



Project title:
CODE – Competence Opportunities for Digital Employment

Country	Project partner status	Institution	Type of institution	City
Bulgaria	Lead partner	Human Resources Development Agency	Public	Ruse
Bulgaria	Beneficiary partner	Solutions Brief Therapy and Counselling Centre Rousse	NGO	Ruse
Estonia	Beneficiary partner	Tartu Art School	Public	Tartu
Greece	Beneficiary partner	Euroteam Vocational Training Center S.A	Private	Patras
Italy	Beneficiary partner	Social Cooperative ALTERNATA silos	NGO	Guidonia Montecelio
Italy	Beneficiary partner	Municipality of Cursi	Public	Cursi
Latvia	Beneficiary partner	Palidzesim.lv	NGO	Riga
Romania	Beneficiary partner	Save the Children Association Iasi	NGO	Iasi

ABOUT THE PROJECT

WHY: Poor young people without financial support have difficulties with continuing their education or enrol for out-of-school courses due to financial reasons. Worst off are orphans that are out of social protection facilities at the age of 18, children of working poor people that are financially depend on their parents, young people in rural areas with limited access to specialised education and training, young single parents, young people with physical health problems, and some minority groups. There is a need to find a way to ensure that all young people have equal access to education and jobs.

WHAT: The project partners will develop and run an innovative training programme for specialised digital competences such as digital design and skills, graphics, 3D animation, game design etc. for young people that otherwise cannot afford to obtain a hi-tech education due to poverty. The programme will be created together with business supporting organisations with focus on the creative industries,

PROJECT DURATION (months):
36

GRANT AMOUNT:
€ 2 MILLION

AREAS OF SUPPORT:
INNOVATION AND EXPLORATION, TRANSFER OF KNOW-HOW

organisations for psychological and/or social help and youth organisations.

Target groups:

- Vulnerable young people at poverty risk, orphans that are out of social protection, and children of working poor people
- Young people in rural areas, young single parents, and young graduates at poverty risk
- Poor young people belonging to minority groups

ABOUT THE FUND

The €60 million EEA and Norway Grants Fund for Youth Employment supports transnational project initiatives that promote sustainable and quality youth employment in Europe. The focus on transnational cooperation reflects the view that unemployment among youth is a common European challenge and common European solutions should therefore be explored.

The fund seeks to complement existing EU funding on youth employment initiatives, e.g. the long-term unemployed in the age group 25-29.

The selected projects aim to:

- Make it easier for 25 000 young people to find a job
- Create 3500 jobs in NGOs and social enterprises
- Help 1800 young people start up their own business

The 27 selected projects involve partners from all the 15 beneficiary countries of the EEA and Norway Grants as well as Ireland, Italy and Spain – all countries with high youth unemployment. The projects also include expertise partners from the donor countries Iceland and Norway as well as two international organisations and other EU member states.

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ABOUT THE EEA AND NORWAY GRANTS

The EEA and Norway Grants represent the contribution of Iceland, Liechtenstein and Norway to reducing economic and social disparities and to strengthening bilateral relations with 15 EU countries in Central and Southern Europe and the Baltics. For the period 2014-2021, the total contribution is €2.8 billion (EEA Grants €1.5 billion and Norway Grants €1.3 billion).

Under the EEA Agreement, Iceland, Liechtenstein and Norway are part of the European internal market. The EEA Agreement sets out the common goal of working together to reduce social and economic disparities.

