

GREEN SPACE TRAINING FOR YOUTH WORKERS

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GREEN SPACE TRÉNING FOR YOUTH WORKERS: FACILITATOR OF GREEN INITIATIVES

August 28, 2024

The aim of this training was to **present the methodology** developed by the project partners on the **creation and management of the green spaces** and initiatives, which was specifically adapted for **youth workers**.



The training combined theory presented through a manual and a detailed presentation developed by the project partners with **practical application**. As part of the practical activity, **participants brainstormed ideas for green initiatives** relevant to youth, analysed them **using a SWOT analysis** and shared their **experiences** before presenting to the group.

The event welcomed 19 participants from various Slovak cities including Bratislava, Senec and Pezinok. Among the participants were educators and professionals working in youth-related fields, such as:

- secondary schools, gymnasiums,
- municipal organizations,
- training centers and career counselling companies.



Participants found the **training** inspiring and stressed the importance of reconnecting with nature. Many felt motivated to implement **green initiatives**, incorporating the materials into activities with youth. The training also offered valuable **networking opportunities** and resources to start green projects.

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BY INNOVATION OFFICE, LITHUANIA



GREEN SPACE TRAINING FOR YOUTH WORKERS: FACILITATOR OF GREEN INITIATIVES

July 10th, 2024

This training aimed to **introduce a methodology** developed by project partners on **creating and managing green spaces** and initiatives, specifically tailored for youth workers.



The training combined **theory**, presented through a **handbook** and a detailed presentation developed by project partners, with **practical application**. In the hands-on activity, participants **brainstormed** green space or initiative ideas relevant to their youth, analyzed them using a **SWOT framework**, and shared their findings with all participants.

The event welcomed **22 participants** from various Lithuanian cities, including Vilnius, Alytus, and Kaunas. Attendees included **adult educators and professionals** working in youth-related fields, such as:

- Colleges and gymnasiums
- Schools and social shelter houses
- Training centers and career consulting companies



Participants found the training **inspiring**, emphasizing the importance of **reconnecting with nature**. Many felt motivated to implement green initiatives, **integrate the materials into activities with youth**. The training also offered valuable **networking** opportunities and resources for launching green projects.

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September 10th & 13th, 2024

During two training sessions the materials created during the development of the Green Space Project, both the Handbook and the Guidelines, were presented and used, being taken from a **pedagogical** and **practical** perspective.



Participants understood the needs and implications of **organising a green activity**, and worked on the idea of how to implement **different types** of green activity in their environment, and **how to convey** the need for it and to engage and motivate the young people involved in it, as well as other citizens in the environment.

In the training we worked collectively on **what a Green Initiative is**, and the **positive values it entails**, as well as on the necessary concepts and tools such as **planning** and **design**, dissemination and empowerment of participation, and the **evaluation** of the work carried out; all of this from a practical and accessible perspective for all participants.



The 8 participants, youth workers and facilitators in local settings, did the following a collective reflection on the **needs to implement green initiatives in the local environment**, discussing possibilities and opportunities where this could be done, **how** it could be done, or **needs** that would need to be covered in this change and that have not been properly addressed so far.

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