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Evaluation letter

by the partner organisation Umbrella, Tbilisi, Georgia the project *CREating with ACt and arTs a safe envIronment in Our ceNters CREACTION*

CREating with ACt and arTs a safe envIronment in Our ceNters CREACTION was implemented in 2023 and consists of one professional development activity (PDA), held in Cyprus which lasted for eight days. I want to assume that it was one of the useful projects that Umbrella took part in as a partner.

The project had non-formal and formal educational methodologies that allowed participants to be involved and heard via various interactive activities full of group work, practical tasks, digital tools, and self-reflection. Participants developed the competencies that will help them improve their youth work. Enhancing competencies to address bullying, empathy towards the victims of bullying and tools for campaigns are much-needed techniques for youth workers. Cultural exchange, excursions and free and funny evenings were yet another exciting part of the project worth mentioning; during these activities, participants developed cultural competencies and created friendly and professional ties within an informal environment.

The Georgian team had four participants in the PDA who enjoyed the project very much; in their opinion, this was a life-changing project that would help them rethink many details in their work and life in general. Once Georgian participants returned home from the training course, participants implemented a follow-up activity in their community. They shared their experience and gained competencies with the youngsters, which is yet another added value for us as a partner organisation.

All in all, these kinds of projects are helpful for the professional growth of the youth workers and their personal and social development; learning, travelling and enjoying the time spent abroad with colleagues is the best that life can offer them.

Sincerely,

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