



Education and Culture DG

'Youth in Action' Programme



**AHEAD**



*Boys don't cry...?*

## **Mainstreaming Gender in Youth Work**

From 24<sup>th</sup> April to 2<sup>nd</sup> May 2013  
(arrival and departure dates)

Coma-ruga (Tarragona)  
Catalonia

### **In brief**

The training course "Boys don't Cry. Mainstreaming Gender in Youth Work" is designed for twenty-two youth leaders, youth workers and educators to develop learning competences aimed at mainstreaming gender in youth work through Human Rights Education and Non-Formal Education methodologies.

The course of eight days, is part of the "Eastern Youth Window" programme and it is promoted by youth organizations in Estonia, Lithuania, Belarus, Romania, Georgia, Armenia, and coordinated by the Association of Human Rights Educators.

## The Course

Through the course we will:

- explore how youth work can provide tools to challenge predetermined gender roles, contributing actively to de-construct sexist attitudes;
- introduce Human Rights Education methodologies and implement approaches and activities that support the role of youth work in this area;
- exchange best practices, raise awareness and develop competences in key concepts for mainstreaming gender in youth work;
- develop ideas for incorporating gender perspectives in youth work and at community level, and promote the qualitative development of the activities of the Youth in Action programme.

## Profile of the participants

The Training Course is designed for a diverse group for twenty-two youth leaders, youth workers and educators directly working with young people with fewer opportunities such as young people from rural areas, unemployed youth, young people from linguistic and ethnic minorities,...

Partner countries for this course are Estonia, Lithuania, Belarus, Romania, Georgia, Armenia, and Spain.

Previous experience on the Youth in Action programme is not a must. Participants should be ready for an intercultural experience and interested in developing strategies supporting learning development aiming at fostering civic and human rights. Attending participants should be willing to become agents of change in their organisations and communities.

Participants will be selected by the preparatory team according to their Application form (here attached). The selection will ensure to have a group with organisational and geographical diversity and gender balance.

## Team of trainers

The programme of the course is designed and conducted by a multicultural team of experienced trainers from the Pool of the Youth Directorate of the Council of Europe. They may be complemented by resource experts for specific parts of the course.

## Hosting Organisations

The [Association of Educators in Human Rights \(AHEAD\)](#) is a non-profit, non-political and non-governmental Training Organization. It organises trainings and provides training and consultancy to non-governmental organisations and educational institutions working with young people. The mission of the Association is to promote human rights education (HRE) as a requisite to strengthen the commitment towards a culture of peace, democracy and solidarity.

## Deadline and Application procedure

All candidates must apply using the enclosed application form. Applications should be sent not later than **18<sup>th</sup> February 2013!** by E-mail to the electronic address [humanrights@trajectorya.ee](mailto:humanrights@trajectorya.ee)

The preparatory team will select the participants on the basis of the profile outlined above and ensuring a balanced group (gender, geographical regions, different types of experiences, cultural backgrounds and organisations). A waiting list may be established.

By the end of February all candidates will be informed about whether their application has been accepted or rejected, and if they have put on the waiting list.

Selected candidates will receive the course documentation and further technical and educational information directly from the organisers.

*!!Do not book your travel until your participation has been confirmed by organisers!!.*

## Financial and practical conditions of participation\_

### Travel expenses

The 70 % of travel expenses are reimbursed (on presentation of the relevant receipts). Participants must choose the cheapest travel option. The organisation only reimburses public transport costs. Only the participants who attend the entire training course can be reimbursed.

Participants are expected to arrive the 24<sup>th</sup> April afternoon and departure will be the 2<sup>nd</sup> May 2013 after breakfast.

### Accommodation

Board and lodging for the duration of the Training Course will be provided and paid for by the Organisers

### Enrolment fee

An enrolment fee of 45€ is payable by EU countries participants and 25€ by participants from non-EU countries. This amount will be deducted from the amount to be reimbursed for travel expenses or paid at the beginning of the course.

## Information

If you need further information do not hesitate to contact us:

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