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PRESENTING ORGANIZATION, COUNTRY:

ELIX – Conservation Volunteers Greece

TITLE:*Pame Scholio* (Let's go to school)**WHEN AND WHERE:**

July and August 2016

KEYWORDS:

Creative, NFE, refugee children

WHO WAS INVOLVED:

200 refugee children (6-13 years old), parents, ELIX staff, pedagogues, volunteers, interpreters.

IMPACT ON LEVEL:

- **Local:** The project has proven to have had a very supportive and beneficial influence for the 200 children mainly from Syrian and Afghan origin, with very few children from Pakistan, Somalia, Iran and Iraq. The psychosocial wellbeing and positive effect on the children has spread to their families as well, who visited the school and attended the celebrations organized at the closing events of each period. Parents expressed their gratitude in many ways, acknowledging the change they witnessed on their children through their participation in the project. We now know that we have reached our goal to give these children a real “taste” of school.
- **International:** Cooperation of different stakeholders such as municipalities (e.g. Athens), international NGOs (e.g. FCA, Refugees Support Platform PAR, Partnership for Youth Empowerment (PYE)), scouts from France. Valuable support was provided by volunteers, who formed bonds of friendship and love with the children and assisted the pedagogues in the daily program with commitment. Some were Greeks three were from the Portuguese NGO Refugees Support Platform PAR and eight Scouts from France.
- **National:** The project facilitated the smooth integration of the children to the Greek educational system. The network of cooperation and partnerships of ELIX has been expanded: During the design and the implementation of the project there have been many occasions for formal and informal meetings with the representatives of the ministry of education but also with other institutions such as UNICEF.

DESCRIPTION:

These two months, every day from 09:30 to 13:30 the ELIX group consisting of: 18 pedagogues under the guidance of an Educational Coordinator, a Field Manager, 4 Interpreters and a number of volunteers from many countries welcomed the children at the 87th Intercultural School in the Keramikos area of Athens.

The main aim of the project “πάμε Σχολείο” was to provide the children with a “taste” of schooling through a well structured project, which offered them support and empowerment, and prepare them for a smooth integration into the Greek Educational System in autumn. We focused mainly on creating a child-friendly environment, full of supportive and creative activities of non- formal education in order to feel trust and acceptance, as well as empowering their creativity and engagement in a group.

The project is funded by the Finn Church Aid, (FCA), the largest Finnish development cooperation organization and the second largest provider of humanitarian assistance. Furthermore, Finn Church Aid specializes in supporting projects addressing the refugee crises.

CONCLUSION AND PROPOSAL:

The project ended successfully with new capacities for ELIX as organization but also for the other involved parts such as our volunteers and our partners.

Thanks to the positive outcomes of this pilot project we are going to implement a new project that will address ~1300 refugee children all year long in different sites in Greece with the support of UNICEF and other institutions.



PRESENTING ORGANIZATION, COUNTRY: GENÇTUR - TURKEY
TITLE: Street Circus
WHEN AND WHERE: Between 2012-2013 & 2014 In Mardin, south east city by the Syrian border.
WHO WAS/IS TO BE INVOLVED: GENÇTUR supplied international volunteers for a local organization dealing with refugees for their local project to run a circus for local + refugee kids on the streets and refugee camps.
IMPACT ON LEVEL: Local
DESCRIPTION: Mardin Youth and Culture Association is going to organize a “Circus & Street Arts Festival” and they need volunteers to prepare, run and perform in it. The festival groups are going to visit near by towns and the refugee camps to meet children and youth living there. Anybody is welcome but people with skills on circus or street arts like juggling, clowning, stick walking, tightrope dancing-walking, fire blowing, capoeira , mime, graffiti, acrobacy, illusion, etc., are especially welcome. Work: Helping the organisation committee to prepare the festival, setting up stands, tents, hanging posters, inviting people by different activities. But if you have a talent as mentioned above you can perform and teach it to the locals. A: In a dormitory. Sleeping bag and mat are not necessary. F: Will be supplied at the site. R: A motivation letter including some pictures about your talent (if possible) along with the application form. LO: Mardin is a city in south-east of Turkey bordered to Syria but not effected from the events there. The host will meet all the volunteers in Mardin airport on the first day of the camp. The circus project was a big attraction in the region and an occasion to bring local and refugee kids together. Although after the first year, there was no permission for the local host to get into the refugee camps, it was still a success as there were many refugee families living out of the camps, in the city. Volunteers performed several activities for kids and gave trainings.
CONCLUSION/PROPOSAL/CALL FOR ACTION: The situation in the region stopped us for sending volunteers as there was no application due to the location of the project but the activities are still going on in the local level. We need interested and brave volunteers to go to the region, join in the activities and support the project. We need the support of the partner IVS organizations to promote the project and try to convince their outgoing volunteers to apply for it. Refugee kids suffering of the current situation need something new and nice in their life.



