BABEL EDUCATION and ERASMUS+ PROGRAMME

Present

The international training course:

**Storytelling: senses and competences**

21\textsuperscript{st}-28\textsuperscript{th} February 2015 in Timisoara, Romania
Who we are?

**Babel Education** is a Non-Governmental Organization created in 2010 in Romania by a young and optimistic group of teachers who wanted to contribute to a change in education. Our main purpose is to increase the opportunities and contribute to the development of non-formal methods of education in our community. We want to offer and contribute to the personal growth of individuals of different ages and backgrounds.

**We are active in the following areas:**
- Empowering young people to have a proactive attitude
- Promoting non-formal methods of education
- Storytelling and Creative Writing
- Resource Center for teachers EduCafè
- Building empathy
- TEMEsoara- the town of easy homework

What is Storytelling: senses and competences?

**Storytelling: senses and competences** is a training course which will take place between 21\(^{st}\) and 28\(^{th}\) February in Romania, in Timișoara. The project themes are:

- Non-formal method of education Storytelling through all senses;
- Youth Empowerment;
- Self-Empowerment;
- Employability
- Healthy Behaviors.

In this project are 7 organizations:

Babel Education (Romania) – the coordinating organization-
Klub studentu, rodicu a pratel Cyrilometodejskeho gymnazia v Prostejove (Czech Republic)
Cooperativa Sociale Immaginaria A R.L.Olnus (Italy)
Klubs Maja - jaunatne vienotai Eiropai (Latvia)
Piedzivojumu parks (Latvia)
Animashow Associação Cultural e Recreativa (Portugal)
Stowarzyszenie Sprezyna - Centrum Edukacji Nieformalnej (Poland)
The aim of the project is to make youth workers aware of the potential of the innovative method of Storytelling in developing competences needed for employability.

To achieve our aim we have the following objectives:

1. enabling 20 youth workers to get to know and experience the non-formal method of Storytelling;
2. offering the 20 participants the opportunity to discover and understand the employability competences that are developed through Storytelling;
3. creating an intercultural network of youth workers and organizations that use the method of Storytelling in developing employability skills;
4. creating printed and online tools to promote the method of Storytelling in working with young people (the Storytelling Resource Pack and the Storytelling Resource Blog)

Before coming
Tasks to prepare:
In order to fully grasp the experience during the 6 days of the training, we kindly ask you to prepare some activities before coming:
1. Please prepare a traditional story and an object related to the story
2. Please think and prepare also a personal learning story that you would like to share
3. Please get ready to teach a traditional dance and a national song
4. Please bring some traditional food and drinks
5. Please bring your national flag
6. Also, don’t forget about some promotional materials about your organization. Could be a perfect context to build-up future partnerships.
7. Babel Education started its activity by creating a library that has books in foreign languages. If you would like to contribute to the sustainability of our library, please bring also with you (in order to donate it) a book for children and teenagers: 3-19 years old in English/ German/ Italian/ French/ Spanish/ Hungarian.

Thank you very much in advance!
When?

Participants' Arrival day: 21\textsuperscript{th} February 2015
Full working days: 22\textsuperscript{nd}-27\textsuperscript{th} (6 days) February
Departure day: 28\textsuperscript{th} February 2015

The Training Course

The course is prepared and will be run on the basis of a methodology that emphasizes active participation and commitment of all who's involved. Therefore, the program is subject to regular changes and adaptations before and during the course. The activities foreseen are ice-breakers, role-plays, teambuilding and outdoor activities, debates, open space and several workshops to develop life skills and competences useful for any youth worker. The working methods are the: “Experiential learning”, “Educator to Peer” and "Peer to Peer”.

The participants will also organize some local events for the local youth.

Very important: your tickets have to be given to the organizers during the project. Therefore, if you cannot provide your original tickets, receipts and invoices clearly stating the travel agency, your name and the exact costs of the tickets, we will not be able to reimburse you.

Where?

The training course will take place in Timisoara (West part of Romania) [https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=V3Wdd7bn23M](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=V3Wdd7bn23M).


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About Romania

With a surface area of 238,391 square kilometres (92,043 sq mi), Romania is the largest country in southeastern Europe and the twelfth-largest in Europe. Romania's terrain is distributed roughly equally between mountainous, hilly and lowland territories. The Carpathian Mountains dominate the centre of Romania, with 14 mountain ranges reaching above 2,000 m/6,600 ft, and the highest point at Moldoveanu Peak (2,544 m/8,346 ft). These are surrounded by the Moldavian and Transylvanian plateaus and Pannonian and
Wallachian plains. Romania’s geographical diversity has led to an accompanying diversity of flora and fauna.

Our currency is the Romanian Leu (RON): 1 Euro = 4.40 RON

Romania is member of the EU since 1st of January 2007;

**Prices in Romania**
Prices in Romania are not so high and this is true for nearly every kind of goods, except for cigarettes, fuel, coffee and alcohol.

**Examples for prices in Romania:**
- Bread 500 g +/- 1,00 EUR
- Beer 0,25 ltr +/- 2 EUR
- Softdrink 0,25 ltr +/- 1,5 EUR
- Sandwich +/- 1,80 EUR
- Dish of the Day +/- 5 EUR

**The Weather in Timisoara:**
There will be around 4 – 9 degrees during the day and -5 – 0 during the night

**Contact information**
If you have questions, something is not clear or you want to know more about the training, you can use the contacts below:

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"My place in Europe" evening