

FACILITATING GLOBAL LEARNING – KEY COMPETENCES OF MEMBERS FROM EUROPEAN CSOs

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Partners:

- Forum for international development + planning (FINEP) - Germany
- Entwicklungspädagogisches Informationszentrum EPiZ im Arbeitskreis Eine Welt Reutlingen e.V.
- Instituto Marquês de Valle Flôr – Portugal
- AIDGLOBAL - Acção e Integração para o Desenvolvimento Global – Portugal
- Assistance and Programs for Sustainable Development – Agenda 21 - Romania

Location:

Germany, Romania, Portugal

Duration: 36 months (April 2013 – March 2016)

Overall objective:

The project contributes to an improved quality of Global Learning (GL) within non-formal education through building skills, knowledge and understanding about theory and practice of GL. It promotes the **key competences of GL**, taking into account intercultural skills, respect and tolerance in multi-ethnic societies. Global Learning offers individuals the chance to take on a different perspective. It stimulates learners with thought-provoking impulses to reflect upon their value system while at the same time avoids forcing them to adopt the value system inherent in the project itself.

The action prepares the participants for the overarching aim of acting as educators in GL. As a contribution to an increase of the numbers of multipliers for GL in Europe it will thus contribute to the active engagement of European citizens as advocates towards a more just and sustainable globalised society. GL educators will be able to prepare the ground to change the behavior of the future target groups who will eventually benefit from the trainees' educational events. But it will ultimately remain within the personal decision and values of the future target groups whether this change in behavior towards more global fairness will take

Specific objective

The action focuses on the training of members of CSO in DE, PT and RO who are involved in GL projects or interested in promoting projects on GL, in response to the noticeable demand for trainings in the three target countries. As an overarching strategy to reach all these important actors in the field of GL is long overdue, the action will bridge this gap by developing a curriculum for a training course



“Facilitating Global Learning - key competences of CSOs in Germany, Portugal and Romania”. By the end of this project, an innovative, state-of-the-art training course geared towards civil society representatives from Germany, Romania and Portugal and encompassing GL approaches as well as actions challenging the social dimension of globalization will have been developed, put into practice, assessed and successfully disseminated throughout Europe. Exchange of country-based experiences on GL as well as knowledge transfer between old and new EU member states is a crucial element in the development of GL training courses that correspond to the requirements of each country.

Target group

Members of CSOs in Germany, Portugal and Romania who are involved in GL projects or interested in promoting Global Learning projects

The main activities:

- ❖ Conduct a study on GL training courses and adult learning (AL) for volunteers for each participating country
- ❖ Organize a workshop on theories and practice of GL and AL
- ❖ Set up and amend a training curriculum
- ❖ Implementation of five introductory courses
- ❖ Implementation of test courses in each country
- ❖ Development and production of training course manual
- ❖ Organize a congress “WeltWeitWissen” (literally translated: worldwide knowledge)
- ❖ Dissemination of the concept material among 400 NGOs from the EU
- ❖ Round tables and meetings with members of parliament, members of the government policy makers
- ❖ and representatives of the civil society in each country
- ❖ Fair within the House of Parliament
- ❖ “Regional conference on development issues”
- ❖ Organize political dialogue with key actors in ministries and the parliament

Expected results

The core activity of the project – the training course - will contribute to continuously increase the number of multipliers who work in the area of GL, apart from improving the quality of the multipliers’ work. It will motivate and qualify people to engage in actions against poverty fostering fair relationships between the so called developed and developing countries and encourage them to change their attitudes and lifestyles. In accordance to the principles of DE the training course will be based on participatory, individual, cooperative learning methods. At the end of the project participants will have acquired essential competences necessary to facilitate educational events in the field of global education. They will be able to adapt their knowledge and skills according to their future target groups and learning environments.



- The training course and its accompanying material are jointly developed, implemented, evaluated and improved.

Outputs:

- ✓ 5 introductory courses (3 in Germany, 1 in Portugal and Romania each) for 16 volunteers each
- ✓ Test courses in each country: 4 modules à 2 days for 16 volunteers
- ✓ The most important output is a manual for the GL training course which is elaborated with the collaboration of all partners. It is worked out on the results of the test courses realized in each country and it will be adapted to the realities in each country.

- GL and the concept of the course are disseminated in the partner countries and throughout Europe.

Outputs:

- ✓ Congress WeltWeitWissen (literally translated: *worldwide knowledge*), a nationwide congress that is embedded in the Global Education Week and part of the UN Decade of Education for Sustainable Development.
- ✓ The GL training course manual will be presented during meetings and conferences and sent to ca. 400 NGOs/CSOs in all partner countries.

- The political framework conditions for GL are improved in the participating countries.

Outputs

- ✓ At least 50 members of parliament have assisted in Round Tables and talks about GL in Germany
- ✓ At least 10 meetings with the participation of representatives of the government were realized in Germany
- ✓ One fair within the House of Parliaments in Baden-Württemberg (BW)
- ✓ 3 regional conferences in BW for 40 persons
- ✓ 6-8 Round Tables organized in Romania
- ✓ 2 Round Tables organized in Portugal

- An efficient and operational system for public relations, administration, monitoring, evaluation and financial control is implemented.

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