

Invitation To Participate

Peace Building, Peace Making & Reconciliation

Invitation to the Kick Off Workshop

Interdiac is developing a new programme on peace building, peace-making and reconciliation and to start the programme, a kick off workshop is planned for autumn 2019. Below you will find more details of the programme and the workshop and we would like to ask for your involvement in building the participation in the workshop and later in the delivery of the programme. The Kick off Workshop will be organised in the later autumn in one of the partner interdiac countries.

Why the new programme?

Across the region there are many conflicts which are in the open and which are destructive of life and of whole communities. There are other frozen or hidden conflicts which could become a dangerous threat in the future. In addition, there is a growing threat to social peace due to the rise of adversarial movements, for example opposed to diversity and migration.

Representatives of the interdiac partner organisations named this issue as one of the most important to be addressed. We aim to create a programme relevant to the context, implying the interdiac values base and practice related learning.

The expertise of interdiac related people on the spot, in the context of their respective working environments, is considered to be crucial for the development of a participatory working process for the upcoming 3 years.

Short term aim

- Analyse and reflect on issues of peace, reconciliation and mediation in the region with interdiac related people.
- The process of reflection will focus on the specific features of working processes related to the diversity of conflicts identified by the participants. This will form the basis of the consequent learning programme.
- Develop a new Learning Programme with the representatives of the partner organisations of interdiac, to address the identified issues.

Long term aim

- Offer a new Learning Programme on Peace Building, Peace Making & Reconciliation as a key contribution of interdiac and a core element of our medium-term strategy.

Who is invited to join the process?

- Diaconal and Social workers and specialist practitioners with relevant knowledge and skills on working with the individuals and communities from the region.
- Pedagogical specialists experienced in the development of process and phenomenon-based learning.
- Practitioners and academics with relevant knowledge and skills who are committed to the development of this innovative learning programme and who are also open for joint learning with other colleagues from the region.

What will the Kick Off Workshop achieve?

We hope that the workshop will launch the platform:

- Identifying the themes for the Learning Programme in terms of the phenomena which should be addressed.
- Developing the ideas for a practice based and contextually rooted learning programme.
- Identifying partners who are motivated to develop the programme further and those who may be resource holders. The roles of all involved will be clarified in accordance with the interdiac resource building strategy.
- Creating the plan for the development of the Learning programme and its implementation. The plan should also be related to the development of interdiac as a learning community and to the development of the interdiac satellites.

Applications

If you wish to attend the Workshop, please write a short motivation letter covering the questions:

- Why do you want to be engaged in developing the Learning programme? (max 15 sentences)
- What would you like to contribute to the Learning programme (knowledge, skills, experience etc)? (max 15 sentences)

Your motivation letters are expected by the 28th June 2019 at e-mail address office@interdiac.eu.

The chosen candidates will be invited to the Workshop on the 15th July 2019.

