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# THE MORE AWARE

the closer to the labour market



## CONTEXT

The economic and social crisis in Europe has led to alarming rates of unemployment, especially for young people. Unemployment rates are particularly high in most EU countries while youth unemployment rates are generally much higher, even double compared with other age groups. In countries such as Greece, Italy and others, the youth unemployment rates are approaching or have exceeded 50% creating serious concern. The youth unemployment has profound effects on a personal and social level.

## THE PROJECT

**The more aware – the closer to the labour market** is a youth exchange program under the Erasmus+ KA1. The main aim of this project is to contribute to enhancing the employability of young people in Europe. The exchange will take place over 8 days in Athens, Greece. The participants will come from Hungary, Estonia, Bulgaria, Italy, Slovakia, Slovenia, Romania, Turkey, Poland, Croatia, Spain, Lithuania and Greece.

The topics of the project aim are

- Creating a reflection on the high unemployment of young people and highlighting the importance of the problem.
- Raising young people's awareness on the issue of unemployment and empowering them to put pressure for further measures.
- Development of young people's skills so that they can "present" themselves effectively in the labor market.
- Informing young people of the benefits of non-formal learning and volunteering.
- Facilitating the exchange of views between young people from different countries, promoting mutual understanding and cooperation.

The topics of the project will be explored through non-formal learning, peer learning, active involvement of the participants and equal cooperation between the partners. All activities have an interactive character, promote experiential learning, require the active participation of young people and enhance their creativity.

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# ERASMUS +

Erasmus+ is the European Union programme for education, training, youth and sport and it runs for seven years, from 2014 to 2020. Erasmus+ aims to modernize education, training and youth work across Europe. It is open to education, training, youth and sport organizations across all sectors of lifelong learning, including school education, further and higher education, adult education and the youth sector. It offers exciting opportunities for young people to then study, work, volunteer, teach and train abroad in Europe.

Erasmus + offers:

- Opportunities to study, train, gain work experience and volunteer abroad;
- Education, training and youth sector staff to teach or learn abroad;
- The development of digital education and the use of ICTs;
- Language learning;
- Recognition of skills, including those learned outside the formal educational system;
- Strategic Partnerships among educational institutions and youth organizations with peers in other countries in both their own sector and other sectors, in order to foster quality improvements and innovation;
- Knowledge Alliances and Sector Skills Alliances, to address skills gaps and foster entrepreneurship by improving curricula and qualifications through cooperation between the worlds of work and education;
- A loan guarantee facility for master's degree students to finance their studies in another country;
- Teaching and research on European integration;
- Exchanges, cooperation and capacity building in higher education and the youth sector worldwide;
- Initiatives to foster innovation in pedagogy and progressive policy reform at national level through Prospective Initiatives;
- Good Governance in sport an initiative against match-fixing, doping, violence, racism and intolerance, particularly in grassroots sports.

