DRAMA TOOLS FOR SHAPING YOUTH

Iași, Romania, November 15th – November 24th, 2018

Youth ALMA Association

About the project

The idea of this project aroused during the debates within a Training Course implemented by our association in 2017 regarding the situation of the discriminated young people in Europe. One of the main discriminated groups was identified as being **long-term unemployed youth**. We realized that in this category we often find immigrants, young people from rural areas, NEETs and those that have low educational level. We observed that they often feel discriminated, inferior and suffer from lack of self-confidence.
To better understand the problem we analyzed various studies. We started with the Report of European Foundation for the Improvement of Living and Working Conditions (Eurofound) which provides un updated profile of the youth labor market. In 2016, 5,5% of the active population of young people in Europe, aged 15-24 years were long-term unemployed. Almost 1,3 million young people in the EU were out of work and actively seeking employment for at least 12 months.

This is a training course that will take place in Iasi, from **November 15th - 24th, 2018** in Iasi, Romania and involves 6 youth organizations that found a common need – youth workers have difficulties in applying nonformal methods in order to diminish long-term unemployment among youth.
The project is implemented by Asociatia YOUTH ALMA, Iasi, Romania with the support of 5 international partners:

- CREACTA Association – Bulgaria
- Come pensiamo. Etnografia e formazione. – Italy
- Kobiety.lodz.pl – Poland
- ASOCIACIÓN PARA LA PARTICIPACIÓN, OPORTUNIDAD Y DESARROLLO – Spain
- Belen Kaymakamligi - Turkey

Aims and objectives

"Drama Tools for Shaping Youth" is a Training Course which aims to develop the youth workers skills in using nonformal methods to reduce long-term unemployment among youth.
By the end of the course participants will:

- increase their knowledge and awareness on how they can address the needs of long-term unemployed youth to facilitate their social inclusion;
- will enrich their drama skills (Forum Theatre and Improv Theatre) in implementing and adapting nonformal methods when working with long-term unemployed youth;
- develop a positive attitude towards the power of using nonformal methods with youth to reduce the long-term unemployment, by sharing and experiencing multicultural practices.

Participants

From each country – **4 participants**
Age: minimum 18
Gender: try to respect the gender balance

In selecting the participants we will follow these indicators:

- Will have priority the youth workers from the partners` organisations. In case they are unavailable the partners will spread the news among the local NGO by sending emails and

by direct contact. In case of need, we will use an application form on Salto Youth and on other online channels;

- Youth workers active in working with young people with fewer opportunities or facing problems in getting a job or maintain it;
- Youth workers with a clear motivation to develop new programs for disadvantaged youth and especially for long-term unemployed youth;
- Youth workers that never participated in E+ will also have priority in selection phase
- Youth workers with a min. medium English level, so they can understand and be active involved in the project activities.

What to bring

We kindly ask you to bring:

- An **OPEN MIND**
- Laptops because there will be sessions when you will need them
- Photo and video cameras, if you have them. We will create a video at the end of the training.
- Clear information (in English if possible) about the main activities of your organization so that you can present it during the training course;
- Map, posters, postcards about your country/region/town to be displayed during the International Evening;
- Videos and pictures of you travelling around your own country;
- Students cards for discounts in local museums.
- Comfortable clothes. The temperature In May, in Iasi, usually is around 18-25 degrees Celsius. It might rain, and so make sure you will have with you appropriate clothes and shoes.

- **Please tell us what size you are because we want to buy T-shirts for all participants.**

Arrival and departure

You are expected to arrive on **November 15th 2018 until around 15:00 in Iasi, Romania**, as the training course starts with lunch, getting to know-session, followed by dinner and a *Welcome Party*.

We will come back with information about the venue.

The departure will be on the **November 24th, 2018** in the morning, after breakfast.
If you decide to come earlier or to depart later with 2 days, you will pay for your accommodation and food.

Training Venue

We will come back with information about the venue.

You should arrive at **training venue** on **15th of November** during afternoon (3pm ± 1hr). If there are more people arriving at similar hours in **Iași Airport**, we can organize to come after you. You can also arrive 2 days before and stay 2 days longer than the 24th of November, but you have to find your own accommodation for the extra days.
You can take the plane, bus or train to reach the destination, but take into consideration the amount of money we can reimburse: 275 euro for Bulgaria, Italy, Poland and Turkey, 820 euro for Spain and 0 euro for Romania.

Here you have a list with taxi companies from Iasi:
RVR Taxi – 004 (0232) 949
Euro Taxi – 004 (0232) 217 217
Parma Taxi – 004 (0232) 941
Lux Taxi: 004 (0232)255 255

Though, if that isn't the best option for you from any reason, we have prepared for you a list of possible ways to get here from Bucharest Airport (in the order of our recommendations).
For the local transportation you can check www.sctpiasi.ro.