PRESENTING ORGANIZATION, COUNTRY: World4U, Russia
TITLE: Better Together: International Voluntary Service as a tool for social inclusion (Erasmus + financed project)

<p>WHEN AND WHERE:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Training for camp-leaders (19-27th May 2016), Oberschleissheim, Germany 2. YE/workcamp (30th of July – 14th of August), Oberschleissheim, Germany
<p>KEY WORDS:</p> <p>Social inclusion, intercultural learning, non-formal education, work with teenagers, work with refugees</p>
<p>WHO WAS/IS TO BE INVOLVED:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Potential camp-leaders (2 people) 2. A group leader and four teenage volunteers
<p>IMPACT ON LEVEL: Local, International</p>
<p>DESCRIPTION:</p> <p>The project had two parts: a training course for camp-leaders in voluntary camps and a youth exchange/workcamp where they had an opportunity to implement acquired knowledge and skills. During the training course participants had workshops on different topics important for future leaders in social inclusion voluntary projects.</p> <p>Participants represented 5 countries: Serbia, Russia, Italy, Spain and Germany.</p> <p>The youth exchange/workcamp had participants from the same countries as well as refugees based in Germany. The project had the advantages of the YE and workcamp: in the morning participants had volunteering tasks (manual), in the afternoons participants took part in workshops organized by group leaders on different topic, such as social inclusion, intercultural learning, etc.</p>
<p>CONCLUSION/PROPOSAL/CALL FOR ACTION:</p> <p>It's complicated to assess the impact that this project had on the participants with migrant background, however, there were many positive outcomes of this project for Russian participants and us as organization: increased interest in the topic among Russian youngsters, desire to enrich their knowledge based on real personal experience and not media representation; intention of us as an organization to take part in more projects of similar nature and organize activities in Russia to raise awareness about these issues.</p>



<p>PRESENTING ORGANIZATION, COUNTRY:</p> <p>Compagnons Bâtisseurs Belgium</p>
<p>TITLE:</p> <p>Youth exchange ELDORADO - Welcome refugees</p>
<p>WHEN AND WHERE:</p> <p>Marche-en-Famenne, Belgium from 22nd August until 3rd September 2016</p>
<p>KEY WORDS:</p> <p>Participation, inclusion, listening, life stories, creativity</p>
<p>WHO WAS/IS TO BE INVOLVED:</p> <p>25 participants in between 16 and 25 years coming from the following organizations: CBB, YRS, Genctur, ICJA, Elix and some youngsters hosted in Red Cross asylum seekers center of Rendeux (a village not far from Marche-en-Famenne)</p>

IMPACT ON LEVEL:

On the **local** and **national** level some asylum seekers who live in Marche-en-Famenne and who took part in Eldorado YE, keep on taking part in other projects with us and became CBB constantly involved volunteers; these volunteers with a migrant background will be proposed to attend CBB training for work camps leaders and in case they wish to keep on being involved in the association, they will be asked to propose us their own project, to lead a work camp or youth exchange and to take responsibilities in the association.

On the local and national level the artistic production of Eldorado Youth Exchange have been presented in the Biennale d'Art de Jodoigne, an artistic event running in a Federal asylum seekers center of Belgium. Furthermore the project result has been presented during the CBB annual day which was held this year in October 8th and which was attended by 100 people (CBB volunteers and local partners representatives). On CBB day a representative of the national agency of the French speaking part of Belgium came there and watched the artistic productions and the Video as the result of Eldorado youth exchange. Our national agency came as well on the project venue when the activities were running and gave us a very positive feedback.

On the **international** level Eldorado participants took part in the Peace action week by taking part in a virtual action held on Facebook, on October 20th. Participants spread the video produced during the exchange and each of them put as his/her Facebook profile image, the picture taken of him/her under during the artistic workshops held under the frame of the project.

