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# **Citizenship matters: The participation of young women and minorities in Euro-Med youth projects**

A training course  
for youth workers and youth leaders  
active within Euro-Med youth projects

Swedish Institute in Alexandria

Alexandria (Egypt), 19-29 April 2004

## **Programme of the course**



In co-operation with the  
Swedish Institute in  
Alexandria

## Monday 19 April

*Arrival of participants*

20:00 *Dinner*

21:00 Welcome and group-building activities

## Tuesday 20 April

08:30 *Departure from Kaoud Hotel to the Swedish Institute*

09:00 Official opening of the course, with:  
- **Jan Henningsson**, Director of the Swedish Institute  
- **Dr. Ali El-Din Hillal**, Minister for Youth of Egypt  
- **Mr Dietrich Rometsch**, European Commission  
- **Mr Rui Gomes**, Council of Europe

Presentation of the participants and aims of the course

10:15 *Break*

10:45 Getting to know each other and expectations of participants towards the course

12:30 Plenary – report on the expectations of participants

Information about the course and the Swedish Institute in Alexandria

13:00 *Lunch*

14:30 Presentation of the programme and methodology of the course

15:00 Individual and group work on identity and culture

17:15 *Break*

17:30 Preparation of the exhibition about the organisations' activities

19:00 Opening of the exhibition

20:15 Closing

21:00 *Dinner*

## Wednesday 21 April

08:30 *Departure from Kaoud Hotel to the Swedish Institute*

09:00 Introduction to the programme of the day

09:10 Exploration of the multicultural reality of Alexandria (in groups)

13:00 *Lunch*

15:00 Reports of the groups

16:30 *Break*

17:00 “Myths and realities about multicultural Alexandria”, presentation by Dr Farouk Abaza, The Faculty of Art, History Department of Alexandria University

18:00 Reflection groups

21:00 *Dinner and intercultural evening at Kaoud Hotel*

## **Thursday 22 April**

- 08:30 *Departure from Kaoud Hotel to the Swedish Institute*
- 09:00 Introduction to the programme of the day  
*Introductory activities to women's rights and participation*
- 09:45 "Young Women's rights and their violation within the European and Mediterranean area", Dr. Golda El-Khoury UNICEF Regional Advisor on Youth for the Middle East and North Africa Region
- 10:45 *Break*
- 11:15 Questions and discussions
- 12:15 Group work on the relevance of the issues raised by the speaker in participants' countries
- 13:00 *Lunch*
- 14:30 Continuation of the working groups
- 15:30 Feedback and reports of the groups
- 16:00 *Break*
- 16:15 "Mini-workshops" on Women's rights and Human Rights Education
- 20:30 *Dinner*

## **Friday 23 April**

- 08:30 *Departure from Kaoud Hotel to the Swedish Institute*
- 09:00 Introduction to the programme of the day
- 09:10 Introduction to minorities' rights in Euro-Med youth work
- 09:45 "Women and minority rights: securing equality and diversity within an universal framework of human rights", lecture by **Dr Azza Karam**, World Conference of Religions for Peace
- 10:45 *Break*
- 11:15 Questions and discussions with the speaker
- 12:15 Individual and work group on challenges to minority rights within participants' realities
- 13:00 *Lunch*
- 14:30 Working groups continue
- 16:15 *Break*
- 16:30 Feedback and reports of groups discussions
- 17:15 Practical information about the excursion to Cairo
- 17:45 Reflection groups
- 20:00 *Dinner by the Mediterranean*

## **Saturday 24 April**

*Free day*

Visit to Giza and Cairo

## **Sunday 25 April**

08:30 *Departure from Kaoud Hotel to the Swedish Institute*

09:00 Introduction to the programme of the day

09:15 Human rights education as a tool for the promotion of minorities and women's rights, with **Prof Mohamed Saeed**, "al Ahram Center for Strategic and Political Studies"

10:30 *Break*

11:00 Introduction to Compass, the manual on human rights education, and the educational approaches in it

13:00 *Lunch*

14:30 Introduction to the Euro-Med Youth Programme and the possibilities it offers for co-operation projects, by a representative of the European Commission  
Introduction to the Council of Europe and its work in the field of youth and human rights

15:30 Workshops  
- preparing an Euro-Med project  
- developing a project with young people

17:30 Visit to the *Biblioteca Alexandrina*  
Cultural programme in the city

20:30 *Dinner*

## **Monday 26 April**

08:30 *Departure from Kaoud Hotel to the Swedish Institute*

09:00 Introduction to the programme of the day

09:15 Workshops on educational approaches for the participation of women and minorities:  
- intercultural learning in youth work  
- youth participation

13:00 *Lunch*

14:30 Workshops on awareness-raising and prevention of discrimination, such as:  
- Antisemitism  
- Homophobia  
- Islamophobia  
- Gender-based violence

18:00 Reflection groups

20:30 *Dinner*

## **Tuesday 27 April**

- 08:30 *Departure from Kaoud Hotel to the Swedish Institute*
- 09:00 Introduction to the programme of the day
- 09:15 Guidelines for the promotion of the rights and the inclusion of women and minorities in/through future Euro-Med projects
- 09:30 Working groups drafting guidelines proposals
- 13:00 *Lunch*
- 15:00 Presentation of the guidelines and conclusions  
Round-table with local youth women and minorities organisations' representatives
- 16:30 *Café - Reception*
- 17:30 Closing of the day's programme

## **Wednesday 28 April**

- 08:30 *Departure from Kaoud Hotel to the Swedish Institute*
- 09:00 Introduction to the programme of the day
- 09:15 Guidelines for follow-up projects
- 09:45 Work on the follow-up of the course, individual and group work, consultations with the trainers
- 13:00 *Lunch*
- 14:30 Presentation of follow-up ideas and projects
- 15:30 Conclusions by the General Rapporteur
- 16:00 *Break*
- 16:30 Evaluation of the seminar
- 17:45 Closing of seminar
- 21:00 *Dinner and farewell party*

## **Thursday 29 April**

*Departure of participants*

## **Aims of the training course**

The training course aims to develop a common understanding about the challenges to the participation of women and minorities in youth projects and to identify educational principles to promote global citizenship of young people in Euro-Med projects.

## **Specific objectives of the training course**

- To develop participants' knowledge and understanding of women's and minorities' rights as universal human rights and their reality within the societies concerned with the Euro-Med Youth programme
- To explore existing challenges and obstacles related to the participation of young women and minority young people in European and Mediterranean countries;
- To provide participants with methodological insights and approaches in using human rights education and intercultural learning in youth programmes and projects for social cohesion and citizenship;
- To discuss and identify common educational principles and criteria for the promotion of the participation of women and minorities in Euro-Med youth projects;
- To share experiences and projects of best practice in citizenship promotion through intercultural youth exchanges;
- To extend participants' knowledge and understanding of the social and cultural realities of young people across the Mediterranean area in general, and of Egypt in particular;
- To provide participants with useful information and contacts for future Euro-Med youth projects.