



POWER OF THE GAME

KA1 – MOBILITY FOR YOUTH WORKERS AND YOUNGSTERS

VELDEN AM WÖRTHERSEE - AUSTRIA

SUNDAY 18TH SEPTEMBER (ARRIVAL DAY) - MONDAY 26TH SEPTEMBER (DEPARTURE DAY) 2016

PARTNERS AND PARTICIPANTS GUIDE



TAKE ME WITH YOU AND DON'T LOSE ME!

WELCOME

Congratulations! You are a partner in the Youth Training “*Power of the Game*” and you are among the 31 participants that will take part at the training. There will be three participants and four trainers/facilitators from Austria, Estonia, Germany, Italy, Netherlands, Poland, Portugal, Spain and United Kingdom will get together!

You are among these participants, because we believe that you will benefit from the training course. As well we believe that you will be the one that can share his/her experience with others and therefore be the source of enrichment for the other participants.

We hope that those 9 days you will spend at “Power of the Game” will be for you a vivid and useful intercultural experience. To achieve this we need to look at some practical needs as well and therefore we have prepared for you this “participants survival guide”, which will help you to answer many questions and as well to prepare for the project.

Read the guide carefully and keep it with you on your travels so you can check the information whenever you need.

We are looking forward to meet you in Pärnu, Estonia.

THE TEAM

If you hoped to see our pictures in this part then we are sorry. You will have to wait until you get to Austria to find this out. However we can tell you that the team of organisers and facilitators is from the Austria, Estonia, Germany and the Netherlands.

And how will we do it? It will be a training course, but not like one where you can sit back and relax. We will use active methods, based on experimental learning in combination with practical theory. This means that you will work in workshops, with role plays and exchange the experiences you have from your day to day work and work on concrete future project plans.

WHAT LANGUAGE WILL WE USE?

Despite many of you speak many different languages the official training language will be English only.

THE PROJECT

The aim of training course is to empower and give youth workers frameworks and space to create and practice educational games of high quality. During the main activity participants will be given the opportunity to be trained as game-architects and facilitators of educational games through experiential and non-formal learning. The participants will have an opportunity to use the experience and practice it during the training course and improve the level of competences as a youth worker and youth educator.

Objectives

- To share a framework for creating educational and experiential games;
- To give participants tools for mapping and identifying needs of their target group;
- To discuss the topic of a game as an educational tool;
- To create a set of educational games in the frame of non-formal learning;
- To share gaming practices for inclusion and entrepreneurial attitude.
- To give participants tools for a creative approach of the topic of youth work;
- To find suitable ways of using creative methods for working with young people;
- To create a game compilation booklet and an on-line resource;
- To give tools of involving youngsters into the game-creation process;
- To empower youth workers/youth leaders to take creative action with young people.

GAME DESCRIPTION (ONE PER COUNTRY TEAM)

Since it is a training course on creating educational games, we expect you to prepare a step by step description in a form of a WORD FILE of an educational game that is often used in your organization or educational facility. It should not be a short energizer, but rather an educational game described in a form that another person can read & implement the game using just the step-by-step description.

INTERCULTURAL EVENING

We are quite a few countries that will be represented during the training course. Thus, we expect creativity in your approach to the Intercultural Evening. The format as follows: maximum 10 minute activity, which would be a traditional, fun game from your country. We say in advance - NO VIDEOS or POWERPOINT, only games, games, games.

NGO FAIR

Bring some materials of your organizations and be ready to prepare and represent the organization and its interests. Would be a great idea to talk to the board of the organization to be sure of project topics, that fit the organization's strategy & experience.

COSTS

There is a participation fee of € 30,- per participant (this will be taken from the travel reimbursements). Board, lodging and programme costs will be provided and paid 100% by grant from the the Austrian Erasmus+ National Agency. But it is recommended to have a disposal for drinks, small shoppings, etc.

