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SUSTAINABLE NETWORK OF CITIES AND REGIONS TACKLING YOUTH UNEMPLOYMENT

Project partners:



East Sweden Region (Sweden)

Reggio Emilia Province (Italy)

Daugavpils Rural Municipal Council (Latvia)

Linz Municipality (Austria)

Albacete Province (Spain)

Diputaciòn A Coruña (Spain)

Buje Municipality (Croatia)

Enzkreis Province (Germany)

The project

The economic crisis is having an exceptionally severe impact on young people: the EU youth unemployment rate stood at 23.6 % in January 2013, more than twice as high as the adult rate, and no signs of improvement are in sight. This poses a serious threat to social cohesion in the EU and risks having a long-term negative impact on economic potential and competitiveness.

The EmploYouth project will contribute to the EU 2020 targets by creating a sustainable and transnational network of cities and regions involved in tackling youth unemployment. This will allow project partners to enrich with new contacts, to increase their awareness and provide ideas to tackle youth unemployment.

Good practices at a local level will be the starting point, to find solutions to the challenge given from the European context.



"We have to address youth unemployment as an urgent issue... we have to make it clear that we are in this together and it is only together that we will overcome the crisis."

José Manuel Barroso
President of the European Commission

Main outputs

- to develop a European sense of identity and give participants the chance to ponder on the topic of youth employment, training and inclusion;
- to increase the knowledge about EU policies and initiatives tackling youth unemployment and their implementation at a local level;
- to build a more interactive and responsible Europe through the world of associations and other actors of the third sector;
- to identify mutual areas of interest as a basis for future projects within the network.

Events

- **March 2013**, Pforzheim (Germany) - Volunteering initiatives, 2nd labour market, disadvantaged groups;
- **June 2013**, Daugavpils (Latvia) - Cooperation models, guidance, solutions to tackle rural challenges;
- **October 2013**, Reggio Emilia (Italy) - The role of social economy, training and guidance methods;
- **February 2014**, Albacete (Spain) Support and cooperation models for job introduction;
- **June 2014**, Östergötland (Sweden) - Mismatching, vocational training, youth at risk, gender equality methods.