







# INFO PACK

### TRAINING COURSE

AI IN YOUTH WORK: EMPOWERING YOUNG MINDS

25.04. - 02.05.2025., BREŽICE, SLOVENIA

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# BASIC INFORMATION

The rapid advancement of artificial intelligence (AI) is transforming various sectors, including education and youth work. This Erasmustraining course aims to equip youth workers, educators, and young people with the necessary knowledge and skills to effectively integrate AI into their work.

By understanding AI, participants will be able to use its tools to enhance engagement, improve educational methods, and develop innovative approaches in youth work.

This training course will focus on demystifying AI, making it accessible, and ensuring it is used ethically and inclusively in youth work. Through handson activities, discussions, and case studies, participants will explore AI's potential, its limitations, and how it can be leveraged to support young people in developing critical thinking and digital skills.

This Erasmus+ training course aims to provide youth workers and educators with a strong foundation in AI and its applications in education and youth work. By fostering digital literacy, ethical awareness, and creative problem-solving skills, this course empowers participants to embrace AI as a valuable tool in their work with young people.

Through interactive learning, hands-on activities, and meaningful discussions, participants will leave with practical skills, a critical understanding of Al's impact, and a clear vision of how to integrate Al into their professional practices to create positive change in youth work.

# **ACTIVITY OVERVIEW**

Name of the activity:	AI IN YOUTH WORK: EMPOWERING YOUNG MINDS	
Type of the activity:	Erasmus+ Training course	
Location of the activity:	Brežice, Slovenia	
Dates of the activity:	25.04 02.05.2025. (25th and 2th are travel days)	
Age range of participants:	18+	
Total number of participants:	36	
Participating countries:	EU countries, Croatia, North Macedonia, Romania, Portugal, Bulgaria, Serbia	

# PARTICIPANT PROFILE

This training course is designed for youth workers, educators, trainers, project coordinators, and professionals who are actively involved in working with young people and are interested in integrating STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics) into their educational practices. Participants should:

### • Experience in Youth Work or Education

- Be actively engaged in non-formal education or youth development.
- Have experience in designing and implementing educational programs, workshops, or activities for young people.

#### • Interest in STEM and Innovation

- Show a genuine interest in STEM fields and their potential to foster key competencies such as critical thinking, problem-solving, and creativity.
- Be open to learning about and applying innovative tools and methods that promote STEM learning.

#### • Willingness to Learn and Share

- Be motivated to acquire new knowledge and skills in STEM-related areas.
- Be ready to contribute by sharing their experiences, best practices, and ideas during the training.
- Actively participate in discussions, group work, and practical sessions.

### • Commitment to Future Implementation

- Demonstrate a willingness to implement newly gained knowledge and methods in their own work with young people.
- Be interested in developing and initiating new projects that incorporate STEM approaches.

#### • Collaborative Spirit

- Be open to working in an intercultural environment and engaging in teamwork.
- Have good communication skills and be comfortable with working in English, as it will be the working language of the course.

### • Age and Residency Requirements

- o Participants should be at least 18 years old.
- They must reside in one of the partner countries participating in the Erasmus+ project.

<sup>\*</sup>Participants with fewer opportunities (economic, social, cultural, geographical or health reasons) will have priority over others.

### **TOPICS**

To empower participants with practical knowledge, tools, and methods for applying STEM in non-formal education, while fostering creativity, critical thinking, problem-solving, and an entrepreneurial mindset among young people.

### **Key Topics:**

- Introduction to AI and its relevance in youth work
- Al-powered tools for education and youth engagement
- Opportunities and challenges of AI in learning environments
- Al-driven creativity and innovation in youth work
- Ethical considerations, biases, and responsible AI use
- Practical implementation and future perspectives of AI in youth work

### **Expected Outcomes:**

- Gain a fundamental understanding of AI and its applications in youth work
- Develop practical skills in using AI tools for education and engagement
- Understand the ethical implications and biases in AI and how to address them
- Learn how to integrate AI into creative and innovative youth work projects
- Build confidence in utilizing AI to improve learning experiences and streamline processes
- Develop action plans for implementing Al-driven strategies in their organizations
- Create a network of peers and potential collaborators in the field of Al and youth work.