We have a budget for travel costs. According to the restrictions of the Erasmus+ Programme we can only refund up to some of the travel cost, if the following points are fulfilled:

- Your travel route is from your home town to the venue in Austria (Velden) and back (if you are not travelling from your hometown, contact us previously).
- You have chosen reasonable and economic means of transportation (e.g. APEX or student fares for flight tickets, cheap airlines, 2nd class trains).
- Your travel dates are according to the programme (one day plus or minus is O.K., if you can prove that this transfer is cheaper, in other cases please contact us previously).
- You have a receipt or invoice for the cost of your plane ticket and the boarding cards or the train tickets.
- If you go by plane and book an e-ticket please send us a copy by email office@gemma.cc

The travel details needed is the following:

- Name of the Traveller (Participant)
- Date and Time of the Arrival and Departure
- Price of the ticket

PARTICIPANTS AND PREPARATION OF THE GROUPS

Each country will select the participants from 18 to 30 years old.

We will need the following information about each one:

- Full Name
- Gender
- Birthdate / Age
- Passport Number or ID number with issue and expiration date
- Phone number and e-mail
- Special Needs (Allergy, Food restriction, Health restrictions)

Please find the application form attached with the letter.

DEADLINE: All partners have to give information about their participants and the flight details before 1st July 2016!

The failing of the partner to accomplish this deadline will give us the right to replace the partnership in accordance of the Programme rules!

ABOUT THE VENUE

The training course will take place in Velden am Wörthersee, Austria. The arrival day is Sunday afternoon 18th September 2016 and departure day will be Monday morning 26th September 2016.

We will be hosted in the following place:

Cap Wörth Youth Hostel

http://www.hiyou.at/index.php?article_id=39&clang=1

We will share nationalities among the rooms. There is a bathroom/shower in each room. Bed linen will be provided by the hotel. Please take some towels with you.

Breakfast, lunch, dinner and coffee breaks will happen in the hotel during the whole project.

As you can check in the website, the place offers different activities and possibilities and it can be enjoyed by the participants. Don't forget your swimming clothes because we are right next to the lake. ☺

Almost all of you will fly to Vienna International Airport and from there you will have to take a train/bus to Velden am Wörthersee. Each group will be instructed separately in the best way to reach Velden am Wörthersee by e-mail after confirming the arrival time. All the groups will be picked up by the organisers at the train/bus station in Velden am Wörthersee.

Clothes: we don't have any dress code on our project so feel free to take whatever clothes make you feel comfortable and help you to participate in all activities. In the autumn it can be still warm in Austria (about 27° Celsius) so just take some comfortable clothes with you. It's not a bad idea to check the weather forecast for Carinthia/Austria before you fly and then pack your suitcase ;-).

TRAVEL BUDGET

According to the rules of Erasmus + Programme and the budget that was financed in the Austrian National Agency, here is the maximum amount that each participant can use for the travel to Austria and back:

Attention:

Please consider that with a high chance you will need a connection train for traveling from the arriving airport to the training city. For example if you arrive at Vienna airport you will have approximately a 4h train ride to the city of the training. So please have a look on train tickets before you finally book your flight because in some cases the ticket prices for train can be from 30 - 100€ (round trip). For further details look at <http://www.oebb.at/> | <http://tickets.oebb.at> or contact us. You definitely have to book your flight and train ticket before you come to the training!

We intend to make the reimbursement as a wire transfer after we have all the necessary documents already mentioned before (boarding passes, bus tickets, etc.). The charges for the wire transfer (just for non Euro-Countries) are at partner's expense.

We will NOT reimburse the amounts that get over the maximum budget for each participant. So please book your tickets as soon as possible (After 10th May 2016).

Country of Origin	Country of Destination	Distance Band	No. of Participants (including accompanying persons)	Travel Grant per Participant
Austria	Austria	0 - 99 km	4	0.00
Estonia	Austria	500 - 1999 km	4	275.00
Germany	Austria	500 - 1999 km	4	275.00
Netherlands	Austria	500 - 1999 km	4	275.00
Poland	Austria	500 - 1999 km	3	275.00
Portugal	Austria	2000 - 2999 km	3	360.00
Spain	Austria	500 - 1999 km	3	275.00
United Kingdom	Austria	500 - 1999 km	3	275.00
Italy	Austria	500 - 1999 km	3	275.00

CONTACT DETAILS YOU MAY NEED

If you have any questions concerning the organization of the course, please contact **Marc Germeshausen**: office@gemma.cc

If you have any questions concerning the travelling to the course, please contact **Eva Kobin**: eva@gemma.cc

If you have any questions concerning the programme of the course, please contact **Pavel Vassiljev** pavel@shokkin.org

SEE YOU SOON IN AUSTRIA
THE TEAM