



**International NORDPLUS ADULT project**  
**"SURPRISE meeting other culture" (NPAD-2016/10046)**  
**Project period: 09/2016 – 09/2017.**  
***Project implemented in the context of the refugee crisis in Europe.***



### **PROJECT PARTNERS:**

The project is run by LATVIAN CHRISTIAN ACADEMY.

Partnering institutions:

- Free Society Union, EE,
- Mullsjo Folkhogskola, SE,
- Project management and training center, LT.

## **PROJECT BACKGROUND:**

The project deals with the problem of communication between representatives of distinct ethnic, social and cultural backgrounds which plays an integral role in the process of development of cohesion and the EU labor market.

The project promotes:

- (1) sensitivity to other cultures and racial / ethnic groups that are marginal to the dominant culture,
- (2) works for an entire paradigm shift, different mindset, which gives rise to a whole new way of seeing the world as inclusive,
- (3) brings a change in institutional and societal structures – so as to create an environment (Baltic, Nordic) which is inclusive of all groups, is safe of differences and where everyone benefits.

The concept of diversity encompasses more than commonly accepted determinants of ethnicity and race; also cultural and socioeconomic factors play a large part in how a person interacts in society. The project works for development of the European society towards a society in which individuality is retained and valued, a cultural mosaic created from millions of unique pieces.

## **TARGET GROUPS OF THE PROJECT:**

Adult educators, school and HEI pedagogues, communication specialists, cultural anthropologists, refugee center workers, social workers, Church leaders, asylum seeker's centers and others involved in migration policy implementation as well as broader public.



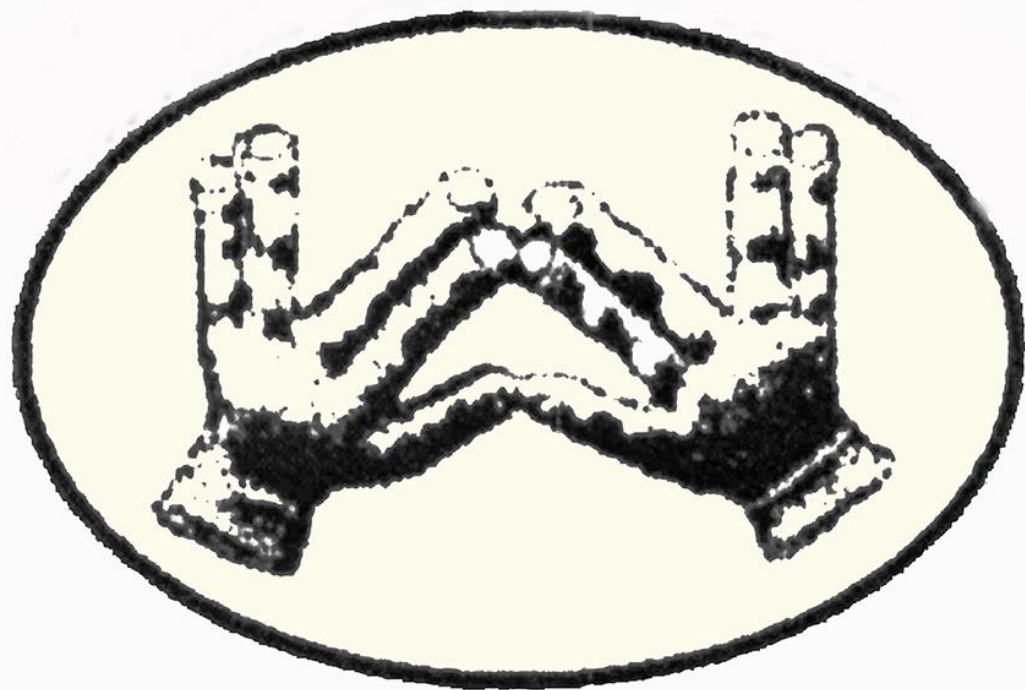




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## HANDBOOK

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