Youth in Action

ACTION 4.6 - PARTNERSHIPS
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Action 4.6 - Background

- The **European Union**, through its programmes and policies in the field of youth over the last 20 years, has created and implemented models of non-formal learning activities.
- The acquisition of attitudes, values, skills and knowledge through **non-formal learning** becomes a key aspect of the personal, social, educational and professional development of young people in Europe.
- Many **regions, municipalities** and **civil society actors** become aware of the importance of undertaking initiatives in the field of non-formal learning as means to invest in youth.
- These actors recognise and value the role of **youth workers** in tackling challenges such as school failure, youth unemployment and social exclusion, as well as better using leisure time and improving skills.
Action 4.6 - Objectives of the YIA programme

- Promotion of young people’s active citizenship in general and their European citizenship in particular
- Development of solidarity and tolerance among young people
- Fostering of mutual understanding between young people from different countries
- Improvement of the quality of support systems for youth activities and the capabilities of civil society organisations in the youth field
- Promotion of European cooperation in the youth field
Permanent priorities of the Youth in Action Programme

- Participation of young people
- Cultural Diversity
- European citizenship
- Inclusion of young people with fewer opportunities
Annual priorities of the Youth in Action Programme

• Youth unemployment
• Inclusive growth
• Creativity and entrepreneurship
• Healthy Behaviours
Action 4.6 – General objective of the call

Support partnerships between the European Commission – via the EACEA – and the regions, municipalities, civil society actors and bodies active in Corporate Social Responsibility in order to develop over the long-term projects combining various measures of the Youth in Action Programme.
Action 4.6 – Specific objectives of the call

• Encourage the involvement in European youth and non-formal education activities

• Support the capacity building of bodies active in the youth field providing non-formal education opportunities to young people and youth workers

• Promote the development of sustainable networks, the exchange of good practices and the recognition of non-formal education
Action 4.6 – Characteristics of the partnerships

Activity programme including one or more of the following activities

• Transnational youth exchange
• National or transnational youth initiative
• European voluntary service
• Training and networking
Action 4.6 – Characteristics of the partnerships

Transnational Youth Exchange

- Offers an opportunity for groups of young people from different countries to meet and learn about each other’s culture
- Each group is lead by an adult (group leader) who ensures the effective learning, protection and safety
- The projects involve the active participation of young people
- A youth exchange is based on a transnational partnership
Action 4.6 – Characteristics of the partnerships

Youth initiative

• Project initiated, set up and carried out by young people themselves

• A youth initiative can be:

National

designed at local, regional or national level and developed by a single group of young people in their own country

Transnational

networking of initiatives jointly carried out by two or more groups of young people from different countries
Action 4.6 – Characteristics of the partnerships

European Voluntary service

- Enables **young people aged between 18 and 30** to carry out a voluntary service in a country other than their country of residence
- Beyond benefiting local communities, volunteers **learn new skills and languages** and **discover other cultures**
- Can focus on various **themes** such as youth, cultural heritage, sport, social care, art, civil protection, environment, development cooperation
Action 4.6 – Characteristics of the partnerships

**Training and networking**

- **Transnational** activities
- Consist of:
  - Job shadowing
  - Feasibility visits
  - Evaluation meetings
  - Study visits
  - Partnership-building activities
  - Seminars
  - Training courses
Action 4.6 – Eligible applicants

Proposals must be submitted by

- A regional or local public body
- An association or network of regional and/or local public bodies
- An European Grouping for Territorial Cooperation
- A foundation active at EU level in the youth field
- A non-profit body active at European level in the youth field (ENGO) with member organisations in at least 8 Programme countries
- A company/undertaking/profit-making body active in Corporate Social Responsibility in favour of youth

Applicants must have a legal status and must have been legally registered for at least 2 years in one of the Programme countries
Action 4.6 – Eligible partners

Same bodies as the applicants

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• Non-profit non-governmental organisations (NGO)
Action 4.6 – Eligible countries

- **27 members states** of EU: Austria, Belgium, Bulgaria, Cyprus, the Czech Republic, Denmark, Estonia, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Hungary, Ireland, Italy, Latvia, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Malta, the Netherlands, Poland, Portugal, Romania, Slovakia, Slovenia, Spain, Sweden, the United Kingdom

- **EFTA countries**: Iceland, Liechtenstein, Norway, Switzerland

- **2 candidate countries**: Croatia, Turkey
Action 4.6 – Award criteria

External independent experts

• Relevance of the project in relation to the objectives and priorities of the call (30%)

• Quality of the project and working methods (50%)

• Profile and number of participants (including those with fewer opportunities) and promoters involved in the project (20%)
Action 4.6 – Award Criteria

Priority given to projects

- Well-structured
- Framed with a longer-term perspective
- Planned with a view to achieve a multiplying effect and a sustainable impact
Action 4.6 – Funding rules

Budget

2.5 Mio €

Maximum grant per project: 100.000 €

Maximum co-financing: 50%

The applicant is expected to financially contribute to the realisation of each activity with at least the same amount of funding applied for from the European Union Budget.
Action 4.6 – Funding rules

- Activities financed through:
  - Actual costs
  - Scale of unit costs
  - Lump sum

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ACTION 4.6 – Conclusion – Strengths of the call

- **Strategic planning**: 2 years planning based on shared objectives, taking into account local and regional contexts

- **Simplification**: combination of series of activities, simplification of eligibility criteria and funding rules

- **Visibility**: opportunity for regions, municipalities, ENGOs and private bodies to give more resonance to their actions

- **Recognition of competences**: reinforcing tools and processes aimed at giving recognition of competences and skills acquired through non-formal learning experiences

- **Shared financial support**: partnerships co-financed 50%-50%, joining financial resources with a view to increase the impact of programmes in the field of youth
Action 4.6 – Practical information

TIMETABLE

• Submission of the applications:
  5 September 2013 by 12:00 (mid-day, Brussels time)

• Notification of the selection results:
  December 2013

• Signature of the grant agreements:
  January 2014

Starting date of the activities: 1/03/2014 -> 1/09/2014
Maximum duration: 24 months
Action 4.6 - Practical information

**ON-LINE eFORM** (BY MID-DAY, BRUSSELS TIME)
Download from our webpage:
http://eacea.ec.europa.eu/eforms/index_en.php#1

**Documents to be sent by post** (BY MID-DAY, BRUSSELSTIME)
- Description of the project (Word)
- Detailed budget (Excel)

And also: Declaration of honour (Pdf); Legal Entity form; Financial Identification form; official registration document; If applicable: VAT liability document; financial capacity form, profit & loss accounts and balance sheet if grant requested more than 60,000 € (except public bodies.

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