### Detailed timetable will be sent later.

# LOGISTICS

### BREŽICE, SLOVENIA

Welcome to the confluence of worlds. Rounded hills in the extreme southeast of Slovenia. the outskirts of Gorjanci, the green world at the confluence of the Krka and Sava rivers, geothermal water springs, and vineyards, castles. wealth of natural and cultural heritage and vibrant social life. Discover the unique world of turnips above the bottom of the Pannonian Sea. A where different worlds meet. A destination where the mornings are closer to the sun, where you satiate and rest your body and mind.









## ACCOMODATION

### OMLADINSKI CENTAR BREŽICE

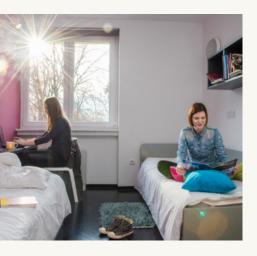
Outside the city bustle, but close to town in a quiet neighborhood on the outskirts of town Brežice there is a modern infrastructure, which extends to almost 2500 square meters and offers the possibility of accommodation for different generations and an excellent and attractive vacation experiences.

**Youth hostel Brežice - MC Hostel Brežice** is a part of Youth Center Brežice and it provides a rich set of various program, such as child and youth programs, culture events for different tastes and a wide range of nonformal education and thus opens up new dimensions of youth tourism in the local environment.

Excellent infrastructure and modern equipment, that certainly scores highly in the local area offers a congress and seminar rooms (15-240 persons) with top technical equipment and providing organizational, technical and catering support at various events.

Invigorating colors, urban furnishings and spaciousness offer guests a relaxed stay after an eventful day. The rooms share toilets and bathrooms. Trendy hostel style.

- 6 single beds (bunk beds) or 3 single beds (bunk beds)
- there is a desk and chair in the room
- bedding is included
- shared use of a fully equipped kitchen and a common room with a TV
- shared use of a terrace with a view of the park and the city castle







# **ACCOMODATION**

### OMLADINSKI CENTAR BREŽICE

















### TRAVEL

Travel expenses of the participants are covered in line with **Erasmus+** programe rules and **European distance calculator**.

Participants should keep **originals** of the travel tickets and boarding passes, as without such documents we will not be able to make the reimbursement.

Reimbursement of travel expenses for the participants will be carried out through **bank transfers** after the main activity, upon collecting all relevant documentation.

The costs will be reimbursed ONLY if a participant takes part in **a full** duration of the activity program.

Please note that prior to making reimbursement, participants should complete the Participant Survey generated and sent from Beneficiary modul system at the end of the activity, final evaluation form and dissemination of the project.

### **GREEN TRAVEL**

This project fully implements a practice of **GREEN TRAVEL**, in line with priorities set within ESC Programme guide for 2021. – 2027. Green travel is defined as the travel that uses low-emissions means of transport for the main part of the travel, such as bus or train.

Therefore, participants should travel either by **BUS, TRAIN or CAR POOLING.** It does not apply to participants arriving from destinations that are more than 2000 km away from project venue.

# TRAVEL REIMBURSEMENT

DISTANCE	STANDARD TRAVEL (LIMIT PER PERSON)	GREEN TRAVEL (LIMIT PER PERSON)
10 - 99 KM	23 EUR	-
100 - 499 KM	180 EUR	210 EUR
500 - 1999 KM	275 EUR	320 EUR
2000 - 2999 KM	360 EUR	410 EUR
3000 - 3999 KM	530 EUR	610 EUR

Distance should be calculated by using **European Distance Calculator** for each participant individually, based on their location of departure (residency city or city where they are starting and finishing travel to/from the project).

Before making any travel arrangements (reservations, purchasing tickets, etc.), make sure to consult us to ensure approval. Travel plans must align with the distance calculator, European Solidarity Corps reimbursement framework, and green travel guidelines. Failure to consult us beforehand may result in ticket disapproval.

