

Context and objectives

Due to COVID19, we have witnessed a spark of unemployment around the world, this could yield a rather pessimistic outlook, especially in the short term, making NEETs even more vulnerable. Yet, the crisis also offers the opportunity to enhance the entrepreneurial education within the non-formal sector to adapt its tool with the fast pace development of digital learning. Besides, many of the youth work stakeholders are promoting entrepreneurial education without referring to a solid digital ocumentation that could be adaptable to the realities and the fast pace evolution of the job market today.

Hence, the goal of the project is to equip youth workers with digital entrepreneurial competencies through the 'Design Thinking' method, allowing them to enhance young people's entrepreneurial skills and raise their employability in a recovering job market.

In order to reach this goal, we'll address the following objectives in the format of a training course:

- Empower the youth workers to transfer digital entrepreneurship education to young people, especially NEETs seamlessly.
- Experiment with 'Design thinking' with the creation and follow-up of businesses issued from social challenges throughout the week.
- Assess the youth unemployment situation in the participating countries post-COVID19 crisis, and develop recommendations to stakeholders in the youth work sphere and the digital entrepreneurship ecosystem.
- Offer a space for the partner organisations to create and share methods/ tools of digital entrepreneurial education suitable to a nonformal environment.

The denomination 'Filling Gaps' reflects the need of evolving entrepreneurial youth work education around new practices, that can be easily adapted for youth workers without a necessary business background. It also reflects spirit to have during the project, as we will expect the participants to develop their creative thinking by testing new methods for their everyday work with NEETs.

Profile of participants

This project is relevant for participants with the following profile:

- Youth workers: Who are empowering NEETs and regularly conducting local activities that involve them as a main target group. They lead activities linked to facilitate a learning process, guiding, mentoring, coaching, informing or supporting young people, online and/or offline, outside the formal education setting.
- Non-formal education trainers/facilitators: trainers/facilitators are by experience youth workers as well, those participants have a more experience with entrepreneurship and non-formal education in general for having facilitated previous activities aiming to drive the entrepreneurial learning of their participants.
- Young entreperneurs: eager to share their exprience with their peers in developing their own projects and building up their entrepreneurial skills and that are willing to apply and disseminate the knowledge acquired during the training course.

COVID measures

COVID-19 measures:

All the information about the COVID measures up to date applied in Greece can be found here. Nevertheless, we remind:

- Travelers' must fill in the <u>Passenger Locator Form</u> (PLF) before taking the flight.
- Travelers need to hold The EU Digital Covid-19 Certificate.
- The cost of COVID testing (if needed) is not reimbursed.

The participant also needs to fully respect the health protocol imposed by the authorities at the time of the youth exchange, the safety measures that apply to group events. These safety measures will be introduced on arrival at the venue.

Partner organisations

NAME OF THE ORGANIZATION	COUNTRY
Center for Intercultural Understanding	France
MiHi	Latvia
EuroMueveTe	Spain
SDRUZHENIE ALTERNATIVI INTERNATIONAL	Bulgaria
ENVIRONMENT ONLINE - GREECE	Greece
YOUTHFULLY YOURS SK	Slovakia
ASOCIATIA GEYC	Romania
FREEMINDS IN ACTION	Italy
EURO-MEDITERRANEAN ASSOCIATION OF EXCHANGES VOLUNTEERING EVENTS POLSKA	Poland
ARGUS Teknoloji Bilisim Sanayi Ticaret Anonim Sirketi	Turkey





Accommodation and transportation

The training course will take place in Thomas Beach Hotel in Nea Makri (Metropolitan Athens). Website: The participants will share twin rooms. The hotel has good standards ensuring quality delivery of our training course, the meals are in buffet and will be taken in the same venue.

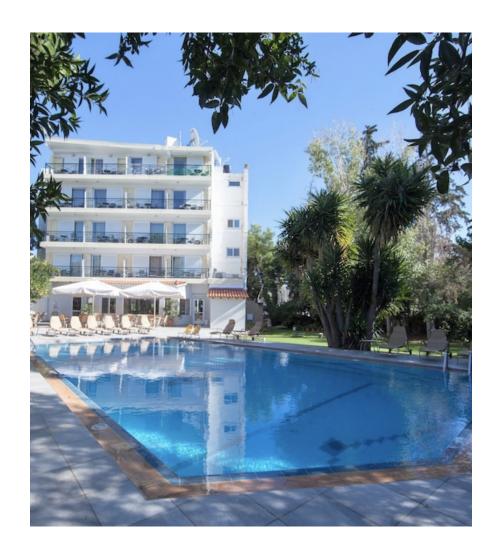
There will be a dedicated pick-up from the airport to the venue and back. The participants will be accommodated in twin rooms. Towels are provided. Toiletries are not provided.

We will organize pick-ups and drop-offs from the airport to the venue for the arrivals on January 13th and departures on January 21st. The participants will most likely be waiting for some time in the airport before the pick-up.

What to bring?

A refillable bottle for water.

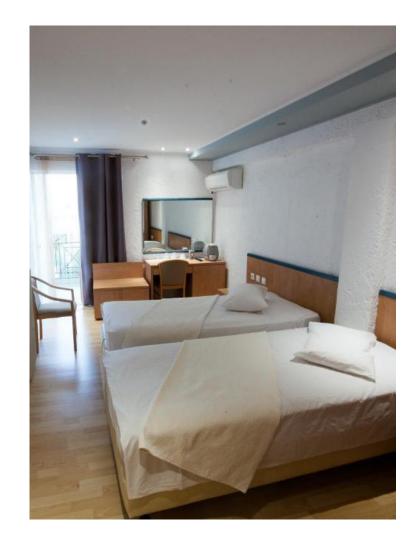
- There will be an intercultural night, you may bring light objects that can represent your country, as souvenirs or snacks.
- We expect the weather to be rather cold anywhere from autumn rainy to mildly warm. Make sure to have warm clothes.
- Good mood, ideas and lots of energy!





Insurance, travel and finances

- The accommodation and meals are 100% covered by the coordinating organization.
- There will be a contribution of **40€** to be deducted from the travel costs upon reimbursement. The Greek participants are exempt.
- Each participant will be provided flight proposals that are the most suitable for reaching Athens airport. The cheapest means of transport are to be considered. All tickets shall be booked by the participants and reimbursed up to 2 months after the training course. This reimbursement is conditioned to active participation.
- Checked-in luggage and any other extra flight options are not reimbursed. When travelling with Ryanair or Wizzair, it is allowed to add the priority-boarding option.
- It is only allowed to book the airline tickets on the airline's own website, not through travel agencies or third-party websites. Plane tickets should always be accompanied by boarding passes.
- Kindly make sure that all tickets are bought online, and digital boarding passes. If not, paper receipts or paper boarding passes should be scanned (with a scanner or an app), not taken as photos.
- It is not possible to stay before and after the travel days unless more suitable transportation options are available one day before and/or after at the expense of the participant.
- The European Health Card is mandatory for all participants.





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