



Erasmus+

TRAINING  
COURSE  
(2 STAGES)

**INFO PACK**

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# STEPS TOWARDS HUMANITARIAN ACTION

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# BACKGROUND & PROJECT DESCRIPTION

Today we face hugely increased number of humanitarian crisis, caused by conflicts, disasters and climate change. On behalf of the increased variations of such challenge, “Steps Towards Humanitarian Action” is a training course with two stages, aiming to uncover and analyze the ways how young people can lead and drive solutions in humanitarian action, among youth workers, young professionals and volunteers coming from EU and EECA region.

Today, half the global population is under 30 years old. That is more young people than ever before. And more than 600million of them, a group larger than the entire population of the European Union, live in fragile and conflict-affected settings. Every day, we see news reports and devastating images of people affected by crises trying to survive, fleeing conflict or coping with natural disasters. We are witnessing more frequent and severe natural disasters, driven in part by climate change.

The breaking point from crisis to its transformation lays on the analysis of the ways of involvement. Raising awareness and prioritizing on how we can tackle the issue, can be a key towards problem-solving.

If given a chance, the world's young people can help lead the way forward, from early preparedness to disaster risk-reduction, to emergency response, to rehabilitation and recovery. Young women and men are driving innovative, creative solutions and insights into humanitarian crises. They are the best adapted to/in social technology, enabling them to mobilize efforts at local levels.

Young people can be seen as key partners in emergencies and protracted crises, for example in the United Nations Security Council Resolution on Youth, Peace & Security and the Compact on Young People in Humanitarian Action signed at the World Humanitarian Summit (2016). The time is now to support population to create more peaceful and resilient societies in the face of increasing disasters and uncertainty. We should challenge negative power dynamics and engage with them more strategically in humanitarian action, to drive solutions and contribute in the transformation of societies.

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# PROJECT AIMS TO:

*The training course is based on non-formal education principles and will be prepared by qualified trainers, to share maximum of their experience in the field, in order to help participants to use gained knowledge and practical skills farther in their work.*

- raise awareness about humanitarian response to conflict and disaster;
- promote youth capacity building and share best practices in humanitarian settings;
- prioritize the rights, participation and leadership of young people;
- discover how young people can lead and drive solutions in humanitarian action;
- analyze key lessons for meaningful engagement of young people in humanitarian response;
- support the engagement of young people throughout the key stages of the humanitarian cycle;
- explore the tools of enabling humanitarian access to populations in need, such as refugees/asylum seekers and migrants;
- provide a space for experience exchange;
- empower participants to use new competences farther in their target groups.

## **STAGE 1ST, TRAINING COURSE IN GEORGIA DATE: APRIL 7-13**

During the first phase of the project, participants will be introduced key principles and concepts underlying humanitarian action and actors in the field of humanitarian response, strategic elements, current issues and challenges facing humanitarian sector. This stage will also cover essentials humanitarian inquiries, conflict response and peace-building, cultural dimension, people under risk and response management.

## **STAGE 2ND, TRAINING COURSE IN MALTA ESTIMATED DATE: AUTUMN**

After providing content and theoretical aspects, during second stage participants will be involved in capacity building and problem-solving activities, interdisciplinary learning frameworks, simulation and risk assessment workshops of the humanitarian programme.

*Overall, the project will introduce participants to humanitarian action approaches, give them an opportunity for cooperation and networking, encourage to work in different settings. Participants will be able to gain new experience for personal and professional development in the field and will have the opportunity to see which areas would best fit their strengths farther.*

# WHO WE ARE



International Alliance for Integration and Sustainability (IAIS) – is a non-profit organisation based in Malta that aims to create an alliance that will provide projects, training courses and networking opportunities to tackle complex social issues like racism, social cohesion, migrant integration, youth empowerment, poverty, climate action, and sustainable development. IAIS has over a hundred networked NGOs in Europe, Asia and Africa ranging from Western and Eastern Europe, Balkans, Caucasus, South East (SE) Asia and North Africa.

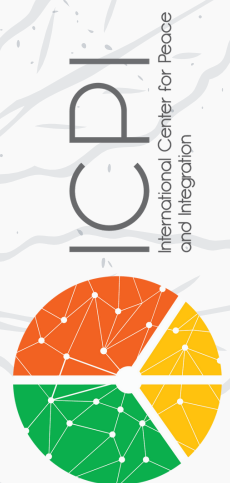
IAIS started off in 2017 as an informal group of young people looking to do some good in the community and since then the team has been working on areas, such as:

- Integration of cultural minorities in society
- Raise awareness on diversity and multiculturalism
- Foster inter-cultural and religious dialogues
- Develop interventions and methods of conflict management and non-violent communications
- Sustainable Development
- Quality Education
- Reduced Inequalities
- Peace, Justice & Strong Institutions

The International Center for Peace and Integration (ICPI) is a Georgian not-for-profit nongovernmental organization with a mission to provide the platform for the development of self-aware, progressive and engaged youth in civil society. We encourage personal growth, innovation and positive change through critical thinking, intercultural understanding, support for new initiatives and collaboration. The team of ICPI promotes democratic values, peace-building and social entrepreneurship for a more sustainable society. We believe in the power of education as a means to plant the seeds of change in attitude and action.