All the youngsters went back to their countries and hopefully they will be there promoters of value as cultural dialogue and solidarity so multipliers.

The video produced during Eldorado project is visible on CBB Facebook page <https://www.facebook.com/groups/1064521273635624/>

Other information available on CBB website

<http://www.compagnonsbattisseurs.be/>

DESCRIPTION:

The Youth exchange was part of a bigger “umbrella” project named WELCOME REFUGEES.

The specific Eldorado project was born by an idea and proposal of two volunteers who are very sensitive to the asylum seeker's situation and are very active in CBB organization.

The project aimed at giving participants the opportunity to know more about current forced migration “crisis”, to break stereotypes, to meet some of the asylum seekers hosted in the center of Rendeux.

Participants with migrant background were actively involved in the activities and were given the space to share their life stories with the others. Artistic workshops were proposed to reflect around the theme.

CONCLUSION/PROPOSAL/CALL FOR ACTION:

The project seemed very appreciated by participants. Nevertheless, there is still space for improvement. Rethinking the project and in case of a second project edition, the activity can be foreseen as it follows:

- Asylum seekers participants will be involved in the project from the very beginning; they will be involved in the project preparation with the project coordinator; the project was born as an idea of two volunteers very implicated in CBB. As the project was about asylum seekers' situation for a next edition asylum seekers will be proposed to take part in the very first phase of the project preparation;
- Each asylum seeker participant will be put in touch with a project leader or responsible to let him/her create with him a relationship of confidence before the project starting, this in order to be at ease to say if something is not working for him/her during the activities or to ask for a deeper support; this also in order to let the project coordinator know better the participant with this particular profile before the beginning of the activities;
- The project will be better promoted among the local community in order to have more local people attending the project result presentation on the last day.

Following these steps the project will not be an activity aimed to deal ABOUT asylum seekers but it will be an activity implemented WITH asylum seekers.

The project result is a video, which will be useful to promote values as intercultural dialogue, openness, the importance to listen to other people's life stories, the diversity of each person's life story etc....

The project result has been shared also during CBB annual day and shared with our entire volunteers' network.

After taking part in this project, some youngsters with asylum seeker background have been proposed to take part in other projects with CBB.

CBB will further foster asylum seekers' participation in their volunteering projects and to work on a long term strategy: after a first participation in one of our activities we will always propose to our volunteers with asylum seeker background to keep on being active in the association life as becoming workcamps animators, be involved in our local activities....



PRESENTING ORGANIZATION, COUNTRY:

Compagnons Bâtisseurs Belgium

TITLE PROJECT 2:

Panic in The Village

WHEN AND WHERE:

Marche-en-Famenne, Belgium from 3rd until 9th October 2016

KEY WORDS:

Refugee “crisis”, not-accompanied minors, inclusion, solidarity, active citizenship

WHO WAS/IS TO BE INVOLVED:

12 participants in between 16 and 25 years coming from Belgium (CBB) and Finland (Allianssi)

IMPACT ON LEVEL:

On the **local** level the project had a big visibility as participants took part in CBB annual day, hold in 2016 on 8th October. More or less 100 persons (CBB volunteers and partners) were taking part in this event. This allowed us to share the projects aims and results with many people.

The youngsters with a refugee background who took part in the project will be proposed to keep on be involved in CBB association. They are more than welcome to participate in other projects or become volunteers who will take responsibilities in the organization.

On the **international** level the video produced during the project will be promoted by CBB and Allianssi from Finland, and used as a tool to promote inclusion and foster knowledge about migrants and asylum seekers’ topic among the youngsters and target groups of the two partner organizations.

All the young participants of the project went back to their countries and hopefully they will be there promoters of value as cultural dialogue and solidarity.

The video produced during Eldorado project is visible on CBB Facebook page <https://www.facebook.com/groups/1064521273635624/>

Other information available on CBB and Allianssi Youth exchange websites:

www.compagnonsbatisseurs.be

www.nuorisovaihto.fi

DESCRIPTION:

The project aim was approaching the theme of asylum seekers and especially of not- accompanied minors. The aim was also to identify concrete possible actions in order to foster these youngsters inclusion in the young communities of the countries where they are hosted.

Participants took part in reflection group and field visits in Fedasil asylum seekers center of Sugny, a center CBB are since longtime partners with (we organize there work camps on a constant basis).

