

NEWSLETTER 1



EMPOWERING YOUTH FOR EXCELLENCE IN SOCIAL ACTION (EYESA)

Why is EYESA project necessary



The EU suffers from a dramatic situation concerning unemployment, especially among young people, doubling unemployment rates for all ages. In addition, the ramping poverty and inequalities figures, social segregation, the migration crisis and the rise of xenophobia in Europe are causing a race to the bottom regarding the pan-European solidarity and volunteering schemes.

Between 92 and 94 million of Europeans, according to recent reports, are engaged in voluntary activities, standing for a 3% of the GDP in developed countries.

What are the objectives & aims of the project



The general objective of the EYESA project is to provide capacity building opportunities to young volunteers to improve their social performance and undertake entrepreneurial activities, supporting new business creation in the social protection field.

Another key aspect of the EYESA project is to better identify and manage the availability of required skills, competences and qualifications for our young volunteers, and to help preventing skills gaps and mismatches that could undermine the EU business competitiveness.

EYESA project aims to improve the performance of young volunteers' social action whilst providing them the necessary skills to:

- 1) help them improve the performance of their social action.
- 2) improve their employability.

What are the main topics addressed



EYESA foresees training in basics, social, civic, cross-cutting and digital skills, as the ability to learn and initiative-taking. Furthermore, the project will provide specific professional abilities to take into consideration concrete needs of main vulnerable target groups (economic migrants and refugees, Roma people, homelessness, hospitalized children, elderly, disable people, poor families, among others).

Intellectual outputs



The project intellectual outputs consist in the design and development of a Self-evaluation tool, Curriculum, Workshops on skills and competences (implementation of the Curriculum), a Collaborative portal of young European volunteers, which will be developed in order to better identify and manage the availability of required skills, competences and qualifications for our young volunteers, and to help preventing skills gaps and mismatches that could undermine the EU business competitiveness.

Who is this project aimed to



Main target are the young people already volunteering, interested in volunteering and youngsters who are not currently participating in social activities. Vulnerable groups will also be invited to participate, as well as other external agents active in the field of social protection and integration, self-employment associations and local business,

education and training organizations, local, regional, national and EU authorities and stakeholders
- a pan-European volunteer's network.

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