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Call for facilitator:

European long-term training course “Lobbying for youth work”

Description

‘**Lobbying for Youth Work**’ (LYW) is an European long-term training course, financed through Erasmus+ TCA and organised within the framework of the Strategic National Agency Cooperation ‘Europe Goes Local: Supporting Youth Work at the Municipal Level’. It addresses municipal youth officers and local youth workers who want to strengthen their competences to lobby for youth work in order to actively engage in and influence local youth (work) policy.

In 2019-2020 the German NA has coordinated the first edition of Lobbying for Youth Work, in co-operation with the Latvian, Belgian-Flemish, Austrian and Swiss NA. The learning experience for the participants was very powerful and the outcomes had an impact on the local context of the participants. That’s why, as from January 2022 on, a second edition will be kicked-off, this time co-ordinated by the Belgian-Flemish NA, in cooperation with the German, Latvian, Croatian and French NA.

The aims and objectives of Lobbying for Youth Work:

- to sharpen the profile and political position of youth work,
- to train and qualify municipal youth officers and local youth workers to analyse political frameworks and situations at the local level so they can influence local youth policymaking through political lobbying,
- to encourage the establishment and consolidation of local networks for youth politics (youth policy)
- to create a sustainable training concept at the European level in an attempt to re-politicize youth work/youth policy
- and to explore European impulses for local youth work.

Themes and structure:

‘Lobbying for Youth Work’ offers the participants an intense learning experience, not only because of the long-term character, but also because of the personal action plan (‘big ask’) which is at the core of each participant’s lobbying project.

This leads to a project consisting out of different activities:

- 3 international residential modules based around the pillars of (local) policy field analysis, development of targets, analysis and development of (local) networks and political communication
- 2 complimentary in-between webinars to deepen insights from the international modules
- personal coaching and national group support during the whole project

Participants' profile:

'Lobbying for Youth Work' targets 20 to 24 participants with 4-5 participants for each country. Participants are municipal youth officers and/or local youth workers with a concrete, long-term ambition to change their local context and with an understanding of the structures, values and current challenges of local youth work.

Team composition

A team bringing together different expertise and roles supports the whole project:

- Representatives of the five partner NAs to steer the project
- Facilitator who supports the learning process during the international modules and webinars (see further)
- Expert on youth work and youth policy who delivers content and contributes with feedback and reflection in each of the modules (Prof. Werner Lindner - Ernst-Abbe-Hochschule Germany, with ad-hoc support of other experts)
- National coach for each of the 5 countries who supports the learning process of the participants throughout the whole cycle and who also supports to a certain extent the facilitator during the international modules.

During the preparation process role and task division will be further finetuned, based on the experiences in the first edition of LYW.

Requested facilitator profile

We are looking for a facilitator with following profile:

- Familiar with local youth work
- Experience in facilitating international training activities in the field of youth, both on-site as online
- Experience with shaping and facilitating long-term learning processes
- Familiar with Europe Goes Local either at the European, national or local level
- Team player
- Able to work and write fluently in English
- Able to commit for the full cycle:

- Module 1: January 2022 – hosted in Belgium-Flanders
 - Module 2: April-May 2022 – hosted in Latvia
 - Module 3: November 2022 – hosted in France
 - 2 in-between webinars
- Exact dates will be agreed upon within the team.

Working conditions

Tasks of the facilitator

- Is part of the LYW team and attends preparation and evaluation meetings
- Contributes actively to defining working approaches and methods which ensure the active involvement and support the learning process.
- Prepares the programme flow and methodology for the 3 international modules and the 2 webinars, in cooperation with the team and based on expected outcomes of each module
- Facilitates the programme and the process during the 3 modules and the webinars
- Is responsible for the evaluation design
- Prepares a content report about each module/webinar

As mentioned before, the facilitator will be supported by the team. The materials of the first edition will be available for the facilitator to actively use.

Timeframe

Duration of:

- the 3 modules: 2,5 to 3 full working days each
- the 2 webinars: max. 2 hours each

Note: the support and coaching on national level is within the hands of the national coach and isn't part of the facilitator's role.

Team meetings:

- An online bilateral meeting (NA BEFL/DE and facilitator) to introduce LYW is to be planned at the end of June – early July 2021.
- Preparatory team meeting is planned at the end of August – beginning of September 2021.
- Several shorter team meetings will be planned in between the different activities (online or offline, tbc).

Financial conditions

The facilitator's fee will be calculated on a total set of **22 working days** with a fee of 320 €/day (in total 7040 euro). The fee covers participation in team meetings, preparation, implementation and reporting of each of the international activities (3 international modules + 2 webinars).

Travel costs, board and lodging as well as materials will be covered/provided by the organising National Agencies.

Application & selection procedure

Candidates should send their application via e-mail to inez.adriaensen@jint.be (NA Belgium-Flanders) at the latest by **10 June 2021** including:

- your CV or link to your TOY profile
- your motivation letter in which you explain all experience relevant to this call and the requested facilitator's profile.

You will be informed about the selection by **25 June 2021**.

More information?

- NA Belgium-Flanders: Inez Adriaensen – inez.adriaensen@jint.be (*out-of-office from 6 May until 31 May 2021*)
- NA Germany: Claudius Siebel – siebel@jfemail.de