EXPLORING WAYS TO TRANSFORM CONFLICTS

In this 5-day train-the-trainer you will experience highly interactive and participatory methods and gain access to the Trainer’s Handbook which provides a menu of activity options which will help you bringing your community, school or workplace closer together.

WELCOME TO ALL FORMS OF BELIEF AND NON-BELIEF

Educators, school teachers, human resource professionals, public authorities, community leaders and mediators who are looking for a way to transform differences from an obstacle to an opportunity.

When?
February 5 - 10th, 2012

Registration deadline:
December 15th, 2011

Mobility grants candidates under Grundtvig or Comenius programme should complete pre-registration form before September 1, 2011.

Where?
Venice, Italy

Working language
English

Price:
1350 € (VAT included)
Including training fees, materials, trainer’s handbook, all meals and accommodation.

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Methodology

In our increasingly diverse societies, there are some issues which seem particularly sensitive or difficult to address: namely, those related to gender, sexuality and sexual orientation. Religion and belief systems are perceived by many as a dividing line for reconciling differences on such issues, such as: the values, opinions, symbols and interpretations of the roles of women and men in society; positions on sexual and reproductive rights; conflicts between gay rights and religious rights.

This training programme seeks to facilitate a more productive discourse on these issues through a greater understanding of their complexities at different levels: self, interpersonal, community and society.

Aims

Designed in the spirit of anti-prejudice diversity education this 5-day train-the-trainer event will enable you to:

- Raise participants’ awareness of own identity re: religion/belief, gender and sexuality
- Explores ways to live with ambiguity
- Develop literacy and self-expression when addressing the intersection of religion/belief, gender and sexuality
- Clarify concepts and myths
- Highlight options to deal with issues: inside self, between people, within and between communities
- Better manage relationships with those who are different
- Foster an appreciation for equality of rights for all
- Develop skills and strategies to confront sexism, homophobic and religious discrimination

Advanced Training

This training is an advanced course intended for experienced trainers in the field of anti-discrimination and diversity

Pre-Requisite:
The Religious Diversity and Anti-Discrimination Training Programme (next course to be held in Madrid, December 4-9, 2011)

This training uses interactive and participatory methods and is an outgrowth of the Religious Diversity and Anti-Discrimination Training Programme which won the Gold Award for Lifelong Learning from the European Commission in 2008 and First Prize from the BMW Group Award for Intercultural Commitment in 2010. It is offered in the context of a European Grundtvig project: Belieforama – A Panoramic Approach to Issues of Religion and Belief. www.belieforama.net

Comments by participants:

“I found the ideas original because the materials like images of other encouraged a lot of communication between the participants...”

“I think the course does an excellent job stimulating discussions on mutual explorations of faith and personal experiences of discrimination and generating empathy...”

This event is organised in cooperation with the Venice Local Authority. City of Venice - Youth and Peace Policies Dept./LGBT Monitoring Center (Città di Venezia - Assessorato alle politiche giovanili/Osservatorio LGBT)