

DRAFT invitation

Adult Education Transnational Cooperation Activity (TCA)

"The relevance of Adult Education and the Erasmus+ Program"

Lisbon, 2 - 3 June 2016

The Portuguese Erasmus+ Education and Training National Agency (NA E&T), under the Adult Education sector (AE), is going to organize a transnational Cooperation event on the 2nd and 3rd of June 2016, in Lisbon. This event, under the title "The relevance of Adult Education and Erasmus+ Program", consists of a European Conference and a Contact Seminar Erasmus+ addressed to Portuguese and European people involved in Adult Education. The Contact Seminar is related to Key-Action 2 (KA2) – Strategic Partnerships, in the field of Adult Education (AE), and is aimed to Portuguese and European institutions with no experience in Erasmus+ projects.

Working language: English (EN)

Main objectives

The objectives for these two days are to promote and highlight the importance of adult education sector to European societies and to create Erasmus+ / AE projects with more quality and impact. This need to emphasize the Adult Education arises, among other reasons, from the under-representation of the sector in the Program, which reserves to its financing only 5% of the Erasmus+ 2014-2020 total budget.

2th of June 2016 - European Conference

On the first day, the European Conference will aim not only to bring together major players to present their opinions, practices and experiences, but also the opportunity to discuss priority issues, according to the European Commission, for this educational sector. The conference will include the participation of Portuguese and international Adult Education institutions, as well as representatives of national AE authorities, European coordinators of the European Agenda for Adult Education and representatives of other AN Erasmus+ Education and Training, all from different European countries. This event will count with a maximum of 100 participants, from those 30 should be nationals and 70 foreigners. Participants should check with their Erasmus+ National Agency if are eligible for a participation grant.

3rd of June 2016 - Contact Seminar

The second day, the contact seminar under the Key-action 2 (KA2) Adult Education, will have the goal to build partnerships for projects under KA2 on priority topics for AE (which were discussed on the previous day), to be presented in the next call for applications for the Erasmus+ program in 2017. For this purpose, it will be presented the key-action 2, the quality criteria and the application form (latest version available), and there will be conditions for networking. The participants, who will be part of the audience of the first day, will be selected by their own National Agency and will receive a participation grant to cover all expenditures.

Foreign participants

European Conference on 2nd of June

Participants: Professionals from AE institutions, AE's authorities and any other stakeholders

Number of registrations: Up to 70 foreign participants (to be selected by the Portuguese and/or by the Erasmus+ NA of your country)

To get registered: If not eligible for a grant, participants should complete and submit to the Portuguese Education and Training E+ NA the registration form by this link – **Soon will be available** -

Preference criteria:

- 1st: Safeguarding the diversity of the type of AE Institutions;
- 2nd: Registration order.

Participation in the workshops: After being selected to the event, the Portuguese NA E+ ET will contact you by email to present the 6 topics to be discussed, so you can choose it by your preference order.

Contact Seminar on the 3rd of June

Participants: Adult education institutions eligible to submit applications to the Erasmus+ program (i.e., any public or private organisation active in the field of adult education), that have participated in the first day's event, in the European Conference.

Participants should also have never been beneficiaries of the Erasmus+ Program/Adult Education before.

Number of registrations (Out of the 70 participants above mentioned): Up to 42 foreign participants (to be selected by Erasmus+ NA of your country)

To get registered: Please contact your Erasmus+ National Agency. You can find the contacts of your National Agency by this link: <http://ec.europa.eu/programmes/erasmus-plus/contact#tab-1-0>