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CONTACT MAKING EVENT

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Contact making event called ProManagment brought together to Pinczow in between 26.8.-1.9. 2015, 24 experienced leaders, trainers, youth workers, project managers from Albania, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Bulgaria, Greece, Italy, Macedonia, Croatia, Portugal, Poland, Serbia, Slovakia and Slovenia.

THE AIM



The main aim was to develop the quality projects for youth activities and the capability of NGOs in the field of work with youth in the frame of Erasmus+ program. Raising cooperation between organizations from EU and Balkan countries, thus augmenting their capability of managing projects in their respective community. Erasmus+ will support transnational partnerships among education, training, and youth institutions and organizations to foster cooperation and bridge the worlds of education and work in order to tackle the skills gaps we are facing in Europe. In the sense of Erasmus+, ProManagment has also comprised opportunity to build a network among organizations active in the youth field, to exchange experiences and make new contacts.

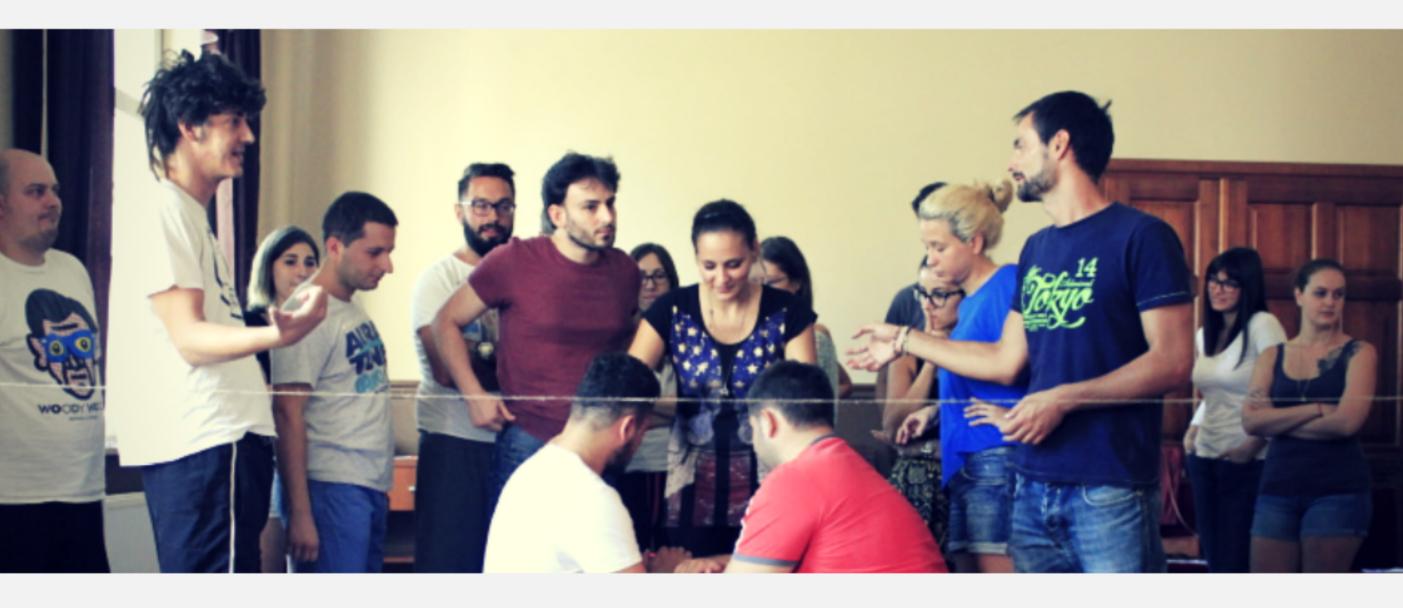




ERASMUS + PROGRAM



Activities mentioned above, are considered as one of the most important in the context of main aims of Erasmus+ program. It aims to boost skills and employability, as well as modernizing education, training, and youth work. The seven year program will have a budget of €14.7 billion; a 40% increase compared to current spending levels, reflecting the EU's commitment to investing in these areas.



Furthermore the mix of cultures definitely facilitates the process of intercultural dialogue and understanding. The gain of such competences will be useful for young people to apply in their life and work, especially in the period in which unemployment has reached incredibly high numbers in Europe.

MIX of cultures

YOUTH pass

The promotion of a tool like a Youthpass, to recognize these competences was also a key point. Youthpass is a part of the European Commission's strategy to foster the recognition of non-formal learning and it is available for projects funded by Erasmus+.







ACTIVTIES



Participants were also involved in different activities through the methodology of non-formal education such as simulations, role-playing, open space discussions, brainstorming, and ice-breakers, all that to point out the importance of good practice in youth work within the frame of Erasmus+ program. In addition, staff of SMIT "CREATOR" enriched the discussions and activities with their knowledge of build of Erasmus+ program and project management, as well as with deep experience with past project writings, they gave valuable insight in this very complex topic.

RESULTS



The result of this contact making event is the creation of strong cooperation and network between EU and Balkan countries in the field of youth within the Erasmus+ program, lastly showing how learning, contact making and exchange of ideas can be serious, but also a fun task.

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