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EUROPEAN SOCIAL ENTREPRENEUR

“European Social Entrepreneur” - ESE is an Erasmus+ project that aims to disseminate good practices at European level through the training of youth workers that can provide innovative skills about the social entrepreneurial field to the young people.

One of the main results of “European social Entrepreneur’s” project is a manual containing guidelines on comparative studies in Europe on teaching entrepreneurship with the involvement of disadvantaged young people in start-ups and in particular social enterprises. The manual consists of successful stories, testimonies, and good practices.

During the pandemic, all partners of ESE project regularly meet online to sustain the implementation of the project. At the moment, the consortium is preparing an interesting and innovative programme for the training in Cyprus. There will be various interactive group dynamic activities, presentations simulations, practical exercises and discussions.

NEWS ABOUT EU PROGRAMMES 2021-2027

There are multiple publications about entrepreneurial books, “30 under 30” by Forbes magazine, good practices from over Atlantic, educational and inspirational videos.

In 2021, many civil society actors are impatiently waiting for the launch of the new European programmes. The good news is that EACEA’s new generation of funding programmes for the period 2021-2027 has been politically agreed in 2020.

EACEA's funding programmes for this period will be:

- Erasmus+
- Creative Europe
- the European Solidary Corps
- the Citizenship, Equality, Rights and Values programme (CERV).

These programmes will be built on the success of their predecessors (Erasmus+, Creative Europe, the European Solidarity Corps and Europe for Citizens). There is still no official publication about the dates for relevant calls for proposals, but some of the expected news are about to go public soon.

In the meantime, our team has made some research and we found out that the first deadline of the **Erasmus+ programme 2021-2027** is expected in the first half of May 2021. The information has not yet received confirmation, neither by the official channels of Erasmus+. However, the timing appears to be plausible.

The programme guidelines are expected to be published in March 2021. According to the information by the official sources the next Erasmus+ Programme intends to be more inclusive and accessible. It means that the application processes will be simpler. The new programme will also invest in innovative fields such as renewable energy, environmentalism, sustainability, environmental engineering, and artificial intelligence. The international dimension of the programme will also be boosted. The new programme will increase international mobility and cooperation by providing learning and mobility opportunities to 12 million people, in comparison to 4 million people in the current programme. There will be a better outreach and inclusion of people with fewer opportunities. Investing in people, their skills, and their knowledge will help respond to global challenges, maintain social fairness and drive Europe's competitiveness.

The pandemic has taught us the importance and the necessity of technology in our modern working lives. In new **Erasmus+ programme** there will be a significant amount of funding allocated to the digital sector as recent experiences have shown us the possibilities offered by virtual learning and cooperation.

We look forward to the next Erasmus+ programme!

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