

Milan, 12th January 2013

Dear Sirs/Organisation,

We are two Civil Society Organisations (Acli Lombardia – www.aclilombardia.it and Il Torpedone - www.torpedone.org) active in the Milan and Lombardia area in the field of: promotion of social and civic rights, adults and young people training and education, orientation and support for disadvantaged people.

Considering our field of activity and competence and being 2013 the European Year of Citizens (<http://europa.eu/citizens-2013/>), we'd like to participate to the next Call of the EU Citizenship Programme

(http://eacea.ec.europa.eu/citizenship/funding/2013/call_action2_3_en.php) with a Project addressing Young Families on the Move, that is young EU Families who've already decided to move (sometimes for a limited period) in a new EU Nation or are going to do it in a short time, as briefly illustrated in the following pages.

We are writing to you because we are looking for interested EU partners who would like to take part in this project and support us in the presentation of it for the next call. If you are interested in the project or want to ask us more information about it, please contact us at the following e-mail: giuseppeimbrogno@hotmail.com.

Thank you in advance for your attention,

Best regards

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“YOUNG EU FAMILIES ON THE MOVE” – PROJECT ABSTRACT

Call referrals

CITIZENSHIP PROGRAMME - ACTION 2 – ACTIVE CIVIL SOCIETY IN EUROPE

IV. 5 Measure 3 – Support for projects initiated by civil society organisations

http://eacea.ec.europa.eu/citizenship/funding/2013/index_en.php

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Deadline

1 February 2013

Project's duration

18 months

Budget

Projects should be between 10.000 and 150.000 Eur of total budget (EU grant max 70%)

2013 Programme Priorities as addressed by the project

Citizens and EU: values, rights and opportunities for Citizens

- Raising awareness, reflection and debate on the relevance and implications of EU policies on citizens' daily lives
- Increasing awareness, understanding and enjoyment of the values, rights and opportunities created by the EU
- Fostering reflection of the cost of non-Europe

In addition to the Programme annual priorities, 2013 is the *European Year of Citizens* (<http://europa.eu/citizens-2013/en/home>). In the related documents, a particular attention is given to the objective of "enhance awareness and knowledge of the rights and responsibilities attached to Union citizenship, in order to enable citizens (i.e. workers, jobseekers) to make full use of their right to move and reside freely within the territory of the Member States".

PROJECT RESUMEE

In relation to the “Young Families on the Move” target (especially those who live and work in the project’s partners’ countries) and considering especially their experiences and points of view, the main objective is to tackle the right of free movement and residence in the EU trying to understand: in what measure these rights are actually known and used, which opportunities they represent, which are the main obstacles to their enjoyment, which needs are connected with the full enjoyment of EU citizenship, which proposals, actions, instruments can be activated in order to promote a full awareness and use of these rights.

Main target

“Young Families on the Move”: couples of 30-40 people with or without children who’ve already decided or are soon going to live and work in a different EU country (sometimes for a limited period).

We decided to address this target because we think they have specific positive traits (probable knowledge of the language of the destination country and good key competences, good work experience, support from the family), but also some specific needs and problems (partner’s and children’s involvement in the choice, finding a suitable accommodation for a family, knowledge and orientation in the educational and welfare systems of the destination country, etc.) that make this target particularly interesting to work with. We also think that, given the current economic situation in EU, especially in some countries, in the short term the YFM will increase among those who will entrust their own and their children future to the choice to live and work in a different EU State.

Problems and Objectives

PROBLEMS	OBJECTIVES
<p>The right to move and reside freely in the EU can’t be fully enjoyed by the EU citizens (specifically YFM) due to some obstacles such as: lack of (certificated) information, lack of assistance, lack of awareness, especially in fields connected with the choice of moving (welfare and educational system, etc.).</p>	<p>To foster a better awareness about the opportunity of the EU citizenship (also stressing the costs of the non EU). To promote a debate about the “full EU citizenship” (differences between “EU mobility” and “migration”), that means laws and rules, but also orientation and support system, initiatives and best practices in the national countries.</p>

