

CALL FOR PARTICIPANTS

DigiZation – Consultative Meeting

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Municipality of Portimão, Portugal

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DigiZation

DigiZation is a KA2- project funded by Erasmus + programme that addresses the development of high-quality skills for youth workers and organizational staff who is working to raise the level of participation of young people and to ensure more inclusion in participatory processes of youth from diverse backgrounds. It is lead by Popedu (Austria), that has as partners DYPALL (Portugal), Out of Box (Belgium) and CID (Macedonia).



Its main goals are:

- Develop a common understanding of the concepts related to digital participation of young people and its,
- Identify and critically review the current digital solutions in practice in the partner organizations and to assess their multiplication capacity,
- Create a virtual community for sharing experiences and good practices using digital tools,
- Provide capacity building to staff members of the partner organizations,
- Support participants in analyzing and further developing their organization ´s internal processes and mechanisms in order to encompass digital participation solutions.

To achieve it, the project will have several steps as a consultative and experts meeting in Portugal, a training for multipliers in Macedonia, local multipliers events and an evaluation seminar & international conference. In parallel, it will be mapped good practices in the different countries and organization and it will be created a booklet collecting all the outputs and also some with some contributions from the experts involved.

Consultative Meeting

This Consultative Meeting is designed for **municipality officers, youth workers or members of youth councils or other participation mechanisms within the municipality (local governance)**, who aim to explore the topic of Digital Participation in Youth Organizations to engage young people.

The meeting will involve 8 participants from the 4 partner countries, Austria, Belgium, Macedonia and Portugal and also 4 experts on the topic from each country who will work on the booklet and contribute for the discussing in joint sessions.

During these days it will be possible discuss the state of art of the Digital Youth Participation in Europe in what concerns to structures, instruments and mechanisms of participation of young people and it also brings insights and experiences in how to develop sustainable and inclusive engagement of young people.

The project will allow discussion and sharing good practices regarding digital tools which can be used as key elements for real and effective youth participation. By the end of this

consultative meeting participants will develop together strategies to strength digital Youth Participation in their different contexts and communities and thorough knowledge on how to create and run in a sustainable way structures for digital youth participation.

This study visit is the first implementation phase of the **project “Digization”**, and it will allow further to work together and implement specific tools at the local level, mapping the channels that are used by the participants and their organizations.

Objectives

The specific objectives of this consultative meeting are:

- To experience and understand the specificities related to digital youth participation;
- To explore further the needs and challenges of digital youth participation in different countries;
- To share good practices and to think of ways to transfer to one’s own reality;
- To think of innovative ways of youth participation (new technologies, long-distance tools, etc.);
- To offer possibilities for long-term partnership building among organizations active in the field of youth participation, for future projects.

What’s next?

The Consultative meeting is part of a longer project, which counts the following steps:

- **Training for Multipliers in Macedonia, 13-19 May 2019:** participants from the Consultative meeting will share the outcomes of the meeting, including the booklet with their names, with other representatives of youth organisations, municipalities, universities etc. who are willing to improve their capacity of using digital tools
- **Practical Implementation phase, May - September 2019:** participants will be supported by the partner organisations in piloting in their local communities some of the identified good practices, supported by the booklet, with an added value to the practices implemented in partnership with municipalities or educational institutions or enterprises
- **Evaluation seminar & International conference, 17-22 September 2019:** Participants come together and evaluate the implementation, impact and potential benefit of the project on individual and organisations

Once you apply, we would love to have you onboard for the whole duration of the project, giving you the opportunity to come with us in Macedonia and in Vienna to share your experience in digital tools and youth work.

Participants' profile

This study visit is mostly targeting youth leaders, youth workers and youth municipality officers. Moreover, the participants must:

- Be able to work in English;
- Be willing to contribute with their experience to the consultative meeting;
- Becoming from Austria, Portugal, Macedonia and Belgium;
- Be able to attend the whole duration of the Consultative Meeting;
- Have relevant experience in the topic of digital youth participation;
- Highly motivated towards learning about digital youth participation.

We are **targeting the following profiles per country:**

Local youth worker or project manager working with and for youth and young people.

Practical information

Traveling days and expenses

- **Arrival day** is 13th January 2019 (preferably until 18h), and **departure day** is 19th January 2019 (preferably after 12 a.m). *The arrival and departure airport is Faro.*
- **Flight tickets** shall be bought only after agreement and confirmation with the organizers. Travel expenses to and from the venue will be reimbursed up to a maximum pre-agreed with the organizers, according to the Erasmus + Key Action 2 rules.

From	Distance band	Maximum of Travel Costs
Austria	2000-2999km	360€
Portugal	10-99km	20€
Macedonia	2000-2999km	360€
Belgium	500-1999km	275€

- Please note that if the city you are departing from does not belong to the distance band designated on the table, the amount of eligible reimbursement will change. Check the distance band of your city at this link:
https://ec.europa.eu/programmes/erasmus-plus/resources/distance-calculator_en
- **Reimbursement** will be done via bank transfer after the Consultative Meeting.

- **Accommodation and meals** will be provided by the organizers. Any particular need should be communicated at the moment of registration.

Other information

- An **info-pack** with further details on accommodation and programme will be shared with the selected participants
- There is **no participation fee**

Registration procedures

To **apply** for participation in this Study visit, please **fill in the online registration form**:

<https://goo.gl/forms/9DwLFnwGzMzIEaU02>

The deadline for application is **9th December 2018** by 23:59h CET.

Selection results will be announced by 13th December 2018.

Venue

This Meeting visit will be organized by DYPALL Network in Portimão.

Portimão is a municipality in the district of Faro, in the Algarve region of southern Portugal. The population is around 56,000 inhabitants.



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**Thank you
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Good Luck with your
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