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Project Title

Stand Together 4 All



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Topics Inclusion of marginalised young people ; Preventing racism and discrimination

Project Summary

Objectives

ST4A is a youth exchange for young people that will take place in Os de Balaguer, (Spain) between 21 and 29 October 2022, for a total of 9 days, with two days of travel included. We firmly believe that providing information and raising awareness among young people of the social problems in which many people are at risk of social vulnerability is an important tool to create more social awareness, improve the empathy of the "generations of the future" and encourage cooperation to reduce exclusion. That is why the main objectives of our project are:

- To provide information and to make known among young people the situation of social discrimination suffered by many groups in Europe.
- Promote the social inclusion of disadvantaged groups to obtain a more active participation in the community and citizenship and increase their social capital.
- Increase the security and confidence of groups suffering discrimination to participate in social and inclusion activities and be more active in society.
- Encourage the critical thinking of participants through the discovery of different realities, breaking stereotypes and raising awareness about common points.
- Promote the exchange of cultures between people of different ideologies.
- Enhance empathy and cooperation between people from different social classes.

The Stand Together 4 All (ST4A) project is directly linked to the objectives of the Erasmus+ programme and the YouthExchanges for the following reasons:

- Inclusion is promoted, reducing discrimination against groups from disadvantaged situations.
- Promotion of educational mobility among young people to address a social problem and educate around values such as inclusion, cooperation and equity.
- Participants are involved with fewer opportunities coming from disadvantaged areas.
- Promotion of exchange of ideas, culture and knowledge, developing more open and tolerant mentalities with the people of the environment.
- Promoting innovation, "brainstorming" and social entrepreneurship to create new ideas that solve social problems

Activities

The youth exchange will bring together 32 participants (25 youth, 6 leaders and 1 facilitator/support), representing 6 organizations from 6 countries: Spain, Italy, Romania, Poland, Morocco and Egypt. Each partner organization will send 5 participants, Reintegra, as host and organizer, will have a group of 7 people, for logistical and organizational support. For ST4A we encourage the participation of people with fewer opportunities who have suffered discrimination on the basis of ethnicity, ideology, membership of the LGBTQAI+ group or any type of discrimination. Therefore, we encourage our partners to choose at least 2 people with these characteristics. In addition, the profile of participants will be: young people between 18 and 30 years old who are motivated by the subject, want to increase their skills in the field of non-formal education, break stereotypes and promote a more inclusive society with more respect. The leader of each national group has no age limit and must be a responsible person, socially active, conscious and experienced in international programs and with young people with fewer opportunities, to be able to give support to the people of his team.

The methodology used during implementation to achieve the objectives set will be based on:

- GTKEO activities: to know each other.

- Team building: we encourage the creation and growth of the group, with activities that enhance feeling part of a whole and create an atmosphere of safety and comfort.
- Creative methods: through activities such as presentation of the situation in each country, presentation of actions and intercultural nights, they should be creative and original
- Methods of awareness and critical thinking: the aim is to break stereotypes and raise awareness
- Intercultural Learning: Cultural evenings promote spaces of exchange of culture where each country has specific and special characteristics (history, gastronomy, politics, religion...), promoting a better understanding of ideologies, habits and making known particularities of each country, creating more awareness and empathy.
- Verbal and non-verbal communication: learning the importance of language, verbal and non-verbal, when relating. It is necessary to learn to be aware of our way of communicating and how to do it in a more assertive way so that everyone feels included.
- Open Space (Open Space): self-management of time and space and offering the opportunity to teach what participants know.
- Group work: most activities require mixed groups, thus enhancing the development of working skills in international groups and creating more awareness of acceptance of ideas.
- Learning by doing: with tools such as debate and brainstorming, in addition to seeking information on the situation in their countries.
- Active theatre: the main objective of this methodology is to stimulate and encourage communication and help participants to develop their creativity and spontaneity, and to increase their ability to work as a team in the search for collective solutions
- Reflection and self-reflection: key element to be aware of new knowledge and skills acquired
- Evaluation: Participants will be encouraged to share feedbacks first, through daily reflection and through the mid-term and final evaluation session. In this way the coordinators can adapt to the needs of young people and create a more suitable and suitable space for the development of their learning

Impact

The project will bring major improvements and learning at the formal and non-formal level to each and every participant. The development of the theme will allow participants to acquire new knowledge, values and skills and their personal and social growth will be reflected in:

- More quality information on discrimination at European and neighbouring country level Improving values such as respect, tolerance and inclusion
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- Improvement of relationship capacity (social skills).
- Active participation against discrimination of young people in their communities - Increased security and confidence of participants, especially those with fewer opportunities.
- Improvement of the critical thinking of the participants through the discovery of different realities, breaking stereotypes and raising awareness of common points.

Increasing intercultural learning and understanding of different ideologies.

- Improvement of empathy and cooperation between people from different backgrounds.
- In addition to developing the 8 key competences of the Youthpass: multilingual competence, personal and social competences, citizen competence, entrepreneurial competence, competence in conscience and cultural expression, digital competence, mathematical competence and competence in science, technology and engineering and literacy.

Partner organisations will receive the following benefits from participating in the project:

- More information on discrimination at European level, neighbouring countries and national
- More young people involved in their organisation
- More resources for entities - Increase international visibility

- Networking
- More local connections.

The project will generate impact in different territories and at different levels. Each territory will benefit from improving and addressing the issue of discrimination in a more optimal way.

At the local level:

- More involvement of young people in social projects and more social awareness of problems such as discrimination.
- A movement focused on "Non-discrimination" will be created.
- It will give visibility to the Catalan territory and its socio-cultural characteristics.

At regional/national level:

- Improve networking at the state level: Through the participation and relationship of different national entities that collaborate in the project.
- Knowledge of different initiatives and policies on social discrimination.

Internationally:

- Communication in networks and use of digital devices: generating a multiplier effect where information will reach many more people than those involved in the exchange and all information will be online to be used in future or future "second editions" of the project.
- Dissemination events and visualization of results: to give visibility to the project and the results and information on social problems.
- Creation of an online handbook: All information related to discrimination, such as causes, effects, problems, solutions, relevant data in different countries, etc. It will be collected in the creation of an online dossier.
- Cultural impact: Multiculturalism, social inclusion, democracy, openness, mutual respect and tolerance will be some of the values achieved and which Erasmus+ considers of great importance.

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