<p>There's still a gap between the EU laws and the citizens' everyday experiences. It's difficult for citizens to get to know other with similar mobility routes and to share their experiences with them.</p>	<p>To facilitate the creation of networks (both at local and national level) by citizens who chose to move in different EU countries and those who want to in order to promote thoughts and experience exchanges. With the support of the project's staff these groups of citizens contribute to the realisation of documents, tools, proposals for other EU citizens and EU representatives.</p>
<p>The current economic situation will probably increase in the short term the number of "young families" who'll decide to move to live and work in a different EU country.</p>	<p>To develop specific information, measures, tools for YFM.</p>
<p>The present information and orientation national and local systems are quite different and often they lack of visibility and "certification". YFM are often left alone during the choice and after it (both in the leaving and in the destination country).</p>	<p>To create public, accessible, certificated instruments and communication channels. To build a network among the project's partners (and among them and some other organisations at local level) that can be a orientation and support net for YFM.</p>

Work Packages		Short description	Main Outputs	Main Deliverables
WP 0	Management	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Definition and implementation of project's coordination and monitoring systems 	Conference calls and specific moments in 3 partners' meetings	Management and control tools and documents
WP 1	Promotion	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Project's promotion at local level Creation of a local network with organisations interested in the project's themes Definition of YFM profile Stats' and good practices collection and analysis of young families mobility situation in each country involved 	Conference calls Partners' local networks YFM first group (16 – 20 fam)	Promotional plan Stats and good practices collection Target profiling scheme
WP 2	Design	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Definition of the young families' involvement tools and methods (Open Space Technology, interviews, etc.) and specific declination in each country Design of the 2.0 web tools (platform and webradio) 	Project's Meeting N. 1	Guidelines for involvement tools and methods Guidelines for the 2.0 tools
WP 3	Involvement	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Involvement in each partners' countries of YFM Start up and testing of 2.0 tools 	Interviews, laboratories, seminars with YFM (at least 10 for partner)	Materials and documentations about YFM involved (audio-video interviews, etc.)
WP 4	Focus	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Experts' seminar about EU Citizenship and Rights (free mobility and residence) Young families Laboratory 	Project's Meeting N.2 (Italy): <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Experts' Seminar YFM Laboratory (16-20 participants + staff) Word Ring Exercise 	Seminar documents Documentation about YFM needs and proposals
WP 5	Implementation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Collection of web tools' contents (Vademecum about social and educational systems in each country) Collection of materials for recommendation to EU representatives Implementation of web tools 		2.0 tools Vademecum Recommendations
WP 6	Launch and dissemination	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Creation of a mobility network among the partners Dissemination activities at a local level Dissemination at European level of project's outputs (2.0 tools, Vademecum, recommendation) and results 	Seminars and other dissemination events at local level (at least 1 for partner) Partner Meeting n. 3: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Project dissemination main Event 	
WP 7	Evaluation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Data collecting and monitoring Monitoring documentation 	Partners' meeting (ad hoc moments during the meetings)	Evaluation report

Activities foreseen for each partner

In the implementation of the project, the main part of the activities will see all partners involved (with the others or alone). The common activities for all partners will be:

- Participation to N.3 partners' meetings (including: updating, bookkeeping, monitoring, etc.);
- Creation of local networks with organisations interested in the same subject;
- Co-definition of "young families on the move" profile;
- Stats collection and analysis of young families' mobility situation in each national country involved;
- Research about national information and orientation systems and good practices (public and private both);
- Co-design of the "involvement format", that is tools and practices to be used for the involvement of young families in the project (such as Open Space Technology, etc.);
- Involvement of young families ("moved" or "on the move" at a local level): interviews, small groups, laboratories about citizens' experiences, needs, obstacles, awareness about EU rights, proposals to dismantle obstacles, etc.
- Contribution to the creation of a Vademecum for young families on the move, with information about the national country (such as educational and welfare system, etc.);
- Contribution to the contents of the 2.0 tools foreseen in the project (web platform and web radio): interviews, documents, etc.
- Project's results dissemination at a local level.

In addition to the activities above, we're looking for partners who are also interested in:

- Hosting the 1st or the 3rd project's meeting and organizing the Final Dissemination Event of the project (during the 3rd meeting);
- Taking part to a new organisations' network for orientation and support of YFM.