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# GLOBAL EDUCATION TRAINING COURSE FOR YOUTH MULTIPLIERS

Centre de Loisirs et Vacances pour les Enfants, Hammamet (Tunisia)

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## CALL FOR PARTICIPANTS

**Deadline for applications: 26<sup>th</sup> May 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', was set up with the purpose of spreading the universal values upheld by the Council of Europe (CoE) – human rights, democracy and the rule of law – in Europe and beyond. Since its inception, the North-South Centre (NSC) 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 CoE member states and neighbouring regions, notably through its multilateral activities.

The objective of the Youth Co-operation programme of the NSC is to promote youth participation through training and capacity-building courses aimed at young people and youth organisations to promote 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 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 CoE 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 Youth Co-operation and GE programmes are tied together through a complementary series of e-learning and residential training courses to promote the human rights, intercultural 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

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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 and its intercultural dimension;
- to develop a better understanding of intercultural education, intercultural learning and intercultural competences;
- to offer a platform to reflect on the role of intercultural education and the challenges posed by the local context in a globalised world;
- to raise awareness about the Global Agenda 2030 of the United Nations and the role that young people and youth organisations have in implementing, monitoring and evaluating the Sustainable Development Goals in their local communities;
- 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 the NSC GE Online Resource Centre facilitating the sharing and dissemination of tools and practices to strengthen GDE.

## The Framework of the Training Course: the 5<sup>th</sup> MedUni

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The 6<sup>th</sup> edition of the Global Education Training Course for Youth Multipliers takes place in the framework of the 5<sup>th</sup> Mediterranean University on Youth and Global Citizenship (MedUni) organised in collaboration with the Observatoire National de la Jeunesse de Tunisie and in cooperation with other youth-led and youth-serving organisations active in the Euro-Arab and Euro-Mediterranean Co-operation.

Based on the idea of global citizenship and identity, the MedUni provides a space where young people and youth workers from both shores of the Mediterranean come together as part of a global youth movement that works for more sustainable and inclusive societies.

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The MedUni 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 Global Agenda 2030 of the United Nations.

You can read the full concept note [here](#).

## 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 Co-operation 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, methodological and political 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 CoE member States or Southern Mediterranean region;
- be between 18 and 30 years old;
- be able to work and communicate in English;
- be supported by one youth organisation/platform or institution.

<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.

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Participants supported by European youth organizations/platforms or institutions with a diaspora dimension are also 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 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 Tunis. Arrivals are expected on 2<sup>nd</sup> July and departures on 9<sup>th</sup> July. Transfers from and to the airport in Tunis 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

All applicants fulfilling the criteria and interested to participate should fill the [online application form](#) by the 26<sup>th</sup> of May 2017 (23:59 UTC - Lisbon time). They should also send a letter of recommendation from their sending structure, clearly mentioning the possibility of follow-up regarding the main aims of the training course, to the following e-mail address: [nsc.youthandglobalisation@coe.int](mailto:nsc.youthandglobalisation@coe.int). Please specify in the subject of the email the name of the training course you are applying for.

Your application will only be considered complete upon confirmation of reception of your recommendation letter. The final results will be announced the 5<sup>th</sup> of June 2017, at the latest. Please note that only the shortlisted candidates will be contacted.

In the need for further clarifications, please contact us through the same e-mail address. As we have different calls open, please specify the name of the training course in the subject of the email in all communication queries.

**For more information, please contact NSC-CoE Secretariat:**

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