



Info pack

ToT

„Beyond Escape“

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Dear partners and participants,
in this document you will find all important
information about our Training of trainers that
will be held in June 2026 in Nova Gradiška,
Croatia.

Please read the information carefully!

This Information Pack shall provide you with all
the necessary information to guarantee a great,
interesting, educational, funny, respectful, joyful
and creative experience.

We look forward to seeing you soon :)





What's it all about?

Since February 2025, our consortium—Association Studio B (Croatia), Association Light (Serbia), YEU Cyprus, and Erasmiau (Spain)—has been implementing the “Inclusive Pathways to Peace” project. Co-funded by the Erasmus+ program under Key Action 2: Cooperation Partnership in the field of Youth, this initiative runs through September 30, 2026.

Our primary goal is to champion innovative peace education as a form of civic engagement, promoting shared values while actively preventing radicalization and combating social polarization. Additionally, we are strengthening the capacity of our organizations in international youth work by sharing and adopting innovative best practices.

The project began with Participatory Action Research conducted across all four partner countries to gain insights into youth perspectives on violence, attitudes toward marginalized groups, and potential solutions for positive change.

We are currently putting the finishing touches on our 8 interactive educational escape rooms, which incorporate digital elements such as 360° photography, videography, and augmented reality. With the final details being finalized, we are preparing to move into the translation phase, where all educational resources will be produced in six languages: English, Croatian, Serbian, Greek, Turkish, and Spanish.

To ensure long-term impact and sustainability, our strategy focuses on comprehensive skill-building:

- Training for Trainers (ToT): We are equipping youth workers who have been involved throughout the project with the expertise to apply this methodology in their future professional practice.
- Through the ToT process, we will mentor 8 Youth practitioners who were not previously involved in project activities. These participants will be equipped with new skills and knowledge, ensuring that the project's impact extends to a much broader audience.
- These activities ensure that the methodology remains a practical, long-term tool for youth empowerment and peacebuilding.





Hosting organization

The Association for the promotion of active participation Studio B is a non-governmental and a nonprofit organization situated in the eastern part of Croatia. The organization was founded with the aim to achieve a balanced development of local communities as well as the development of civil society. We strive to promote and improve the rights of youth and increase the quality of youth activities while increasing their level of information. The scope of activity of the Association in accordance with the objectives is: - Democratic political culture - Human rights - Education, Science and Research - Social Activities - Sustainable development. Our target groups are children, youth and women from rural area. Our mission is to support young people from our region, develop non-formal education, entrepreneurship, creativity, environmental consciousness, foster democracy, human rights and develop solidarity and tolerance among young. An important priority for us is to ensure inclusion of all people, including young people with fewer opportunities; especially those with geographical obstacles.

Our Association is a legal entity since January 2017, and so far, we have implemented numerous local and international projects and initiatives, as follows: In the field of Erasmus+ program our organization has been a partner in several projects with following topics: gender equality, Internet addiction among youth, bullying and hate speech, mental health, youth participation. We have also implemented regional project aimed at youth under the title “Youth can do differently” with the topic of violence prevention, conflict resolution and peace building.

<https://www.instagram.com/udrugastudiob/>





Partner organizations

Association Light, Serbia [@udruzenje.svetlost](https://www.instagram.com/udruzenje.svetlost)

ASOCIACIÓN JUVENIL ERASMIAU, Spain [@erasmiau](https://www.instagram.com/erasmiau)

YEU, Cyprus [@yeu_cyprus](https://www.instagram.com/yeu_cyprus)



Who are we looking for?

The ToT will host a total of 12 participants (3 per country).

Each national team will consist of:

- One Youth Practitioner who have been actively involved throughout the project, particularly in the design and development phases of the escape rooms.
- Two Youth Practitioners who have not been previously involved in project activities. As a primary target group, these practitioners—including youth workers, trainers, educators, teachers, counselors, and community organizers—are specifically seeking effective tools for conflict prevention and resolution among young people. Through this training they will be equipped with new skills and knowledge that they can apply to their own local initiatives, ensuring the project's impact reaches a broader audience.

We are looking for motivated participants eager to apply and share new skills locally. A good level of English and a willingness to implement and disseminate the acquired knowledge are essential to maximize the project's impact.

What will we do?

The training will foster an inclusive, 'learning by doing' environment through interactive methods such as group tasks, games, and structured reviews.

Workshops will prioritize affordability and accessibility by using simple, locally sourced materials. Furthermore, preparatory national meetings will ensure all participants are well-prepared and supported with logistical arrangements.





Financial conditions (travel, accommodation)

Accommodation and food: 100% covered by Erasmus + Program.

