



Intercultural Volunteerism Integration



Dear all!

Welcome to the 1st newsletter of the GRUNDTVIG PROJECT:

“Integration, Volunteerism and Adult Learning, through an Intercultural Pathway” – IVALIP

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About the Project

“Integration, Volunteerism and Adult Learning, through an Intercultural Pathway” –

This project aims to build a network of awareness on the need to facilitate the development of intercultural skills in volunteerism as a means to manage diversity and exclusion. Starting by analyzing and quantifying the impact volunteerism has on traditionally socially excluded groups (social risk people, immigrants and minorities with integration difficulties) this project will explore training activities based in non-formal and informal educational methodologies as an inclusive tool.

Project duration: 1st August 2008 – 31st July 2010 (2 years)

Project partners:

1. Portugal – Intercultura-AFS Portugal – coordinator
2. Lithuania – Association LIA / Window to the Future
3. Slovakia – Foundation Institute of Transnational Education and Research
4. Turkey – Giresun Halk Egitimi Merkezi ve Aso Mudurlugu
5. Poland – Polish Humanitarian Organisation

First Meeting in Portugal

The first partnership meeting was hosted by Intercultura-AFS Portugal and held in Lisboa and Leiria, from November 13th to 17th, 2008.

Objectives of the meeting:

1. To present each partner organization;
2. To present each partner country volunteerism situation and local minorities and social disadvantaged groups situations;
3. To share each partner knowledge and experience in the project main issues;
4. To decide about the project's logo;
5. To review the project updating each partner's tasks;
6. To define the evaluation questionnaire;
7. To prepare the next phase activities.

Second Meeting in Poland

The second partnership meeting was hosted by Polish Humanitarian Organization and held in Warsaw, from February 21st to 24th, 2009.

Objectives of the meeting:

1. Presentation and share of the search about educational and learning methodologies for adult learners in lifelong learning;
2. Presentation of the volunteer's life cycle in each partner organization;
3. Presentation of the matrix of the newsletter, brochure, and the web-site;
4. Decide the materials for dissemination (web-site; newsletter; flyer);
5. Organize the seminar structure and decide about contents;
6. Prepare the next phase activities.

Third Meeting in Lithuania

The third partnership meeting was hosted by Association LIA / Window to the Future and held in Vilnius, from May 6th to 10th, 2009.

Objectives of the meeting:

1. Seminar: training for trainers in non-formal education - volunteerism with special populations;
2. Presentation and test in practice of each activities proposed for the workshop; SWOT analyze of the results;
3. Presentation of the virtual game for inclusion;
4. Prepare the contents of the first year project;
5. Check the objectives and the results for evaluation of the aims of the project.

PROJECT PARTNERS



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