Volunteers had also the opportunity to sleep some nights in the center and this was definitely a very strong experience for them.

Sharing for a short time with asylum seekers the space were they live allowed them to understand more asylum seekers’ conditions of life, problems, hopes and expectations.

Through artistic workshops, participants realized a video which will be spread by CBB, Allianssi and all their partners among a wider public in order to sensitize many people to the asylum seekers’ topic.

CONCLUSION/PROPOSAL/CALL FOR ACTION:

A volunteer of CBB who is very committed with asylum seekers’ topic proposed this project to CBB. Participants realized a video about the theme and this video will help us to promote values as intercultural dialogue, openness, and awareness about asylum seekers’ topic.

CBB decided to further foster refugees’ participation in our volunteering projects and to work on a long term strategy: after a first participation in one of our activities we will always propose to our asylum seekers volunteers to keep on be active in the association life (becoming work camps animators, be involved in our local activities....).

For a next project edition they will be involved in the project preparation since the very beginning to take part in all the steps of the activity. They will be also put in touch with the project coordinator much before the project starting in order to create with this person a trust relationship. This will be in order to provide them with a reinforced support and mentorship if needed.



PRESENTING ORGANIZATION, COUNTRY: VJF Germany
TITLE: Being a camp leader
WHEN AND WHERE: During Summer in 2016
KEY WORDS: Camp leader refugee, VJF
WHO WAS/IS TO BE INVOLVED: A migrant from Pakistan, 2 EVS volunteers and VJF
IMPACT ON LEVEL: International
DESCRIPTION: This year the German organization VJF was cooperating with a refugee centre; some places in workcamp projects in Berlin were offered to young migrants. Youngsters from the centre were participating in an early workcamp, together with 2 girls, doing their European Voluntary Service (EVS) in VJF. The EVS volunteers were supposed to lead workcamps, so we as the organization wanted them to join in a camp first to make it easier for them. The EVS volunteers and one of the migrants, a young Pakistani, started being friends. This young man was well educated and has heard about IVS projects before. It was a good point to start with, so he was asked in being a co- leader in another camp, together with the EVS girls. In the end, it was a very nice and instructive cooperation between them, the organization VJF and the hosts. One of the EVS girls in turns and the young man from Pakistan led one camp after the other during the summer. They became good friends, spent the free time (yes, they also had free time!) together and we always had a friendly and nice cooperation with them. The girl helped him in just being there as new friends. The young man could spend his time outside of the refugee centre, a sports hall without much space for individualism. It was a nice summer for them, for VJF and for the volunteers they have met. The young man from Pakistan was able to tell his story and it was interesting for the volunteers to hear it.
CONCLUSION/PROPOSAL/CALL FOR ACTION: Let the migrants tell their stories to let them be heard!



PRESENTING ORGANIZATION, COUNTRY: Etudes et Chantiers ANEC (former UNAREC), France
TITLE: Accessing: Permanent social inclusion projects / workcamps
WHEN AND WHERE: In France since many years already.

KEY WORDS:

Social inclusion / diversity

WHO WAS/IS TO BE INVOLVED:

French people (volunteers and paid staff who is in the social inclusion projects), migrants, asylum seekers, refugees, international volunteers and unaccompanied foreigner young people (minors and adults).

IMPACT ON LEVEL: International

DESCRIPTION:

In all our projects we promote social inclusion and diversity.

In our permanent social inclusion projects we host several migrants and refugees who have the opportunity to work with us as paid staff from 6 months up to 1, sometimes 2 years. They work with French people who are facing social problems like long periods of unemployment, addictions, disabilities, etc. In every project they are followed by two people of our organisation: one follow them on the project during the technical works, and another one help them to prepare their selves for afterwards, so looking for a job, a training, CV, learn and improve their French, etc.

In all our teenage camps, and in some of our adult camps we host unaccompanied foreign young people. They stay in our camps for a couple of weeks with French and international volunteers. Some of them are in France since just one month and they don't speak French. So participate in a camp is a good way to start to practice and learn French, and so get integrated faster, as in all our camps we have also French volunteers (especially in the teen camps where they are half French and half international volunteers).

We are waiting for funding for a new project with a centre that host asylum seekers. If we get funds, a group of asylum seekers will work in one of our permanent social inclusion projects. We have several social inclusion projects in the same area of the centre that host the asylum seekers so we'll see if the asylum seekers will join one, or several projects, or if we'll do a new project where they will work with locals. We hope we can get the funding and start on 2017 or 2018.

