Call for Participants

Story Tours Alternative Routes (STAR)
Leadership in Youth Work Training Course

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Catalonia, Spain | 20-27 May 2024

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Key Details

1. **Duration**: 20-27 of May 2024
2. **Commitment**: We'll have a full 6 plus the late afternoon/evening of the 20th of May. So we recommend:
    a. to arrive on the morning of the 20th of May.
    b. to have 6 full working days from the 21st until the 26th of May 2024
    c. to have the departure on the 27th of May 2024
3. **Location**: *Manresa Xanascat*, Carrer Mil Centenari, s/n - Manresa (08240)
4. **Contact info:** Antonella Di Matteo, voluntariat@scicat.org

About the host organization

Service Civil International of Catalonia (**SCI CAT**), is the Catalan branch of SCI and is now opening a Call to look for participants for a Leadership Training Course within the STAR Project.

Background of the training course
Service Civil International (SCI) is a century-old volunteer organisation, dedicated to promoting a culture of peace. Its main activity is the international exchange of volunteers on long- and short-term projects, which serve its vision of a world of peace, social justice and sustainable development. SCI works to promote values of mutual respect, and problem-solving without recourse to any form of violence. SCI is open to all, irrespective of gender, sex, race, ethnicity, colour, age, disability, religion, culture or language. SCI views equal inclusion, participation and treatment of all, regardless of gender identity, as fundamental to peace.

This training course is organised in the framework of the Erasmus+ project STAR: Story Tours Alternative Routes which is coordinated by SCI Italy in cooperation with the following project partners: SCI Catalonia, SSD Jordan, PVN Albania, CID-Macedonia, and VCV Serbia.

About STAR

The project aims to enhance collaboration among partner organisations from six countries (Italy, Spain, Albania, North Macedonia, Serbia, and Jordan) and strengthen the capacity of NGOs to deliver impactful youth programs through a more digital, inclusive, and sustainable approach while promoting youth engagement and values of inclusion using educational tours methodology.

The project aims to enhance the capacity of youth organisations in transnational collaboration and digital skills related to youth development, promote the methodology as a tool for youth development through an online campaign, produce 12 educational walking tours with 6 digitised and uploaded online, and create toolkits about educational walking tours and digital storytelling.

The project expects Increased capacity of youth organisations in the transnational corporation, management skills, youth engagement, and digital skills related to youth development. More recognized role of young people in the local communities, and policy paper. Online campaign promoting the methodology as a youth development tool 12 Educational walking tours, 6 of them will be digitised and uploaded to the online platform. Toolkits on Educational walking tours and digital storytelling will be produced.

Leadership in Youth Work Training Course

This ***Training Course about Leadership skills*** will aim to provide youth workers with the necessary skills and knowledge to become effective leaders in their organisations. The content of this activity will include topics such as leadership styles, communication, conflict resolution, team building, inclusion in youth work and youth empowerment best practices.

Leadership skills capacity-building for youth workers will help strengthen the capacity of partner organisations to engage and empower young people in project activities, thus contributing to the overall goal of increasing the capacity of working with young people for the partner organisations.

Specific objectives of the training course:

- To enhance the skills and abilities of youth organisations in non-formal education and methodologies, enabling them to offer a broader range of effective learning experiences to young people;
- To promote a better understanding of environmental challenges and eco-friendly practices in the youth development sector.

What will you learn?

The participants will increase their capacity to engage more young people in various activities and initiatives, resulting in improved participation and engagement among the target group.

Methodological approach:

All participants will be expected and encouraged to contribute to the activities and discussions. The interactions will be horizontal and learner-centred to create a transformational facilitation style and sharing space. Especially in this training role plays, simulations and interactive methods will be used to involve the participants fully. Please see the draft programme here:

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S	day 1	day 2	day 3	day 4	day 5	day 6	day 7	day 8
	20.05.24	21.05.24	22.05.24	23.05.24	24.05.24	25.05.24	26.05.24	27.05.24
AM	Arrival Day	Welcome and Understanding the Project Me as a leader	My privileges and how they are connected to how I see the world.	Excursion to explore how sustainable and alternative tourism can look like. (whole day)	Morning: working with intercultural groups Afternoon: How to be inclusive when organising alternative and educational walking tours?	Non-violent communication and conflict management.	Open Space	Departure Day
PM	Get to know each other	Our understanding of leadership /guiding a group in alternative/educational tours.	How do we take into account different perspectives? Ethical photography			Sustainable and alternative tourism: case studies	Bringing it all together: the ideal tour guide Evaluation	

Who is this training for?

In order to participate, you need to fulfil the following criteria:

- Be ideally between 18-35 years old;
- Be actively involved in one of the partners' organisations;
- Be motivated to take part in international contexts/environments;
- Commit for the full duration of the training course;
- Have a good command of English as the training will be in English;
- Be ready to do some preparatory tasks (online questionnaire, bring some good examples or materials from your organisation on the topics of the training, online pre-departure meetings) and participate actively in the training.
- There will be an online preparatory meeting to get to know the project better and the other participants.

Places available:

Travel costs will be reimbursed up to the travel limit set by the EU and if all necessary travel tickets (boarding passes, invoices) are handed in within the agreed time frame.

Number of participants	Partner organisation	Budget for the trips per participant	Budget for the visa per participant
3	SCI Catalonia	20,00 €	0
3	SCI Italy	275,00 €	0
3	SSD Jordan	540,00 €	100,00 €
3	PVN Albania	275,00 €	0
3	CVC Serbia	275,00€	0
3	CID Macedonia	275,00 €	0

Practical info

Accommodation: ***The training will occur in Manresa Xanascat, Carrer Mil Centenari, s/n - Manresa (08240).***

More information about how to reach the place will be provided with a more detailed Info Sheet before the start of the training.

How do you get involved?

Apply by 31 March 2024 through the online application form. Results will be shared by the beginning of April.

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If you have any questions, please contact **Antonella Di Matteo** at **voluntariat@scicat.org**