



# TRAIN4COORDINATORS

Online training for youth volunteering coordinators on the validation of competencies, skills and qualifications

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## About the project

TRAIN4COORDINATORS is an ERASMUS+ project that aims to improve and strengthen the competencies, skills and qualifications of young volunteer coordinators.

From December 2021 until November 2023, seven partners from Spain, Austria, Turkey, Slovenia, Cyprus and Greece are working together to meet the following specific objectives:

- Have a better understanding of **youth workers and young volunteers' training needs** and the improvement of their skills.
- Learn from **other EU good practices** on youth volunteering.
- **Raise awareness** about volunteer activities.
- **Increase recognition** of youth work.



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# Transnational Project Meetings (TPM)



On 5th January 2022 project partners met for the first time online and share the draft versions of some project management documents. Partners also made decisions about the project logo and the website, and started working on R1 with the presentation of the volunteering benchmark methodology. The 2nd TPM took place on 26th September with the aim to monitor project progress and the Volunteer training management toolkit (R2).

## First project results: Volunteering benchmark

284 young volunteers and 243 youth workers participated in the two surveys about individual needs, training needs and gaps in recognition and assessment of competencies.

Young volunteers showed great interest in volunteering activities. They considered crucial the use of digital technologies in training activities.

Ideal volunteering skills to be considered in the future project training activities would include: individual and social responsibility, teamworking, communication, cultural adaptability, openness to innovation, etc

Most youth workers have higher education degrees and more than 3-year experience. Their services are mainly related to social services, education, youth activities and culture & recreation. Time management seemed to be a great concern, along with public awareness about volunteering in the society and methodology for recognising skills and competencies. Most interesting areas for training are: social media campaigns, public communication, digital design & creativity, positive public relations towards disadvantaged people, and conflict resolution.

Both young volunteers and youth workers stated that official recognition after training would be highly appreciated.

Project partners also collected more than 70 youth volunteering good examples with relevant methodologies, pedagogical approaches, and reached goals around Europe.



# Advisory boards



Project partners cooperate with key stakeholders from each partner country. These associated partners are actively participating in the promotion, implementation, and evaluation of the project core activities. They also provide feedback and recommendations about the project progress and results according to their expertise.

## The Train4Coordinators partnership



## Want to know more?

