

## **Two-part Erasmus+ seminar "Purpose in Practice - The Why-How-Journey"**

**October 04-12, 2024 ([Graus, Spain](#)) + February 20-28, 2025 ([Bremen, Germany](#))**

*Would you like to contribute (more) to society with your social and solidarity-based ideas? Would you like to learn how to organize workshops on your topics? And have you ever taken part in an international exchange project and would like to be involved in such projects as a supervisor or trainer in the future?*

If your answer is "yes" to these three questions, then this 2-part international training course is likely to be just your perfect learning opportunity.

At "Purpose in Practice", young adults living in Germany, Spain and Ireland can work together to expand their knowledge and skills in the field of non-formal education. We will embark on a "Why-How-Journey" together: your ideas for social change will be turned into concrete educational formats that you can implement in the future – in an international setting or at your own location.







In a creative and participatory learning environment, we deal with the needs-based orientation of extracurricular educational programs and the facilitation of non-formal methods. The seminar programs are designed together with you and you can contribute your own ideas and priorities. We also plan plenty of time for reflection.

**In the first part in October in Spain, we will focus on the principles of non-formal education and workshop design. The second part in February in Germany will focus on your individual skills development, e.g. in facilitation techniques.**

In the months between the seminars, we want to carry out a "test phase" and expect everyone to carry out their own small project at your location, such as a workshop on a topic of your choice. You will be supported by the organization in your country of residence, i.e. in Germany by ServiceBureau Jugendinformation.

Thanks to Erasmus+ Youth funding, there are no costs for you to take part in the seminars. We from Germany will probably travel as a group from Bremen to Spain and buy the tickets together. If you do not live in Bremen, you can also choose to travel individually. The travel costs will be reimbursed after the seminar.

## Learning objectives

-  To develop participants' skills in the design, implementation and evaluation of non-formal education workshops
-  To promote the development of intercultural competence and the implementation of educational programs in an intercultural context
-  To strengthen participants' self-confidence and ability to act in their local communities
-  To motivate participants to continue their voluntary social and solidarity work and to gain a professional foothold in the education sector
-  To promote the personal and professional development of participants
-  To create an international peer network of young facilitators

## Aim of the seminar

We want to encourage young people to take an active role in promoting social justice and human rights and empowering others in their communities through non-formal education.

## Target group

Young people aged 18 and over who live in Ireland, Spain or Germany and have already participated in at least one international exchange project. (Initial) experience in leading or supporting an educational program would also be helpful, so that you are in good hands right from the start of the seminars.

So: If you have an idea of what a workshop or youth exchange looks like and would like to develop your skills in designing your own workshops based on the principles of non-formal education, write to us and we will send you the link to the application form. The application deadline is August 01, 2024.

## Inclusion

It is important to us that participation in the seminar is possible for all interested parties. We would like to encourage you to contact us if you have any concerns that something is standing in the way of your participation. We are happy to help with the organization of e.g. English support, increased supervision or childcare.

## Would you like to join or do you have any questions?

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