



Youth Employability Competences

Advisory Youth Board Member Interview

Background

Julita is a member of the Youth advisory board organised by Strim in Krakov, Poland. She is in her early 20s and aspires to be an actress / performer.

Interview

1. What have you learned about yourself from participating in the Advisory Group? What did you like best about the module that you assisted to develop?

Participation in the project only confirmed for me that it was a good decision to participate in it. :) What I liked the most about the module was the practical applications and examples.

2. What motivates you to continue to be an active participant on the advisory panel? What do you see as the value in being involved in the advisory panel?

I am interested in becoming a leader in the future and conducting training on the developed modules and their implementation. Moreover, I am interested in the subject of the project and I look forward to comparing the final conclusions with other representatives from other countries. I feel motivated because I know that my opinion counts and is taken into account. I feel respected and taken seriously. I am glad that thanks to my participation in the Advisory Group I have met interesting people and had the opportunity to work with them and take part in training.

3. What barriers or challenges if any did you experience by being involved in the Advisory Group and how were these overcome?

We did not encounter any significant barriers, at most, during the development of the module, we could discuss and share our thoughts and insights with each other and it was a very motivating challenge. The very work on the module was an interesting challenge to collect all our thoughts into one whole.

The only barriers that made work difficult were too rare meetings, but as a group we decided to meet more often so that our work would not disappear and everyone could still feel an active part of the project. Sometimes it was difficult to work when during the project some people disappeared without a word and there was no such continuity of work and group. We then had to recruit new members and introduce them to the project anew. Sometimes working on a module was quite tedious because of how it was developed, but we dealt with it by simplifying it and discussing it together.

4. Can you tell us how you have applied the learning from any of the modules developed in terms of your own -

Motivation- I can more consciously and openly express what motivates me- continuous development and new challenges are important to me

Job Seeking- when looking for a job, I know what is important to me: a good atmosphere at work, good earnings, a clear career and development path, work life-balance and people who surround me

Career Choices- I can more consciously and openly express what goals I want to achieve, which way to go and how to develop my career, what do I expect from the employer and working conditions

Skills Development - I can more consciously and openly express what goals I want to achieve, which way to go and how to develop myself

Life Choices- I can more consciously and openly express my needs and desires



Personal Development- I can more consciously and openly express what goals I want to achieve, which way to go and how to develop myself

5. What do you hope to achieve by continuing to participate in the Advisory Group?

As I wrote before, I would like to become a leader in the future and conduct training on modules and continue to meet new people and exchange my thoughts and opinions with them.