

SEMINAR

“Share, Experience, Get Inspired –

Enjoy the diversity of non-formal learning tools”

Belgium, 24-28 October 2018

CALL FOR PARTICIPANTS

- *Are you a trainer, educator, or youth worker?*
- *Would you like to increase your competences in the non-formal learning field?*
- *Are you ready to enhance your collaboration networks to over 30 trainers from 12 countries?*
- *If you answered 'yes' to the above questions, you definitely need to join our event!*

The International Secretariat of Service Civil International is happy to announce opening of the application process for a seminar for intensive exchange of methods, tools and practices in the field of non-formal learning. **Interested individuals are welcome to apply by 1st September (early bird deadline) or 15th September 2018 (final deadline).**

Seminar in short

The seminar is the main activity of the project **"Share, Experience, Get Inspired! – Enjoy the diversity of non-formal learning tools"** aiming at increasing the capacity of 12 European organisations by supporting the professional development and enhancement of the competences of their youth workers in fostering creativity, participation, sharing, cooperation, mutual learning and innovation in the field of non-formal learning.

With this seminar, we intend to provide you – **youth workers, trainers, activists, educators** – with the opportunity to meet, share tools, learn from one another, establish friendship for future cooperation, while creating a suitable environment for educational innovation, experimenting and improving new tools and methods.

The draft seminar programme can be found at the end of the call.

For whom?

The event will take place from **24th until 28th October 2018 in Belgium** and will gather **34 participants** – youth workers, trainers, activists and educators from **12 European countries – Belgium, Bulgaria, Czech Republic, Germany, Hungary, Italy, Macedonia, Poland, Portugal, Spain, Switzerland and Turkey.**

We believe that the seminar will increase your self-confidence, make your work more efficient by developing your professional competences in the non-formal learning field and also enhance your collaboration networks.

As the ideal participant you should:

- be a youth worker with a strong interest in non-formal learning and its applications; OR/AND be a trainer, educator or/and facilitator working with various target groups such as migrants, refugees and asylum seekers, (young) people with fewer opportunities, minorities, etc.;
- be willing to bring further the results of the seminar, organising a follow-up activity in your home country;
- be a resident in one of the 12 above-mentioned project countries;
- be able to communicate well and work in English;
- with minimum age 18 (no maximum age);
- attend the whole seminar duration (there is no possibility to make exceptions).

We welcome representatives with fewer opportunities.

When?

The seminar will last 5 days. Arrival is foreseen on Wednesday, **24th October 2018 before 3 p.m.** Departure is on Sunday, **28th October 2018 after 1 p.m.**

Where?

The event will be held in Belgium. The seminar venue is to be confirmed – it will be most likely in or around Antwerp.

Methods

The working methods used will be highly participatory and will be based on the principles of adult learning, creating a stress-free and motivating environment where the human brain has a full capacity to learn. An important part and special focus will be dedicated to the workshops run by the participants. All the methods will encourage active participation, creativity, initiative, and responsibility for one's own learning process.

Facilitators

The seminar will be facilitated by 2 experienced trainers, founding members of the SCI Pool of Trainers and Facilitators:

Natalie Jivkova, Bulgaria – a passionate facilitator supporting the learning and personal development of youngsters and adults, with experience on national and international level as she has been part of various pools of trainers and facilitators – European Youth Forum, SCI Pool of Trainers and Facilitators, the Development Center for Human Resource (Bulgarian National Agency for Erasmus+ Programme), South East European Youth Network (SEEYN).

Małgorzata Tur, Poland – sociologist, trainer and educator, certified member of the Polish Association of NGO Trainers, owner of Pracownia Interakcji training company. She has been active in the training field for more than 18 years, supporting individuals and groups to develop their skills and grow. For the last few years she has been exploring the secrets of neuroscience and visual facilitation, to make her trainings even more effective.

Certificates

You will be awarded with a seminar certificate, issued by Service Civil International, as well as with the Youthpass certificate.

Financial conditions

The food and accommodation of the participants will be fully covered. Reimbursement of the travel tickets will be 100% up to the maximum amounts indicated in the rules of the Erasmus+ Programme after the receipt of original documents. Maximum travel reimbursement amounts: 0-99 km = 0 euro, 100-499 km = 180 euro, 500-1999 km = 275 euro, 2000-2999 km = 360 euro. We encourage you to use environmentally friendly transport (bus, train, car sharing) when possible.

SCI's Travel Policy encourages a carbon offset donation if travelling by plane.

How to apply

The applicants are asked to complete an online registration form [HERE](#). The **early bird deadline is 1st September 2018, 23:59 CEST** and applicants will be notified on the results by 6th September. The **final deadline** (for those that need more time to decide whether to apply) is **15th September 2018, 23:59 CEST** and applicants will be notified on the results by 20th September.

Questions?

Please contact the facilitators at scitrainers@sci.ngo.

See you soon in Belgium!

Draft programme of the Seminar
“Share, Experience, Get Inspired – Enjoy the diversity of non-formal learning tools”
24-28 October 2018, Belgium

DAY	1 – Wed, 24.10	2 – Thu, 25.10	3 – Fri, 26.10	4 – Sat, 27.10	5 – Sun, 28.10
08:00-9:00	Arrivals	Breakfast			
9:00-10:30		Role of an educator. Me as a trainer How to be an effective educator?	Workshops by the participants on topics relevant for educators (2 parallel groups)	Online learning and digital tools or not?	Bring forward: follow-up activities Sharing of resources
10:30-11:00		Coffee break			
11:00-12:30		Tips and tricks for working with diverse target groups	Workshops - continuation	What makes us stronger? Challenges in the trainer's work	Evaluation and closure
12:30-14:00		Lunch			
14:00-15:30	Opening of the seminar Getting-to-know each other	Visual facilitation - a step forward in education (workshop)	Workshops - continuation	Creative and experiential education - the only path in non-formal learning?	Departures
15:30-16:00	Coffee break				
16:00-17:30	Various types of learning Secrets of the Youthpass	Visual facilitation - a step forward in education (workshop)	Workshops - continuation	Creative and experiential education - continuation	
17:30-18:00	Reflection and diary time				
18:30-20:00	Dinner				
20:00- ∞	Games? Games. Games!	'Guess My Passion'	Chit-chat night	NFL Party	