Travel costs were budgeted according Erasmus + conditions (using the EU distance calculator) <https://erasmus-plus.ec.europa.eu/resources-and-tools/distance-calculator>

Partners, travel costs and number of participants are as follows:

Partner organization	Country	Number of YP	Reimbursement per participant
ASOCIACIÓN JUVENIL ERASMIAU	Spain	3	309,00 €
YEU CYPRUS	Cyprus	3	309,00 €
UDRUŽENJE SVETLOST	Serbia	3	285,00 €





Travel (ARRIVAL & DEPARTURE)

The participants should arrive to Nova Gradiška on 7th of June and depart on 13th of June 2026.

Some info about transportation:

1. Airport to city centre timetable: <https://plesoprijevoz.hr/en/start/>
2. Main bus station: <https://www.akz.hr/en>
3. Main train station: <http://www.hzpp.hr/en>

If you arrive by plane to Zagreb, you should take the Zagreb airport public bus that will take you directly to Main Bus Station. Then you should take a bus to Nova Gradiška; there are several busses a day; though we request that you arrive to Nova Gradiška by 7 p.m. latest, so plan your trip accordingly. The ride is approx. 2 hours.

You can buy the ticket online on <https://www.arriva.com.hr/en-us/home> as well.

Once you arrive to Nova Gradiška you will be picked up by our team. In case you decide to travel by train you should go from the airport to the Main train station In Zagreb and take a train to Nova Gradiška. However, **we highly recommend the bus.**

In case you'll come by car there is a free parking lot within the hotel premises.

Please inform us about your plans on time so we can give you the best possible advice.

We kindly remind you that early accommodation and extra overstays will be your responsibility.

Travel Tips

- Make sure you have a valid (not expired) ID card or a valid Passport.
- Make sure to have your European Health Card in your wallet.
- Pack in your hand luggage some “back-up” clothes and underwear in case your suitcase gets lost in the airport.
- Keep all your boarding passes and travelling tickets otherwise we will not be able to make any reimbursements.
- Only public transportation will be reimbursed (e. g.: taxi at your own expense).





Venue and Accommodation

- The mobility will take place in Nova Gradiška, a small city in the Slavonia, east region of Croatia. Further info about Nova Gradiška can be found here: https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Nova_Gradi%C5%A1ka
- Participants will be accommodated in “**Hotel Kralj Tomislav**”. You can check it out here: <https://www.hotel-kralj-tomislav.hr/en/home-english/>
- The hotel has dedicated spaces for sessions, a dining area with healthy meals, and an old pub in the basement perfect for hanging out in the evening. Accommodation will be arranged by gender, with 2-3 participants sharing a room. The venue was selected based on previous successful projects and positive participant feedback. The reception is open 24 / 7.
- Internet connection will be available at all venues of the project
- Towels are provided by the accommodation facility but we advise you to bring your own personal hygiene items.
- The venue is in the city center and there are shopping facilities on walking distance.





WHAT TO BRING, WHAT TO PREPARE

Comfortable clothes

Make sure to bring comfortable clothes. June in Nova Gradiška is warm and pleasant, daytime highs average 20°C–27°C, with mild, comfortable evenings around 15°C, so you should bring some warm clothes. Don't forget your sunglasses and sunscreen!

Personal insurance

Insurance cover for personal effects is the responsibility of the individual participant. You are recommended to ensure that you have adequate medical and travel insurance to cover the period of your stay in Croatia. Neither our organization nor any venue used during the event can entertain claims against loss of or damage to personal property.

PROOF OF ALL THE TRAVEL EXPENSES

If you come by plane, please be sure to bring evidence of the sum actually paid (invoice) and boarding pass. Electronic tickets will only be considered as acceptable on proof of payment (invoice) and on presentation of the boarding pass for the outward journey. Please keep in mind the travel rules of the ERASMUS PLUS Program. If you come by train or bus do not forget to buy a return ticket. Please copy your tickets before you leave your home.

If you come by car make sure to bring all toll invoices and at least one gas invoice purchased on the travel date or day earlier.

FOR THE REIMBURSEMENT YOU NEED:

- An invoice for the airplane tickets and flight ticket (with the name of the passenger and flight details);
- A receipt / invoice (showing that you have paid the money) – for train and bus tickets; gas and toll;
- All boarding passes.

We can allow for a maximum of 4 days of extra stay in Croatia to reimburse travel costs!





OTHER IMPORTANT INFORMATION

Weather: The average temperature in June is usually around 20 - 27 °C degrees, although it can be colder or warmer. Don't forget to check the weathercast before arrival!

Currency: Croatia is part of the Euro zone and our currency is Euro. In Croatia you can use your credit and debit cards (VISA, Maestro, MasterCard etc.) almost everywhere.

Emergency phone numbers in Croatia:

Emergency number for all purposes: 112 (you can call from any device, regardless the country your phone number comes from)

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See you soon in Croatia!

