

Massive open online course

Connect & Rise! - Forming National Youth Workers Alliances



Join us for **Connect & Rise!** free online course, developed on the basis of **142 years** of collective experience of **9 National Youth Workers Associations** from Malta, Serbia, Italy, North Macedonia, Czech Republic, Greece, Portugal, Estonia and Netherlands.

A unique opportunity to explore and learn from **different** starting positions and country realities, **diverse** structures, types and profiles of members, goals and scope of work.

The main aim of the course is to motivate initiation and provide support for the establishment of national structures in countries where they don't exist.

How? Facilitated course with interactive content. Showcasing examples of 9 associations to inspire discussions regarding approaches and steps for participants countries.

Who is the course for? Motivated youth workers and groups of youth workers, coming from Council of Europe and European union countries.

Where? HOP platform

Language: English

Overview of units and timeframe:

Unit No	Unit title	Content elements	Timeframe
Unit 1	Opening Networking	Setting the scene, getting to know each other, national and European networking among participants	29. September –5. October
Unit 2	Prior context	Situations in the 9 countries regarding the youth work prior to the establishment of the association, main reasons for establishing the association.	6-12 October
Unit 3	Initial steps	Who initiated the establishment of the associations, what challenges have the association addressed, supporters, opponents.	13-19 October
Unit 4	Structures	Legal status, existing structures, changes over time, members of the associations	20-26 October

Unit 5	Focusing content	Main goal, mission, vision and values, programs of the associations	27 October – 2 November
Unit 6	Inspirational moments	Main accomplishments, main benefit of having an association	3-9 November
Unit 7	Evaluation and closing	Creation of Action plans Evaluation of the course	10-16 November

Structure of the course:

- ✓ Course opens on the 29th of September 2025
- ✓ Each week new unit opens on the HOP platform.
- ✓ Each unit opens on Monday and closes on Sunday.
- ✓ Expected time to dedicate per unit is **up to 3 hours per week for self-paced learning** (at the time that suits you the best).
- ✓ Two joint online meetings are planned with all participants: **September 29th** and **November 14th**. Both **from 12 to 1.30 pm CET**.

Recognition of learning: Learning badges are provided for the completion of each unit.

Registration: All interested participants should fill out registration form by **23 of September 2025**.

Selected participants will be notified on September 24th and invited to join the course.

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