If you find direct way from your city to Iasi by plane is the most comfortable way. If not, the most convenient and cheapest way is to arrive in Bucharest, the capital and then choose one of the following:

1. **FLIGHT**
   Bucharest – Iasi;

2. **BUS** Bucharest Airport (Otopeni) – Iași,
   Bus Coach Vama Veche/Codreanu **(A1)** via Massaro (www.massaro.ro); 80 lei one way/140 lei two ways.
   Departures (Otopeni): 06:30, 10:00, 13:00, 16:00, 18:30, 22:30
   Arivals (Iași): 14:46, 18:16, 21:30, 00:00, 02:00, 05:16

3. **TRAIN** Bucharest – Iasi
   Train București Nord – Iași Train Station; prices vary from 69,1 lei to 90,8 lei one way, depending on the booking date https://www.cfrcalatori.ro/en

Travel expenses will be reimbursed by our organization directly to our partner organization from each country. Please make sure you respect the maximum amount of money that we can reimburse:

Country	Amount
CREACTA Association – Bulgaria	**275 euro**
Come pensiamo. Etnografia e formazione. – Italy	**275 euro**
Kobiety.lodz.pl – Poland	**275 euro**
ASOCIACIÓN PARA LA PARTICIPACIÓN, OPORTUNIDAD Y DESARROLLO – Spain	**820 euro**
Belen Kaymakamligi - Turkey	**275 euro**
Asociatia YOUTH ALMA – Romania	**0 euro**

* Please make copies of your tickets and invoices before you will come to the project.

Warning! If the ticket is more expensive you will have to cover the extra costs.

Reimbursement of travel costs will only be done upon full attendance in the TC activity, presentation of the original tickets with boarding passes and receipt/invoices and after completing and sending a full report of the dissemination activities in 2 months after the mobility ends. Any proposals of making the staying shorter or longer should be consulted with organizers.
Reimbursement will be done in EURO, regardless of the currency indicated on your ticket and receipt/invoice.

If you are the type of person that likes to visit museums or that likes to test the local restaurants, shops or other local attractions in your free time, you might need some pocket money. Euro is 4.6 lei (the local currency) and a small beverage is about 2 euros, an entrance to a museum is about the same and a satisfying meal is about 7 to 10 euro. **Be sure to have your student pass or anything that can grant you discounts in museums. You will need it if you want to visit the Palace of Culture.**

How the process of reimbursement works?
Our organization will transfer the money to your sending organization and they will give it to you through a bank transfer. This process can last 1-2 months after the activity is finished.
Please, make sure that you keep all the tickets from the means of transportation you use on your road to Iasi and then back to your country. That means bus tickets, plane tickets, train tickets... just keep all the tickets, because the reimbursement is based on the tickets we get from you.

Last technical thing: you will not be accident/health/personal liability insured by us during your stay in Romania, so you will need to obtain a private insurance in your own country (and make sure you will bring it with you). If you are low on cash, you have the possibility (in case of the health insurance) to ask for the European Health Card which is free of charge and can be procured from your countries (available only for EU member states citizens).

Contact information

If you need help, have questions or need further information please contact:

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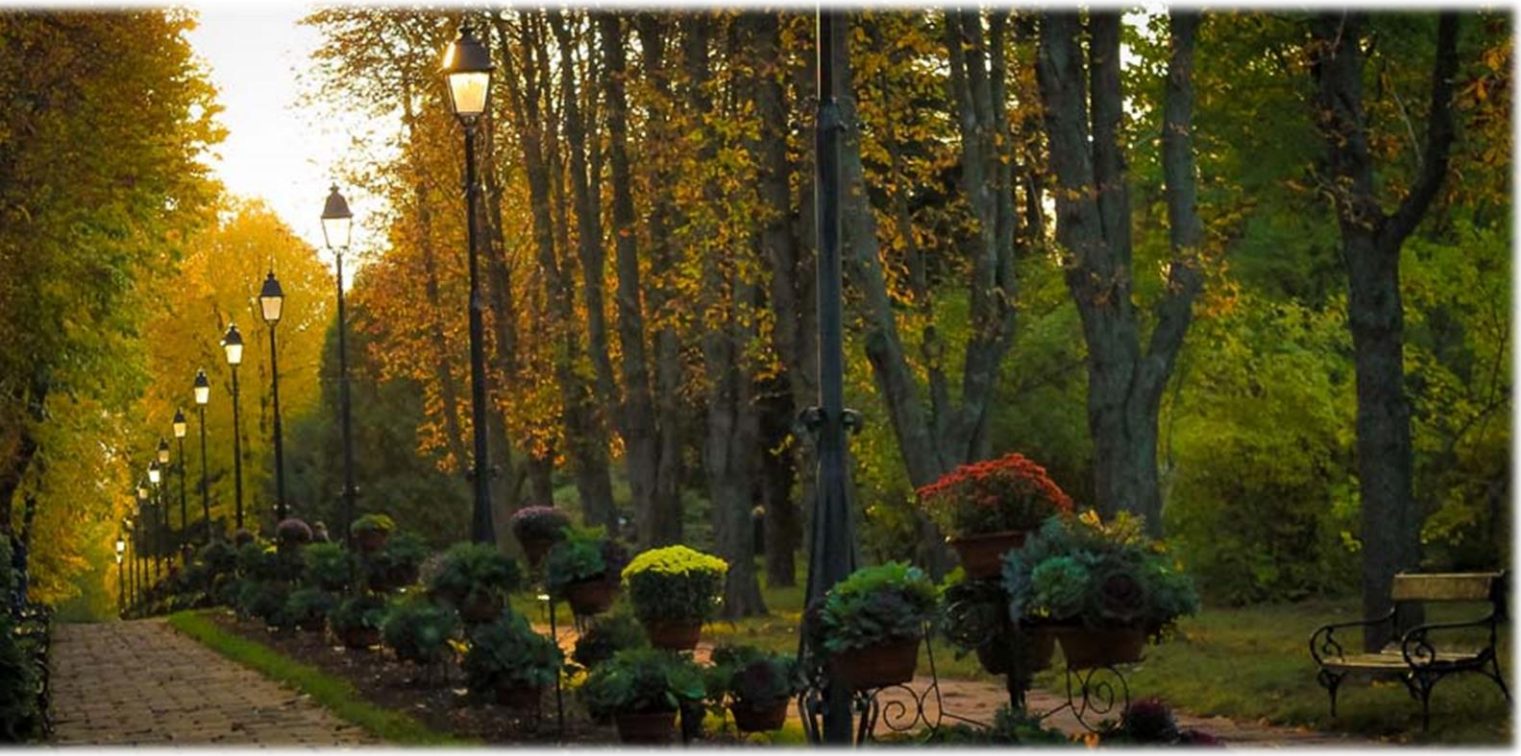
Why Iasi?

