

# **FAIRY TALE GENDEROLOGY**

**TRAINING COURSE FOR YOUTH WORKERS**

**SOKOBANJA, SERBIA**

**8<sup>TH</sup> TO 18<sup>TH</sup> OF APRIL 2019**

# ***APPLICANT ORGANISATION***

**Urban Development Center** is non-governmental and non-profit association, established with an aim to create and implement initiatives in the area of urban development and environmental preservation.

**The main objective** of the Centre is promotion of the past, present and future, urban living and development in Serbia and promotion of culture and arts within the urban areas. The Center devotes special attention to the preservation and use of public spaces, with a particular focus on cultural heritage, as a part of urban ecology. The Center develops innovative solutions in presentation and communication of cultural heritage with the aim of offering a novel and immersive cultural experience. Heritage presentations and communication tools developed by the Center in various media have been used by multiple education institutions as learning modalities in history and other subjects related to culture domain.



## ***SUMMARY OF THE PROJECT***

This Project should contribute to the **better position of women** in European societies as well to **increase awareness on gender and human rights issues** among young people.

***Fairy tales*** will be used as a patterns for young people to indentify and tackle **gender stereotypes**. Youth workers will develop skills and competences by using gender stereotypes in fairy tales as a start point for reconstruction of new story with application of art and multimedia as tools for education in the field of gender equality and human rights. Furthermore, it will foster cooperation and socializing among youngsters, including those with fewer opportunities.

Introducing a new methodology of gender reading – **Genderology**, combined with a new concept of reconstruction of fairy tales, we want to make a progress toward narrowing the gaps between men and women in local, regional and European community.

# ***THE OBJECTIVES OF THIS TRAINING COURSE***

Participants will be able to:

- exchange realities, practices and share experiences among participants, related to gender policy and issues;
- actively participate in development of innovative methods and technique in work with youth for gender oriented reading, including those with fewer opportunities;
- respond to problems in gender reading with use of Fairy tale Genderology;
- work on practical work in testing methodology;
- discuss how to transfer Genderology at local level;
- express analytical and critical thinking on the topic of EU citizenship;
- critically evaluate methods in learning and explore interculturality in European activities;
- work individually and in teams;
- understand and formulate problems and solve these problems using the innovation technique;

# ***PARTICIPANTS***

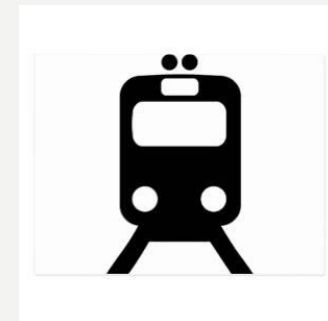
Each partner will delegate **3 participants (YW)** who have motivation to develop innovative technique in youth work for gender oriented reading, ability to actively attend full duration of the course and communicate in English, the working language, including those with fewer opportunities.

Before the training each national team will have a **preparatory work**, on line research about gender stereotypes with prepared questions about gender equality in their national fairy tales and task related to making up to 10 photos about gender stereotypes in their surroundings. They have task to find and bring a chosen international fairy tale Cinderella, and illustrated and published in their own country.

The chosen international fairy tale on which we plan to work on is Cinderella story because it covers all these stereotypes and is an old fairy tale with a European tradition.

## ***TRAVEL PROCEDURE***

- Each participant have to send by mail scanned passport / id document (first page with personal info). In addition to this, they will fill in the application form and send it back.
- Urban Development Center (hosting organization) will manage and purchase tickets for all participants. For further information about your travel to Sokobanja we will contact you via email.



# ***ABOUT THE VENUE***



One of the most important tourist - health centers and the first ecological municipality in Serbia, the **Sokobanja**, is located 234km southeast of Belgrade, and 60km northeast of Nis at about 400m above sea level. Sokobanja, as the oldest, and by many the most beautiful Serbian spa is without a doubt the right reserve of authentic national creativity, content and original way of life in the natural environment, without any industry, with high quality thermal and air potentials.



In the outstanding natural environment where wooded mountain Ozren and always clear river Moravica, meets lies the **Hotel " Moravica "** with 3 stars.

Rise near the river, where the hotel is located, its dominant position in relation to the environment, which offers guests an exceptional experience of the wealth of nature in this region. Hotel is located 2km from Sokobanja, near beach and swimming pool "Banjica". An integral part of the hotel complex and "trim trail" and walk, which allows guests complete relaxation with recreation.

The Hotel is equipped with working room for the sessions of activities during the training and there is WIFI free for all its Guests.

Participants will be accommodated in triple and double rooms, divided by gender and mixed by country.

Here is a link to the Hotel “Moravica” website: <http://hotelmoravica.weebly.com/>

There will be included three meals, breakfast, lunch and dinner. All the meals will respect the Serbian tradition. There will be provided also two coffee breaks, one in the morning session and one in the afternoon.

During the training course, participants will have one day for field visit and one day for walking tour in Sokobanja surroundings. Both activities will be arranged on the spot.



# ***HOW TO GET THERE***

Travel to Serbia we suggest always to travel to Belgrade or Niš airports or central Bus station and then reach Sokobanja by bus.

- The bus from **BELGRADE to SOKOBANJA** passes through the towns of ĆUPRIJA, VELIKA PLANA, ALEKSINAC (depending on the departure). There are several departures on this route during the day. The first departure starts at **08:45**, while the last one can be reached at **13:45**. If you come to Belgrade after the last bus departure, you can take bus to Niš and than catch the line from Nis to Sokobanja. The length of the road is about **241 km**. The average duration of the trips in a row is **03 hours and 45 minutes**. Belgrade to Sokobanja bus services operated by Nis Ekspres and Banbus depart from Belgrade station.

Luggage is usually paid on all departures depending on the carrier.

- The bus from **NIŠ to SOKOBANJA** takes **1 hours and 20 minutes** including transfers and departs five times a day. The length of the route is about 55 km. Niš to Sokobanja bus services, operated by Nis Ekspres, depart from Niš station. The first departure stars at **9:00**, the last at **19:00**.

# ***WHAT TO BRING***

April in Serbia is a spring present month; average temperatures are from 8c to 17c.

We suggest to bring what you spring clothes but couple of warm pieces just in case.

Since, the Hotel is situated in really beautiful ambience and location, surrounding area has many picnic sites, forest and paths perfect for walks.

Also here's a small list of other things you should bring with you:

- Flip flops
- Sport shoes
- Personal care products
- In Sokobanja, there is a famous Turkish bath Amam, so if you might want to stop by, we kindly suggest to take your swimsuit.
- By the agenda is also planned a Intercultural night and we suggest to bring some of your typical food and drinks, your country flag and to prepare some games, dances or a small presentation to present your country
- Don't forget to bring with you any medicine you might need even if we hope it will not be necessary.



# ***WORKING METHODS***

All the training will be done through the methods of non-formal education. The activities will be for example brainstorming, plenary discussions, simulations, role plays, team building, energizers, ice breakers and many others. We remind you that Non-Formal education is voluntary, non-hierarchical and all its methods are based on the concept of learning by doing.

## ***Communication & Dissemination***

This part is very important because will help understand our work and results, those who haven't attended the project in person. Each participant and partner will have to help on dissemination of results and follow the visual identity rules for the overall project. In order to share pictures, video and other materials please, while sharing them on social media, use the following hashtag:

***#Fairytailgenderology***

### ***References***

Facebook group: Fairytailgenderology

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