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Call for Trainers

***“Synergies to implement the Youth Work Recommendation CM/Rec (2017)4:
Can the European Youth Card be used as the policy tool?”***

A 50/50 training seminar

of the Partial Agreement on Youth Mobility through the Youth Card
25-26 April 2022

AND

European University on Youth Policies (CDEJ Spring University)
27-29 April 2022

VALETTA, MALTA

THE CONTEXT

The Council of Europe Youth Department is part of the Directorate of Democratic Participation, within the Directorate General of Democracy of the Council of Europe and is responsible for the implementation of youth policy in the Council of Europe.

It is co-organising with the Youth Agency of Malta (**Aġenzija Żgħażaġh**) a 50/50 training seminar on Youth Work (25-26 April 2022) in the framework of the Partial Agreement on Youth Mobility through the Youth Card and a CDEJ European University on Youth Policies (27-29 April 2022) in Valetta, Malta.

THE 50/50 TRAINING SEMINAR *“Synergies to implement the Youth Work Recommendation CM/Rec (2017)4: Can the European Youth Card be used as the policy tool?”*

Youth work plays an important role in any youth policy. This is reflected in several important standards of the Council of Europe: Youth Work Agenda and the Committee of Ministers Recommendation CM/Rec(2017)4 on Youth Work, as Youth Work with and for young people is a condition for their successful integration and autonomy as current and future active, mobile and responsible citizens.¹ This is reflected in the priorities of the 2022-2023 Youth for Democracy programme.

¹ Also to take into account “Principles for Quality in Learning Mobility in the Youth Field », EPLM, Partnership between the Council of Europe and the European Commission in the field of youth

The training seminar is intended for youth policy makers, ideally from all states party to the Partial Agreement (up to 50 participants altogether) with a particular responsibility for youth work and/or youth mobility files, and representatives of national European Youth Card organisations. The format of the training seminar “50/50” implies participation of the equal number of representatives from the governmental and non-governmental sectors working with young people in countries which are party to the Partial Agreement and aims to strengthen their co-operation and partnership in the development of youth policy through the promotion and development of the European Youth Card scheme.

Objectives and thematic focus

The training seminar will focus on supporting policy makers to implement youth work policies and services meeting the standards of the Council of Europe in this field. Using as a starting point the Council of Europe Recommendation CM/REC (2017)⁴ on Youth Work addressed to its member governments but also other resources² available, the seminar aims to:

1. Strengthen the capacity of policy makers and youth card organisations to work together in implementing Council of Europe standards in the field of youth work;
2. Offer a unique space for members of the PA on Youth Mobility to build stronger partnerships with their country’s counterparts from the European Youth Card organisation (where relevant);
3. Identify possible synergies between different policy processes and understand better the role of the European Youth Card in addressing youth work challenges.

European University on Youth Policies (so called CDEJ Spring University)

Over the years, several editions of the European University on Youth Policies have been hosted by individual states. They focused on issues closely linked to European youth policy, such as co-management, youth participation, social inclusion of youth, Roma youth issues, etc. The 2022 edition will take place at the invitation of Maltese authorities on 27-29 April 2022 in the immediate aftermath of the 50/50 training seminar.

Objectives and thematic focus

The activity seeks to provide members of the CDEJ and Advisory Council (notably new members) with a learning experience which is likely to improve their motivation and capacity to actively participate in the work of the Council of Europe youth sector, notably in its co-management structures and to promote the Council of Europe standards in Youth Policy.

In accordance with the Council of Europe’s package of youth policy development measures, the main objectives of the Summer University are:

- to familiarise participants with the values, objectives, programmes and structures of the Council of Europe and its Youth Department, including the COE youth sector’s current priority issues its co-operation with the European Union;
- to improve participants’ understanding of the Council of Europe approaches to youth policy;
- to facilitate peer advice, networking and exchange good practices;
- to acquaint participants with the reality of youth, and youth work, in the host country.