#### **IMPORTANT!**

Please check if you need VISA to enter Turkey:

https://www.mfa.gov.tr/visa-information-for-foreigners.en.mfa

### PRACTICAL INFORMATION

### DON'T FORGET TO BRING!

- Personal medication;
- Identification documents (ID, passport, visa, etc.);
- Health/travel insurance;
- Travel tickets and boarding passes (originals);
- Both warm and light clothes.

### IN CASE OF EMERGENCY

Important contact numbers and information on safety procedures will be placed in visible places at the project venue and introduced to participants at the beginning of the main project activity.

112 Notification centre – emergency medical assistance, fire brigades, veterinary assistance, rescue units

113 Police – emergencies

Telephone country calling code for Slovenia +386

# IMPORTANT INFORMATION

We strive to accommodate food and any other preferences that are related to medical, religious, or similar reasons. All food will be served in advance.

If you have any **medical or other issues** that could impact your ability to participate in the project or affect your well-being or that of other participants, it is essential to **inform the project staff in advance**, **prior to signing your Agreement**.

While health issues are not a barrier to participation, our staff needs to be aware to take the necessary measures to ensure your proper inclusion and safety as well sa wellbeing of the whole group.

# EVALUATION & FEEDBACK

To ensure the high quality of our Erasmus+ project and provide you with the best possible experience, we have decided to introduce a new approach to evaluation and feedback throughout the program. Each day, we will ask you to complete a short evaluation – sharing what you learned, how you felt during the activities, and any suggestions for improvement. This evaluation is not just a formality, but an opportunity for you to voice your opinions so we can adjust the activities in real-time and make them even more effective.

However, evaluation is not a one-way process. Since we put a great deal of effort into preparing and delivering this project, we expect your active participation and motivation in return. Based on your engagement, involvement in activities, and overall contribution to the project, our team will provide regular feedback. These responses are not meant as criticism but as a tool for your personal growth and improvement in future international projects.

At the end of the project, feedback on your participation and engagement will be shared with your sending organization, giving them insight into your experience and involvement. Through this process, we aim to foster two-way communication, create a positive working environment, and give you the opportunity to make the most of every part of the project.

Your evaluation + our feedback = project success! ©

# YOUTHPASS

# **Youth**pass

The Youthpass certificate is a recognition tool developed by the European Commission for participants of projects funded by the Erasmus+ program and the European Solidarity Corps. It aims to document and validate the learning experiences gained through participation in these projects. Here are the key aspects of the Youthpass certificate:

- 1. **Recognition of Non-Formal Learning:** Youthpass recognizes the value of non-formal learning experiences, which are often not formally assessed or documented. It highlights the skills and competences gained outside of traditional educational settings.
- 2.Learning Outcomes: The certificate includes a detailed description of the learning outcomes achieved by the participant. This includes key competences such as communication in foreign languages, social and civic competences, sense of initiative, and digital competence.
- 3.**Personal Reflection:** Participants are encouraged to reflect on their experiences and learning processes. This self-assessment helps them identify and articulate the skills and knowledge they have acquired.
- 4. **Enhancing Employability:** By documenting skills and competences, Youthpass can enhance the employability of young people. It serves as a useful addition to their CVs and can be presented to potential employers or educational institutions.
- 5.**Standardized Format:** The certificate follows a standardized format recognized across Europe, making it easier for participants to use it in various contexts, including job applications and further education.

The participants of this project have **a right to obtain their Youthpass certificates** at the end of the main activity.

# **ABOUT THE ORGANIZER**

**Pozitiva Samobor** is an association, a non-governmental organization established in 2011. with the main aim to design programs for developing skills of young people, discover their talents as well as to teach them to take actions and responsibilities. We want to provide youth with adequate tools and motivation to activate their minds and bodies in order to become great leaders of 21st century.

We support young people in development and teach them to take the initiative.

# **OUR TEAM**



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