

# 7<sup>TH</sup> GLOBAL EDUCATION TRAINING COURSE FOR YOUTH MULTIPLIERS

In the framework of the 18<sup>th</sup> edition of the University on Youth and Development **CEULAJ, Mollina (Spain) 18 – 23 September 2017** 

# **CALL FOR PARTICIPANTS**

Deadline for applications: 28<sup>th</sup> July 2017

# Youth co-operation and Global Education at the North-South Centre of the Council of Europe

Created in 1989, the European Centre for Global Interdependence and Solidarity, or 'North-South Centre of the Council of Europe' (NSC), was set up with the purpose of spreading the universal values upheld by the Council of Europe – human rights, democracy and the rule of law – in Europe and beyond. Since its inception, the North-South Centre has been advocating a dialogue between the North and the South, fostering solidarity, creating partnerships, and raising awareness about global interdependence.

The specific mission of the Centre is to empower civil society, in particular youth and women, through intercultural dialogue and global citizenship education, to play an active role in Council of Europe member states and neighbouring regions, notably through its multilateral activities.

The objective of the Youth Cooperation programme of the NSC is to promote youth participation through training and capacity building courses aimed at young people and youth organisations to reinforce their understanding of Global Development Education (GDE) and to facilitate their participation in decision and policy making processes at all levels of governance.

## The Global Education Training Course for Youth Multipliers

## Background

In the context of a rapidly rising youth population at global level, young people must be at the centre of the post-2015 vision for sustainable development. Ensuring the active participation of youth in issues of peace, security and development is a democratic and demographic imperative.

The concept of Global Education (GE) has been promoted by the NSC as an interdisciplinary and intercultural approach based on active and participative methods. The GE programme of the NSC brings together different stakeholders to strengthen GDE through intercultural learning, dialogue and networking in Council of Europe member states and neighbouring regions.



With these objectives in mind, the NSC acknowledges that youth organisations have the expertise, pedagogical approach and capacity to reach out to other young people in their communities. Youth organisations are important knowledge producers and education providers, in formal, non-formal and informal settings. The NSC activities respond to this reality and the Youth Cooperation and GE programmes are tied together through a complementary series of e-learning and residential training courses to promote the human rights, intercultural dialogue and democratic citizenship dimensions of GE.

The Global Education Training Course for Youth Multipliers is part of the iLegend project: Intercultural Learning Exchange through Global Education, Networking and Dialogue co-funded by the Council of Europe and the Civil Society and Local Authorities Programme of the European Union.

# Objectives and Expected Results

The training course has two main aims:

- to empower young people to further support the practice of GDE based on NSC GE methodology;
- to provide youth multipliers with a series of competences and tools to promote and disseminate principles of GDE to other young people.

The specific objectives of the course are:

- to understand the skills, values and knowledge behind the concept of GDE;
- to raise awareness about the UN 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development (UN Agenda 2030) and the role that young people and youth organisations have in implementing, monitoring and evaluating the UN Sustainable Development Goals (UN SDGs) in their local communities;
- to offer a platform to reflect on the role of peer education among young people;
- to facilitate the development of specific training and facilitation competences and transfer of knowledge in educational methodologies for the development of multilateral youth activities that promote peaceful and inclusive societies;
- to contribute to a database/network of young trainers/multipliers on GDE that will support inclusive and equitable quality education;

# The Framework of the Training Course: the 18<sup>th</sup> University on Youth and Development (UYD)

The 7<sup>th</sup> edition of the Global Education Training Course for Youth Multipliers takes place in the framework of the 18<sup>th</sup> University on Youth and Development (UYD) organised in partnership with the Spanish Government (INJUVE), the European Youth Forum (YFJ), the Spanish Youth Council (CJE)and other international youth organisations and youth serving organisations.

Since its first edition in 2000, the University takes place once a year bringing together representatives of youth organisations and youth movements who gather in the CEULAJ (Euro-Latin-American Youth Centre) to discuss, train and be trained around the main issues on the global agenda.



