

1. **Objective:** The purpose of this call for proposals is to support youth workers' mobility and exchanges with a view to promoting the acquisition of new skills and competences in order to enrich their profile as professionals in the youth field. By promoting long-term transnational learning experiences for youth workers, this new action will also aim at strengthening the capacities of the structures involved in the project, which will benefit from the experience and new perspective brought by a youth worker from a different background. In doing so, this call will enhance networking among youth structures in Europe and will contribute to the policy priority to support, recognise and professionalize youth work as a cross-cutting policy tool in Europe. This call provides grants to projects. The objectives of the call for proposals are as follows: — To give youth workers the opportunity to experience a different working reality in another country; — To gain a better understanding of the European dimension of youth work; — To improve youth workers' professional, intercultural and language competences; — To promote the exchange of experiences and approaches to youth work and non-formal education in Europe; — To contribute to develop stronger and better quality partnerships between youth organisations across Europe; — To strengthen the quality and the role of youth work in Europe.

2. Preference will be given to those projects which best reflect following **priorities:** (i) Permanent priorities of the Youth in Action Programme — Participation of young people; — Cultural diversity; — Inclusion of young people with fewer opportunities. (ii) Annual priorities of the Youth in Action Programme — Youth unemployment, poverty and marginalisation; — Spirit of initiative, creativity and entrepreneurship, employability; — Grassroots sport and outdoor activities; — Global environmental challenges and climate change.

3. **Eligible applicants:** Proposals must be submitted by non-profit organisations. These organisations can be: — Non-governmental organisations (NGOs); — Bodies active at European level in the field of youth (ENGO), which have member organisations in at least eight Programme Countries of the Youth in Action Programme; — Public bodies based at regional or local level. This applies to both applicant and partner organisations. Applicants must — at the specified deadline for submitting their proposals — have been legally registered for at least two years in one of the Programme Countries. The Programme Countries are as follows: — the Member States of the European Union: Austria, Belgium, Bulgaria, Cyprus, the Czech Republic, Denmark, Estonia, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Hungary, Ireland, Italy, Latvia, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Malta, the Netherlands, Poland, Portugal, Romania, Slovakia, Slovenia, Spain, Sweden, the United Kingdom; — those countries of the European Free Trade Association (EFTA): Iceland, Liechtenstein, Norway and Switzerland; — candidate countries for which a pre-accession strategy has been established, in accordance with the general principles and general terms and conditions laid down in the framework agreements concluded with these countries with a view to their participation in EU programmes: Croatia and Turkey. Projects should be based on a solid partnership between two (2) partners from two (2) different Programme Countries of which at least one (1) from an EU Member State, acting respectively as sending and host organisation of the youth worker(s) involved in the project.

4. **Eligible actions and participants:** The project must include activities of a non-profit-making nature that are related to the field of youth and non-formal education. Projects must start between 1 November 2012 and 1 April 2013. Projects will have a maximum duration

of 12 months. The duration of the mobility will have a minimum duration of 2 months and a maximum duration of 6 months. Participants of the project proposals submitted under this call for proposals must be professional youth workers legally resident in one of the Youth in Action Programme Countries. Both paid employees and experienced volunteers working in non-governmental organisations or local or regional public bodies active in the field of youth are concerned. There is no age limit of the participants. In order to ensure the maximum benefits from the learning mobility experience both for the individual participant(s) and their sending and host organisations, a minimum of two years of relevant and documented professional experience in the field of youth work is required. Projects will support individual mobility of up to two youth workers.

5. **Budget:** EUR 1 000 000. The maximum grant shall not exceed EUR 25 000.

6. **Deadline for submission of applications:** The electronic application form duly completed must be submitted by 12:00 (mid-day, Brussels Time) on 3 September 2012. A paper version of the application must also be sent by 3 September 2012 to the following address: Education, Audiovisual and Culture Executive Agency, Youth in Action Programme — EACEA/15/12 BOUR 4/029 - Avenue du Bourget/Bourgetlaan 1 1140 Bruxelles/Brussel BELGIQUE/BELGIË.

7. **Additional information:** the said documents can be found on the Internet at the following address:

http://eacea.ec.europa.eu/youth/index_en.htm .

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