



Youth Employability Competences

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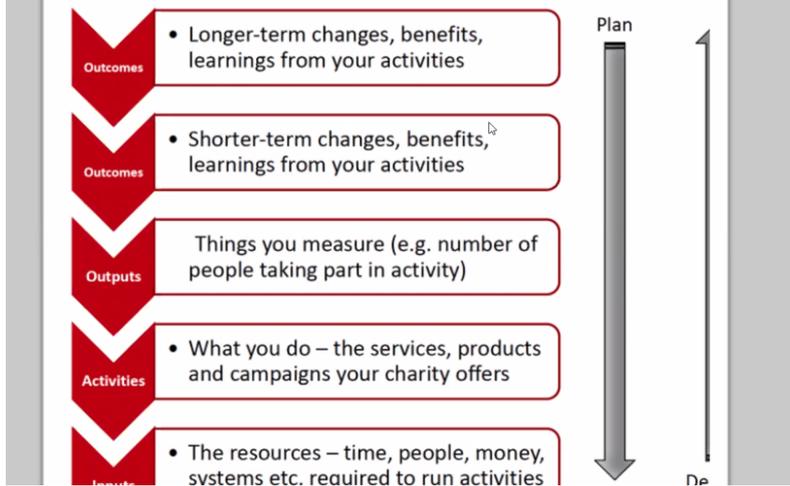
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Transnational Project Meeting in Kraków

On 15th -16th April Youth Development and Integration Association STRIM hosted a Transnational Project Meeting of all partners in Krakow, Poland. Due to current extraordinary circumstances, the meeting took place in an unprecedented form – we were all joining with our Polish partners on-line. During the meeting we discussed the progress of the project and challenges that all partners are facing. We also planned next steps regarding Intellectual Outputs of the project, especially the forth one: Competency validation guide. And even though we did not manage to meet in person, we still enjoyed a short guided journey around Poland and Krakow and had a chance to participate in a quiz about our hosting country. Who knew that there were actually **dragons** and **mermaids** living in Poland?! You can always learn more [here](#).

What's in a Theory of Change



News from the project:

Recently, our Advisory Boards of Youth and Employers have been exploring the Theory of Change in the context of our project and discussing the impact of COVID-19 on Youth Employability.

In February, youth workers and trainers from Poland, Ireland, Finland and Italy took part in our one week training course “Train the Trainer: A passport for employment”, during which they explored our training modules: **Communication, Motivation, Autonomy, Expectations vs. Reality, Professionalism, Addressing Workplace Discrimination, Wellness and Job Seeking**. The workshops were organised by PartecipArte, a theatre of the oppressed company promoting transformative arts to trigger social and political change. Participants have learnt how to work with young people on burning topics these days regarding the labour market and employability competences. Instead of sunny Rome we met again on ZOOM.

Currently, youth workers and trainers who took part in the training course “Train the Trainer: A passport for employment” are piloting the project modules with young people and collecting their feedback on methods used in our modules. Some of the sessions are happening online but some of them finally can happen face to face! Soon our Training Modules will be finalized and we will share it with you. Check our [website](#) and like us on [facebook](#).

"IT WAS A GREAT OPPORTUNITY TO SHARE EXPERIENCE WITH OTHER PARTICIPANTS AND TO GET TO KNOW SOME NEW TOOLS AND TECHNIQUES TO WORK WITH YOUNG PEOPLE"
DARIA, TOT PARTICIPANT FROM POLAND



WHAT'S NEXT?

During the upcoming months we will focus on piloting our employability competences modules with young people. We will also work on the forth Intellectual Output of the project: Competency validation guide. It will be a tool for young people and youth workers that will help them navigate between different validation systems dedicated to soft skills and competences – such as Youth Employability Competences. This Guide is an answer to the need of young people developing and validating their skills who often stumble on a major barrier in the form of lack of opportunities to showcase these skills in an accredited setting. We hope our Guide will be helpful for you and we can't wait to share it with you!