The University is part of the Network of Universities on Youth and Global Citizenship<sup>1</sup> and is committed to further strengthening youth cooperation through a permanent dialogue between youth organisations and youth-related institutions at regional, multilateral and global level, contributing to the Global Youth Partnership for Development.

Each year, an overarching theme is chosen to connect the different Universities of the Network. In 2017 the theme chosen is "Developing Global Identities". This year's theme would allow participants and political representatives to reflect on how youth organisations and youth work can empower young people as global citizens to celebrate their diverse identities, face their vulnerabilities and unleash their potential to contribute to the implementation, monitoring and evaluation of the UN Agenda 2030.

You can read the full concept note <u>here</u>.

## Methodology

The training methodology is based on a number of successful experiences of training for youth workers and youth leaders developed by the North-South Centre. It will also benefit from the knowledge of a team of facilitators experts in the field of Youth Cooperation and Global Education.

The team will be composed having into consideration the complementarity of their profiles. It should be expected that the team of facilitators also reflect gender balance and the cultural and geographical diversity of the regions.

The final programme elements will be defined by the pedagogical team, having into consideration the overall aims, the profile and expectations of participants and the theme "Developing Global Identities".

The course is a week-long programme using a variety of educational methods such as: thematic and methodological and inputs and discussions, new technologies, guides and reference documents, simulation exercises, group's dynamics, interactive role plays, examples of good practices, etc. The use of experiential methods and workshops will strengthen the practical side of the course.

# Procedure

## Profile

Candidates will be considered for the selection phase on the basis of the following eligibility criteria to be fulfilled by the deadline for applications:

- be a citizen from one of the Council of Europe member states and the Southern Neighbourhood;
- be between 18 and 30 years old;
- be able to work and communicate fluently in English;
- be supported by one youth organisation/platform or institution.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The Network, created in 2011, currently includes the University on Youth and Development (UYD, Spain) and the Mediterranean University on Youth and Global Citizenship (MedUni, Tunisia). The Network also included the African University on Youth and Development (AUYD, Cape Verde and Kenya) and the University of Participation and Citizenship (UPC, Uruguay), not active at the moment.



Participants supported by European youth organizations/platforms or institutions with a diaspora dimension are highly encouraged to apply.

Candidates selected on the basis of the above eligibility criteria will then be evaluated according to the following selection criteria, which must be clearly specified in the candidate's application form and recommendation letter:

- playing an active role within youth organisation/platform or institution, and plan to continue this work in the near future;
- having already some experience as trainers or in terms of international youth work and project work;
- having background knowledge in terms of Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs), intercultural dialogue and youth related issues;
- taking into consideration the organisation outreach and targeted beneficiaries.

The selection will be carried out by the North-South Centre and the pedagogical team. The selection process will seek gender and geographical balance and will assure representation of participants coming from different regions.

# Travel, board and lodging

The North-South Centre will issue pre-paid flight round-trip tickets from your country to Malaga. Arrivals are expected on 17<sup>th</sup> September and departures on 24<sup>th</sup> September. Transfers from and to the airport/train station in Malaga will be ensured by the organisers. It is expected that participants/background organisations support expenses related to local transport in the home country, as well as visa costs. Please look for information regarding health and visa needs that you might have to attend the activity.

The board and lodging for the full duration of the training course is covered (accommodation and meals). Participants will be accommodated in double/triple rooms.

## Selection processes

In order to apply candidates should fill the <u>online application form</u> and send the recommendation letter by the **28<sup>th</sup> July 2017 (23:59 UTC - Lisbon time)**. A letter of recommendation shall be prepared/sent from the candidates sending structure, clearly mentioning the possibility of follow-up regarding the main aims of the training course, to the following email address: <u>nsc.youthandglobalisation@coe.int</u>.

Only candidates who fulfilled eligibility criteria, and whose application and recommendation letter are submitted by the closing date of the call will be considered for the selection. The final results will be announced within a month after the call is closed.

Please note that <u>only the shortlisted candidates will be contacted</u>, and that due to the large number of applications individual requests and follow up questions will not be addressed, unless considered as assistance to the application process.

For more information, please contact NSC-CoE Secretariat: <u>nsc.youthandglobalisation@coe.int</u> +351 21 358 40 39