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S-POINT - Sports Lab on youth social development

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WHAT'S THE PROJECT ABOUT?

The S-POINT project focuses on leveraging sports as a powerful educational tool to address social exclusion and marginalization among young people. By enhancing the skills and capacities of youth workers from eight countries, the initiative promotes inclusivity and intercultural understanding within communities. Through engaging seminars and training courses, participants learn to implement innovative Education Through Sport methods, fostering resilience, critical thinking, and problem-solving abilities in young people. Ultimately, S-POINT aims to create a collaborative environment that empowers youth workers to inspire positive change, contributing to a more unified and inclusive Europe.

Welcome to the S-POINT project newsletter!

We are thrilled to introduce this innovative initiative focused on enhancing youth social development through the transformative power of sport. As part of the Erasmus+ program, S-POINT aims to build the capacity of 24 youth workers from eight countries, fostering intercultural understanding and collaboration.

Impact

The S-POINT project is designed to create a profound impact on youth workers, their organizations, and the young people they serve. By equipping youth leaders with practical tools and insights into physical activities, the project aims to enhance their capacity to educate and empower youth, particularly in rural and disadvantaged urban areas. Participants will experience improved competencies and a broader understanding of sport as an educational tool, leading to the development of essential soft skills among young people. Moreover, S-POINT fosters greater awareness and responsiveness to social, linguistic, and cultural diversity, creating more inclusive environments. Beyond individual growth, the project encourages participants to disseminate their learnings within their communities, thereby amplifying the impact on local organizations and enhancing opportunities for professional development. Through its strategic peer-to-peer approach, S-POINT aims to establish a lasting legacy that inspires a network of youth workers dedicated to fostering youth development and sustainable practices throughout Europe.

Target Groups

- Local and International Youth Organizations: Key collaborators with experience in promoting inclusion, bringing valuable perspectives to the project.
- Youth Participants (aged 18-30): Residents of project areas who engage in training sessions to develop as community youth workers.
- Youth from Local Communities: Participants encouraged to join workshops that focus on skill development and personal growth.
- Colleagues, Friends, and Families of Participants: Supportive network members who promote project objectives and foster community involvement.
- Young Workers and Youth Leaders Facing Barriers: Individuals motivated to overcome participation challenges and engage fully in project activities.
- Professional Staff, Youth Workers, and Trainers: Essential to the project, these participants gain new skills and promote inclusion and healthy living within their communities.
- Disadvantaged Young People (socially excluded, unemployed): Youth who benefit from training sessions that enhance skills, providing them with a positive outlook and greater opportunities for the future.

Project results

- Project Logo: An original logo was created to symbolize the S-POINT initiative, enhancing its identity and visibility within youth and partner organizations.
- Project Website: A dedicated website serving as a comprehensive source of project information, resources, and updates, encouraging interaction and collaboration among participants and stakeholders.
- Video Interviews: A series of video interviews with five participants per activity, showcasing their personal insights and experiences, shared across social media to engage a wider audience.
- Activity Summary Video: A 3-4-minute highlight reel capturing key moments and activities from the project, effectively promoting the initiative's impact on digital channels.
- Education Pack: An accessible collection of materials, including photos, visual aids, and official documentation, stored on Dropbox to ensure easy sharing with stakeholders and participants.
- Digital Tool Book: A resource compiling follow-up reports, best practices, and ideas for future Erasmus+ projects, designed to support youth workers in applying effective methods for community development.

