Call for trainers for the Training Course

ESSC – European School Students Cooperation

Gdansk, Poland, from the 3rd to the 9th of March 2018

Deadline for applications: 11th of February 2018

Link to the online application form: https://goo.gl/forms/WalQsaTuDHarAp8F2

What is “ESSC” about?

This project involves the participation of school student unions working on education-related issues at local/national level but with not much experience on European level. Therefore, the aim is to promote a better knowledge and understanding of European-level affairs in the field of education, to foster active participation of youth in the decision-making processes that take place at European level. In addition, as OBESSU provides national school student unions with assistance, support and cooperation, the project aims also at supporting the development of school student unions in Poland and Hungary, due to the lack of school student structures there.

This project will foster active citizenship of school students, encouraging them to consider their role as European citizens, motivate them to be active at national and European level. It will be an opportunity to acquire skills and competences to strengthen their role, and organisational capacity building. The activity programme will deepen their expertise on topics in the fields of youth and education at European level as well as provide them with examples of competences for successful projects. The sessions with guests from the main European institutions, will bring Europe closer to the attendees, and we will make this an opportunity for them to gain awareness of their possibilities to have a proactive role both at national and European level.

Aim and Objectives:

The main objective of the ESSC project is support the development of school student structures in the V4 region, by providing new competences focused on how to promote active participation of young people at European level, thus enhancing their sense of belonging to the European union and their European active citizenship.

The specific objectives of the ESSC project are:

- To develop EU awareness, Democracy and EU Citizenship, in school students;
- To develop the policy level/dialogue and decision-making in school student organisations;
- To share best practices of the V4 region, to develop youth participation and youth work in school students.

The call:

OBESSU is looking for 3 trainers:

1. One trainer coming from the OBESSU Pool of Trainers, with a specific role of “coordinator”. This specific role will include the following responsibilities:
   a. Be sure that the team respects the timetable of the preparation tasks;
   b. Be sure that the team respects the agreed implementation of the activity programme;
   c. Ensure a coherent flow of the activity programme.
2. Another trainer from OBESSU Pool of Trainers (with specific focus on providing methods for training sessions).
3. One trainer coming from OBESSU Member, Candidate and Affiliate Organisations (ideally someone who has been an International Officer for an OBESSU Member/Candidate/Affiliate Organisation and can provide expertise from this experience).
This team, together with 1 OBESSU Board member and 1 member of the OBESSU Secretariat, will be responsible for the design, implementation and evaluation of the activity programme of the Training Course.

The selected team members will be expected to:

- Be in charge of designing the activity programme of the event, making it dynamic, interesting and useful to OBESSU’s Member, Affiliate and Candidate Organisations;
- Be ready to read several background documents;
- Be generally available 2 weeks before the event to communicate with the team and work independently on the content of the event;
- Facilitate some sessions of the activity programme;
- Evaluate the results of the event;
- Be available for the whole duration of the event.

Costs for travel, board and lodging during the event will be covered by the Visegrad Fund.

The dates:

Selected trainers are expected to fully attend the event, that will take place in Gdansk (Poland), from the 3rd to the 9th of March 2018 (travel days included). Selected trainers are expected to arrive one day before, on the 2nd of March, for a preparatory meeting.

Selection criteria:

- For trainers applying as member of OBESSU Pool of Trainers, OBESSU will consider the two required profiles.
- For trainers applying as MOs member, OBESSU will give the preference to International Officers or former IO.
- In the selection process a gender and geographical balance will be taken into consideration.

OBESSU encourages students of all genders, ethnic backgrounds and other identities to apply in order to ensure a good representation of diversity.

How to apply?

In order to apply, you have to fill the online application form: [https://goo.gl/forms/WalQsaTuDHarAp8F2](https://goo.gl/forms/WalQsaTuDHarAp8F2)

If you apply as trainer from Member, Candidate and Affiliate Organisations, you have also to send to OBESSU a nomination letter from your home organisation by email to secretariat@obessu.org

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The final selection will be communicated by the 14th of February 2018

If you have any questions, queries or would like some more information, please contact the OBESSU Secretariat at secretariat@obessu.org. More information on the project on the dedicated page: [https://www.obessu.org/what-we-do/capacity-building/essc/](https://www.obessu.org/what-we-do/capacity-building/essc/)

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