

**Call for participants:**  
**International seminar on cross-sectorial cooperation in the**  
**field of inclusion**

**“Key to inclusion”**

**19.–22. April 2017, Slovenia**

**Background information:**

Since the very beginning, EU programmes in the field of youth have been putting special emphasis on the inclusion of young people with fewer opportunities, however, tackling the topic of social inclusion requires co-operation of different stakeholders, which cover different social and educational areas, complement each other and bring added value to finding solution for the challenges of social inclusion of all young people.

In the past years, National agencies implementing the Erasmus+ programme in Slovenia have identified some successful projects on the topic of social inclusion and one important aspect that they have in common is that they are all very well connected in their local environments with different stakeholders, such as specialised institutions dealing with disadvantaged groups of youngsters, be it public or private. Such projects seem to be addressing the challenges of social inclusion very successfully and are including young people with fewer opportunities in their projects in an efficient and meaningful way. We would therefore be interested in exploring this aspect further and find other examples of successful international cross-sectorial projects from all fields of Erasmus+ - education, training and youth and beyond as well as successful local or national cross-sectorial projects on the topic, which could serve as a good example and could potentially be also upgraded into international cooperation.

**Aims and contents of the seminar**

The **seminar** will gather representatives of non-formal and formal education sector (youth organisations, schools, VET and HE) as well as representatives of other sectors, such as employment, social care, health, and/or municipalities, who have been working cross-sectorally on the topic of inclusion of young people to share their practices, learn from each other and exchange experience and models of cooperation.

The aim of this international seminar is therefore to support international cross-sectorial cooperation for inclusion of young people and to highlight the need for a cross-sectorial approach to building a more inclusive and cohesive society, by offering space for them to exchange their experience and share their results, build links among them and reflect on the topic of social inclusion. The seminar also aims to collect good practice examples of cross-sectorial projects to inspire the interested public beyond the

participants of this seminar and offer Erasmus+ as one of the tools for supporting such cooperation, in particular through Key action 2 (Strategic partnerships).

**The seminar will therefore try to:**

- identify and present cross sectorial examples of good practice at international and local levels contributing to inclusion of young people at local level;
- explore success factors for inclusion projects at local and international levels with a particular focus on cooperation between partners / sectors;
- create space for exchange on social inclusion issues & topics relevant to participants;
- reflect on Erasmus+: programme as a tool for inclusion of young people and encourage participants to use opportunities of KA2 – strategic partnerships for further development of their practices on international level;
- collect good practice examples to inspire the interested public beyond the participants of this seminar.

**Working language:**

English

**Dates & venue**

The activity will take place on 19-22 April 2017 in Slovenia (arrival day on the 19<sup>th</sup>, departure day on the 22<sup>nd</sup>).

**Target group and number of participants**

The seminar will gather **36 participants** who have been implementing cross-sectorial projects on the topic of social inclusion of young people on local, national or international level, representing:

- Teachers/head masters/staff from schools; VET and HE;
- Youth organisations/ youth centres/ youth councils/ youth clubs and other youth related NGOs.
- Representatives of other sectors (social centers /employment offices, specialised institutions, etc.)

We would like to see at least 2 representatives from each country.

**Organisers:**

This seminar is co-organised by CMEPIUS and MOVIT, Slovenian national agencies for the Erasmus+ programme.

**Application procedure:**

**Representatives of Education & Training (SE, VET, HE) should contact their respective National agency in their country regarding their support for participation!**



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