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“ABCD: Art for Balanced and Cultural Diversity”

22 - 27 July 2019, Antwerp, Belgium.

CALL FOR PARTICIPANTS

The International Secretariat of Service Civil International is happy to announce the opening of the application process for a training on cultural diversity and social inclusion by the use of art-forms.

Contents

During this 5-day training we will explore diverse meanings of cultural diversity and social inclusion and take a closer look at real-life examples and situations occurring in different contexts and countries. By the use of different art-tools we will try to find a way to raise awareness on the importance and value of diversity and social inclusion and promote it.

Aims of the training:

- Explore the topic of social inclusion and ensure a common understanding of its various aspects.
- Exchange existing approaches to cultural diversity and social inclusion.
- Open the discussion on cultural diversity and social inclusion in different contexts, especially those of the 9 participating countries.
- Empower youth workers with art-related tools, mainly visual and performance, to raise awareness on, promote and enhance social inclusion and cultural diversity.
- Give the youth workers the chance to experiment, exchange and cooperate with each other during the training and after.

The seminar is organized by SCI's International Secretariat with support from the Erasmus+ Programme of the European Union

When?

The seminar will take place from July 22nd till 27th, and lasts 5 days. Participants' arrival is foreseen on Monday, July 22, 2019 by 12 (noon). Departures will be on Saturday, July 27, 2019 after 12 (noon).

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 based on the principles of adult learning, creating a stress-free and motivating environment where the human brain has a full capacity to learn. All the methods will encourage active participation, creativity, initiative, and responsibility for one's own learning process. We will focus on using backgrounds, experiences and opinions of participants, employing non-verbal tools and putting them in practice. The main tools will be visual and performance art, such as elements of theater.

Participants Profile

The event will gather 27 participants – youth workers from 9 European countries: Belgium, Slovenia, Portugal, Spain, Hungary, Austria, Greece, Poland and Germany.

We are looking for youth workers working with youth with fewer opportunities and/or who are working on awareness raising on cultural diversity and social inclusion. We want to welcome people who want to expand their horizon on the topic and learn and exchange new art-related tools to apply in their work.

Feel free to apply, if you:

- are willing to use the results of the training, by organising a follow-up activity in your home country;
- are a resident of one of the 9 above-mentioned project countries;
- are able to communicate well and work in English;
- are at least 18 years old (there is no maximum age);
- are available to attend the whole duration (no exceptions are possible).

SCI welcomes participants with fewer opportunities.

Certificates

Following your active participation, you will be awarded with an attendance certificate, issued by Service Civil International, as well as with a Youthpass certificate.

Financial conditions

Food and accommodation for participants will be fully covered for the duration of the seminar. Travel costs will be reimbursed after receipt of original travel documents, up to the maximum amounts indicated in the rules of the Erasmus+ Programme. Based on the [Erasmus+ distance calculator](#), the maximum travel reimbursement amounts are:

Belgium = 0 euro,

Germany = 180 euro,

Slovenia, Portugal, Spain, Hungary, Austria, Poland = 275 euro,

Greece = 360 euro

As an organization with a strong commitment to climate justice, SCI encourages participants to **use environmentally friendly transport** (bus, train, car sharing) as much as possible. SCI's Travel Policy encourages a carbon offset donation if travelling by plane.

How to apply?

If you are interested in joining the seminar, please fill out the [online application form HERE](#).

The deadline is June 2, 2019, 23:59 CET. Applicants will be notified of the selection results by June 12.

Applications will be assessed on an ongoing basis, and in cooperation with SCI project partners in applicants' countries of residence.

For any questions or further information, please feel free to contact us at scitrainers@sci.ngo.

We look forward to hearing from you!