Whether you're a neophil or an ancient things lover, Iasi greets you with a variety of choices to visit, from the Palas to commercial and business center, to the oldest buildings in Romania (the first modern university, the first national theatre, 500-year-old churches and monasteries).

Discover the architecture of Iasi, from the Neo-gothic Palace of Culture, to the Neoclassical and Baroque Alexandru Ioan Cuza University & Vasile „Alecsandri National" Theatre, or to simply the Moldavian style of Trei Ierarchi Monastery.

If you fancy walking in nature, the first Botanical Garden in Romania awaits you to step through its alleys and to admire and enjoy the beauties of the autumn, next to Copou Park.



Timetable „Drama Tools for Shaping Youth"
November 15th (Arrival) – November 24th (Departure), 2018

	Arrival	Day 1	Day 2	Day 3	Day 4	Day 5	Day 6	Day 7	Day 8	Departure
9:00 – 10:00	**Arrival**	Breakfast	Breakfast	Breakfast	Breakfast	Breakfast	Breakfast	Breakfast	Breakfast	Breakfast
10:00 – 11:30		Get to know each other and work in teams	Scavenger hunt to discover the local labor market	Improv Theatre basic skills	About Forum Theatre	Rehearsals Forum Theatre representations	3 Forum Theatre representations in 3 high schools	Share good practices with 3 local NGOs, student associations	Youthpass Certificate	**Departure**
11:30 – 12:00		Coffee break		Coffee break	Coffee break	Coffee break	Coffee break		Coffee break	
12:00 – 13:30		Project objectives Fears & expectations		Improv Theatre team work & leadership	Forum Theatre main roles in the play	Drama exercises for amateur actors	Debrief the experiences		Create a dissemination plan	
13:30 – 15:00		Lunch	Lunch	Lunch	Lunch	Lunch	Lunch	Lunch	Lunch	
15:00 – 16:30	Lunch	Situation of long-term unemployed youth in each country	Share what you discover	Improv Theatre public speaking skills	Identify youngsters needs	Rehearsals Forum Theatre representations	Explore the heritage of Iasi	Movie editing	Networking Partnership building	
16:30 – 17:00		Coffee break	Coffee break	Coffee break	Coffee break	Coffee break	Coffee break	Coffee break	Coffee break	
17:00 – 18:30	Get to know each other, rules of venue	Erasmus+ The 8 key competences	Non formal methods	Prepare an improve show	Forum Theatre scenarios	Rehearsals Forum Theatre representations	Explore the heritage of Iasi	Movie editing	Recap and evaluation of the mobility	
18:30 – 19:00		Reflection	Reflection	Reflection	Reflection	Reflection	Reflection	Reflection	Reflection	
19:00 – 20:30	Dinner	Dinner	Dinner	Dinner	Dinner	Dinner	Dinner	Dinner	Dinner	
21.00 +	Welcome	Intercultural night (3 countries)	Intercultural night (3 countries)	Perform an Improv Show in a local coffee	Movie night	Street Animation and Board Games	Free night	TEDx Iasi	Farewell party	