² <https://www.coe.int/en/web/youth/youth-work>

This year's Spring University will specifically focus on the five strategic priorities for 2022-25 which are:

- Revitalising pluralistic democracy
- Young people's access to rights
- Living together in peaceful and inclusive societies
- Youth work
- Intergovernmental co-operation on youth policy

And which enable:

- young people from all spectra of European societies become empowered to participate in pluralistic democracy and promote human rights to build inclusive societies based on being equal in dignity and rights.
- member States to take concrete measures to develop and implement youth policies based on Council of Europe standards thereby facilitating young people's access to rights.

The specific objectives and expected results for both events will be further specified by the Council of Europe and the Maltese co-organisers, together with the trainer and rapporteur, at the preparatory meeting(s).

Both events will be held in English.

NATURE OF THE TASK

The Youth Department of the Council of Europe is looking for **one trainer** and **one rapporteur** who, together with the secretariat of the Council of Europe and the partners from Malta, will prepare, implement, evaluate (trainer) and record in writing and report on (rapporteur) **both the training course and the CDEJ Spring University**. The trainer will develop methodological guidelines, a learning strategy and an adapted working programme based on the principles of non-formal education.

Required competences of the trainer:

- participate in the preparatory meetings (on- and off-line) and in the evaluation for both events;
- organise the learning process, training curriculum and methodology for all the features and phases of the training seminar (trainer) for both events;
- provide educational and organisational advice and support to prepare and implement the training according to the Quality standards in education and training activities of the Youth Department, notably in design of the programme, choice of methodology and its implementation, and evaluation of the course for both events.

Required competences of the rapporteur:

- participate in the preparatory meetings (on- and off-line) and in the evaluation for both events;
- excellent writing and communication skills, with the ability to condense and translate technical information into compelling and accurate key messages;
- gather relevant information from the participants in view of the preparation of the report in advance and provide the final report in a word format for both events.

Specific competencies required of both the trainer and the rapporteur

- Standard competencies for being a Youth Department junior or senior trainer (http://www.coe.int/t/dg4/youth/Training/Quality_NFE/TP_presentation_en.asp);
- Experience with training of youth policy makers, representatives of civil society/non-profit organisations and at European level using non-formal education methodologies, preferably in 50/50 training courses and/or big international youth policy events;
- Knowledge of the Council of Europe's youth sector approaches to non-formal education, human rights education, youth policy, youth work and youth mobility as contained in different manuals and handbooks and ability to associate participants with the priorities and values of the institution;
- Ability to introduce the approaches of the Council of Europe in the field of youth policy, youth work and youth mobility;
- Ability to work with diverse target groups;
- Full command of oral and written English.

CRITERIA FOR SELECTION

The trainer and the rapporteur will be selected primarily according to the assessment of their individual compliance with the competences listed in this call and its specific requirements. The secretariat of the Council of Europe may apply other secondary criteria for the composition of the team that safeguards gender balance, geographical or linguistic diversity and complementarity of profiles and experiences.

PARTICULAR CONDITIONS

The trainer and the rapporteur must be strongly motivated and committed to contribute to the development of the 50/50 training seminar and the CDEJ Spring University and fully available for the whole duration of the event, including the evaluation and report finalisation.

This is a training seminar which will require availability from the trainer and rapporteur for:

- Up to three preparatory meetings in an online and off-line format in March and April 2022, as well as evaluation;
- a 2-day residential training seminar (25-26 April 2022) and a 3-day residential Spring University (27-29 April 2022) in Malta.

PROCEDURE FOR EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST

Trainers and rapporteurs interested in this call must express their interest by filling in the expression of interest form and return it to youthmobility@coe.int

Deadline for expressing interest: **23:59 (CET) 13 March 2022**

Form for expression of interest	50/50 training seminar in Malta 25-26 April 2022
Name and SURNAME:	
Email:	
Telephone/s:	
Address:	
Working languages	<input type="checkbox"/> English Other <input type="checkbox"/>

Please provide details about your experience and competences regarding:

1. Standard competencies for being a Youth Department junior or senior trainer (http://www.coe.int/t/dg4/youth/Training/Quality_NFE/TP_presentation_en.asp);
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4. Ability to introduce the approaches of the Council of Europe in the field of youth policy, youth work and youth mobility;
5. Ability to work with diverse target groups;

Your views about the relevance of this training seminar and the CDEJ Spring University:

What is your motivation to be a trainer or rapporteur for this activity?

Any additional information that might be relevant in assessing your application

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