CONCLUSION/PROPOSAL/CALL FOR ACTION:

All the organisations that do workcamps/projects might host migrants, asylum seekers and refugees, if they wish and if their national laws allow them to do so.

They can contact the centres who host migrants, asylum seekers and refugees, or the associations who work with them and see how to cooperate.

Etudes et Chantiers ANEC good practices on how to prepare the incoming of an unaccompanied foreign young volunteer in a workcamp:

- send the A4A application form to the social worker who is in charge of the unaccompanied foreigner young volunteer. The social worker will fill a part of the application alone, and a second part will be filled with the volunteer.
- verify that in the application there is an emergency 24h contact, is normally the social worker who is in charge of volunteer, or the director of the centre where the volunteer lives, or his/her legal tutor.
- have a meeting with the social worker and the volunteer : explain during the meeting what a camp is and how it works, answer to his/her questions/doubts, try to find the project that suits the volunteer best according to the projects where you have the most prepared leaders.
- invite the volunteer to the preparation session before the beginning of camps season to prepare him/her better to the camp and answer to his/her questions/doubts.
- keep in contact with the social worker who is in charge of the volunteer during the camp if there are any problems.
- do an evaluation with the leading team, the volunteer and the social worker.
- try to involve him/her in your association after the camp.



PRESENTING ORGANIZATION, COUNTRY: Grenzenlos, Austria
TITLE: Time4diversity
WHEN AND WHERE: Austria- September 2015
KEY WORDS: Inclusion, Diversity, Migration, Non-formal education, Live together
WHO WAS/IS TO BE INVOLVED: Trainers, schools, youth people and Partner Organizations, Refugees
IMPACT ON LEVEL: Local and International
DESCRIPTION: Through workshops Grenzenlos raise awareness about cultural diversity, migration and preventing discrimination with the local youth and pupils about stereotypes and prejudices with non-f methods, to create good atmosphere to acknowledge diversity and prevent social exclusion. This a local project became an strategic and international partnership, training trainers to set up workshops and disseminate the information in International Organizations in Europe: Estyes(Estonia), IBG (Germany), Link (Italy) and JAVVA (Belgium).
CONCLUSION/PROPOSAL/CALL FOR ACTION: The last meeting was located in Brussels August-2016, where was the opportunity to share results and as a final product present a Handbook for intercultural learning "Time4diversity".



PRESENTING ORGANIZATION, COUNTRY: Grenzenlos, Austria
TITLE PROJECT 2: Mentor-Innen Zuzamen Leben
WHEN AND WHERE: Since 2010 until now, meetings 2 per month
KEY WORDS: Inclusion, Diversity, Migration, Non-formal education, Live together
WHO WAS/IS TO BE INVOLVED: Trainers, Mentors and Mentees-Refugees 18-40 years old.
IMPACT ON LEVEL: Local and International

DESCRIPTION:

Mentorship programme to promote the personal integration of migrants in the city of Vienna. The inclusion approach is a high priority for Grenzenlos to promote the personal development of individuals and intercultural understanding through encounters between Mentors and Mentees. Grenzenlos give tools through training mentors from the local community to support Mentees- Refugees in different levels to cover specific intercultural needs.

CONCLUSION/PROPOSAL/CALL FOR ACTION:

In 2010 Grenzenlos started with 30 Mentors and 30 Mentees, nowadays approximately 15 mentees and 15 mentors are actively part of the project.

The mentors and mentees have taken an evaluation, the results clearly show that both parts had a learning and intercultural process. Many have even long-term international experience and know the challenges of cultural integration from personal observations.

**PRESENTING ORGANIZATION, COUNTRY:**

ijgd (Internationale Jugendgemeinschaftsdienste)

TITLE:

Better together...volunteering as a tool for social inclusion

WHEN AND WHERE:

August 2016 in Oberschleissheim (Germany)

KEY WORDS:

Inclusion, Refugees, training for group leaders, Construction, Education, Workcamp plus Youth Exchange (work and study), training for multipliers, ERASMUS+ project.

