workers. This workshop will explore important phases in a youth worker's education and practice support.

### **Plenary inputs**

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