Since 2011 ICPI is implementing non formal learning programs in the following fields:

- Social entrepreneurship
- Collaborative Consumption and Social Economy
- Confidence building
- Management of Migration
- Non-violent communication and conflict management
- Personal Development
- Environmental challenges and outdoor activities



## OUR PARTNERS

Partnership for this project is build up as cooperation to do something together that will benefit all involved, bringing results that could not be achieved by a single partner operating alone.



[Galicia Connection](#)



[Eurasia Youth Team](#)



[Oyoun Masr Association for Cultural and Social Development](#)



[Crossing Borders](#)



[Civic organization "Development and Initiative"](#)



[Lebanese Association for Medical Protection](#)



[Roes Cooperativa](#)



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## PROJECT COSTS

100% of accommodation, food and transportation during the project will be covered with the support of ERASMUS+.

It is necessary for participants to have travel and health insurance valid for both Georgia and Malta (not covered by project).

Due to COVID, we strongly recommend to buy refundable or flexible tickets.

Participants can stay a maximum of 2 extra days outside of the project dates. If you want to arrive a day earlier and/or stay a night longer, it is possible, but these extra nights will be at your expense.

Bear in mind that only the most economical transportation will be reimbursed. All the necessary information about the reimbursement procedures and documents the participants need to provide will be explained on the and also sent as a reimbursement guide later on via technical information package. Make sure to keep all original tickets, invoices, boarding passes.

**Participants are requested Vaccination Certificates that are acknowledged by the EU!**

According to the new rules of Erasmus+, the maximum amount that we can reimburse for each participant is indicated in the following grid.

<u>Country</u>	<u>N of Participants</u>	<u>Travel Budget</u>	<u>Visa Budget</u>
	5	360€	-
	3	820€	-
	3	275€	-
	3	275€	20€
	3	360€	-
	3	275€	-
	3	275€	-
	3	275€	-
	3	275€	-

1st stage Georgia

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## Who are we looking for?!

- Resident in the country of their sending/receiving organization
- Age 20+
- Independent user of English language
- **Available for both stages of the project!**
- Youth workers, volunteers, young professionals
- Motivation and concern for humanitarian issues
- Readiness and availability to involve in the project actively and dedicate time and effort to it
- Newcomers in Erasmus+ programme are highly welcomed
- Priority will be given to the participants with fewer opportunities
- Teams will be selected by the sending organizations through the open calls. Gender balance is highly encouraged!



## Covid-19

- Please note, these are the current regulations regarding border crossing. We can not guarantee that these regulations remain the same towards the start of the project but we will stay in touch with our partners, in case they might change. Please check also the regulations for your country for returning home
- For the most updated and full information about entry in Georgia, check: [Link 1](#) and [Link 2](#)
- Wearing masks is obligated in all public spaces. This means also on public transport, in taxis, on the street etc.
- For Malta we will provide an update of the traveling regulations later so they will be up-to-date around the time of the second stage. You can always check the site 'Re-open Eu' for the current measures



## Other?!

- During the project safety rules will be respected and safety equipment (masks, hand sanitizers) will be available
- Use of drugs and illegal substances during both stages of the project is not allowed. Since traditional alcoholic beverages can be a part of cultural evening, we only advice drinking in moderation!
- Please note that EAIS and ICPI may use audiovisual tools (pictures, videos, livestream, project movie) for the purpose of dissemination of the project results. If you DO NOT wish to appear in these digital materials, please inform us
- **Special needs:** Please let us know before the projects starts if you have any kind of special needs (regarding food, allergies, etc.)
- Detailed info about venue and the accommodation will be provided for selected participants later in the technical infopack

# CONTACT



**For more information or if you have any questions about the project, please do not hesitate to contact us on the project e-mail:**

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**Deadline for selecting participants:**  
**February 28**

**Deadline for purchasing the airline tickets:**  
**March 10**

**Note: After selection process, you may start looking for travel options and send your travel proposals to [humanitarianaction.erasmus@gmail.com](mailto:humanitarianaction.erasmus@gmail.com)**

**Wait for our confirmation before you buy the tickets!**

**We look forward to seeing you soon!**

**Project Team**