WHO WAS/IS TO BE INVOLVED:

Partner orgs, volunteers, host organization, trainers, experts for special issues, refugees – asylum seekers

IMPACT ON LEVEL: Local, National, International

DESCRIPTION:

The project consisted of 3 parts, each with 25 participants:

1. Training for group leaders, focus on inclusion and migration (for workcamps and youth exchanges);
2. Youth exchange for teenagers;
3. Training for multipliers with focus on migration and inclusion.

1) Training for group leaders

The training offered volunteers from 10 different partner organisations the opportunity to be trained as group leaders for workcamps and youth exchanges with the focus on inclusion and migration.

2) Youth exchange

The Youth Exchange brought teenagers from 5 different countries and three refugees – asylum seekers teens together.

The idea of youth exchange was to bring together youngsters with different backgrounds to learn from each other through living together, working together, learn together, cook together. The youth exchange combined the approaches of classical youth exchange with approach of the workcamp, where half a day participants would spend sharing about the topic of inclusion and migration in their countries, while the other half of the day they would work together on painting the new school for refugees and building the furniture for it. 3 refugees – asylum seekers who are currently engaged in work of the local host have taken part in the youth exchange and spent whole 2 weeks with 25 other teenagers from 5 partner countries. The aim of the project was to support the construction of the school for refugee teens, who otherwise do not have the exes to formal education in Germany in this age.

3) Training for multipliers

The aim of this 9 days training, taking place in November 2016, is to train volunteers, who involved in the different activities before, as multipliers. Those multipliers can then be future expe seminars for the topics of migration and inclusion.

CONCLUSION/PROPOSAL/CALL FOR ACTION:

- Rethinking what should be the language of YE due to limitations refugees are facing with English in case the project is taking place in Germany or other non-English speaking country (Conclusion) – Tandem.
- Make stronger relationship with local partners who are hosting or working with refugees and strengthen the cooperation on the local level
- Trying to involve refugees and migrations in other projects in your organization (for example trainings for camp leaders) and involve them in different levels

**PRESENTING ORGANIZATION, COUNTRY:**

JAVVA asbl, Belgium

TITLE:

Workcamp in asylum seekers center

WHEN AND WHERE:

The projects are held in asylum seekers centers in Belgium. The last workcamp was held in October 2016.

KEYWORDS:

Sharing stories – painting - recreational activities – preparing events

WHO WAS INVOLVED:

- International and national volunteers,
- JAVVAs hosting staff,
- the local host : people in charge in the asylum seeker center (managed by Red Cross, Fedasil or Caritas),
- asylum seekers and refugees.

IMPACT ON LEVEL:

- Local: welcoming migrants in the country they are seeking asylum,
- International: global questioning about human rights and peace, migrations and global issues
- National: raising awareness about the procedure of asylum seeking in Belgium and in Europe.

DESCRIPTION:

JAVVA organizes workcamps in asylum seeker centers in Wallonia and Brussels for several years. The volunteers usually take part in renovation activities in the centers together with residents and developing recreational activities (sports, games, drawing, painting, international dinners, excursions...) for/with the residents of the centers. Volunteers spent a lot of time with asylum seekers and live within the center during the whole workcamp. These projects were very successful. Volunteers learned a lot about refugees issues, their stories and the general situation of migrants in the world. In 2016, in order to increase the impact of this experience, it was decided together with the host that a former asylum seekers, who got granted with the refugee status would stay with the group of the volunteers during the whole project. The presence of this Syrian refugee with the volunteers had a great impact on the workcamps:

- he was able to answer questions about the asylum procedure and the specificities of the centre whenever the volunteers had questions
- he was willing to share his story with the volunteers, while this could be quite sensitive with the asylum seekers
- he could translate the discussions and therefore allow a better contact with asylum seekers who speak Arabic and not English
- he was totally included in the group of volunteers as participant and had a special relationship with the volunteers
- all the volunteers feedbacks were very positive, they were eager to learn more about migration issues and built strong relationship among them.

CONCLUSION AND PROPOSAL:

Although these workcamps were successful, asylum seekers did not take part in designing nor leading the projects that were implemented in their centers. After the 2016 experience and the great impact it brought to the workcamp, we want to systematize this practice and involve more refugees and also asylum seekers in the workcamps. We will propose to asylum seekers from our partner centers to design the workcamp project with JAVVA. Then, a group of 2 persons, one refugee and one national volunteer, will be leading the project together. The objective will be to respond to the real needs of the refugees and to involve them into IVS projects in Belgium.