

A Brief Report of TRAINING COURSE “Investing in IMPACT (3i)”



Training Course ERASMUS+
Social Economy e Social Entrepreneurship
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ABOUT THE TRAINING COURSE “INVESTING IN IMPACT (3i)”

In June 2016 GLOBE collaborated as Sending Partner in the ERASMUS+ Project “Investing in IMPACT (3i)” (Project Code 2015-3-RO01-KA105-023036), a Training Course focused on Social Economy and Social Entrepreneurship.

This Project was planned, organized and hosted by MultiCultural Foundation (RO) and took place in Arad (Romania), from 13 to 19 June 2016.

The Training Course involved 36 youth leaders and youth workers, employers and entrepreneurs from 18 Sending Organizations from 10 European countries (Romania, Italy, Spain, France, Germany, Austria, Bulgaria, Lithuania, Greece and Turkey).



The aim of the project “Investing in Impact” was: to stimulate the reflection and the debate about the importance of Social Economy and Social Entrepreneurship as instrument to promote the social and economical development of local contexts; to transfer social entrepreneurship competencies to 36 youth leaders and youth workers, employers and entrepreneurs participating and develop a collaborative network.

During the activities of the project “Investing in Impact” were used non formal methods as: presentations, workshops, facilitated talks, briefing sessions, warm-up sessions, team consolidation games, together with the informal ones: intercultural dinners.

The tangible results of the project are: the business plan model for social enterprises, the issue Youthpass certificate for the 36 participants.

The intangible results of the project are: the international collaborative network, the knowledge and the experience acquired by the participants, the developed competencies in the social entrepreneurship field, multicultural sensitization, the improving knowledge of the English language.

Thanks to the active participation during the sessions of the training course, the participants had the opportunity to:

- Meet new people and work together,
- improve their creative skills, English language knowledge

- increase their communicational and transversal skills,
- visit new places.

All the participants worked together and gave their contributions to create a good and positive team work, they spent their time discovering their self and different cultures and creating new relationships.

We thank all national groups, the host organization MultiCultural Foundation, the Project Manager Ioana Ghirdan and the Assistant Manager Oana Frandes for this experience and we hope to collaborate again very soon!

Memories of Giuseppe

"(...) The aim of the project was the acquisition, by the participants, of specific skills related to the economy and social entrepreneurship, given that they cover a wide and specific role in the society and thus the global economy. It is significant, however, specify that there are many interference between the socio-political conditions and the economy of the Countries and we should reflect on these relations and to analyze these events.

During the training course there was a perfect balance between the theoretical, professional and academic aspects, thanks to the hosting organization and the development of various seminars and conferences, in which took part some professionals specialized in this sector.

The course was also empowered by a non-formal learning approach as a result of activities and group work.



Regarding to human relationships, the embarrassment and shyness of the first day was replaced by a strong emotional cohesion among the participants, thanks to a strong desire to learn and do a good job and the numerous activities and experiences lived and shared together. In addition, during the free time we organized several international evenings where each national group presented his country describing customs and traditions including typical food, fun facts and dancing. This activity allowed us to discover different cultures from our own and create even more connections among the participants in a context of friendship and fun. Furthermore the hosting organization allowed to all participants to discover the beauty and culture of this great country which is Romania, thanks to excursions to the city of Arad and Timisoara.

The final goal of the project was the development of a Business Plan, with the support of experts. This activity allowed to the participants to be part of different international teams, get involved and applying the knowledge gained during the training course, and more importantly

creatively express our ideas thanks to an intellectually stimulating environment. The final papers will be reviewed and will be available for new entrepreneurial contributions.

The project ended with the award of the Youthpass to the participants, an official certificate provided by the European Commission that shows the project activities carried out and the knowledge acquired.

As participant, I am very happy to have taken part in this experience, which allowed me to share my knowledge and my studies with other young Europeans and simultaneously create



new friendships.

In my opinion, the Erasmus + project is the complete expression of the European Community concept. Work, collaborate and share experiences with young people from different parts of the world, respecting other people's cultures, it is one of the best and motivating experiences in the life of a person. It increases the cohesion between individuals.

For this reason I highly recommend, especially to young people, to participate in an Erasmus + mobility project to acquire the real aware of the meaning of being European citizens and citizen of the world. The European Union is not only politics and bureaucracy, but it is also and especially integration."

Giuseppe Giorlando

Thank you and See you soon!

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