

EAEA Younger Staff Training 2018 Detailed description

What is the EAEA Younger Training?

The Younger Staff Training is the EAEA flagship capacity building activity, with over 80 alumni since the first edition of the training in 2011. The training is a launching pad for further training activities and networking, with the exchange continuing through the Younger Staff Network.

Upon popular request, in 2018 the training has been extended to five days instead of the usual four. Each day will have a different focus, the overarching aim being to help the participants explore the European dimension of adult education and connect it to their national or local level. As every year, representatives of European institutions working on adult education will be invited to give inputs on existing EU policy frameworks, with EAEA providing the civil society perspective. For the first time, the Younger Staff Training participants will visit a Belgian adult education centre, gaining insight into how adult education fosters integration of migrants at the local level.

Peer learning is a key part of the programme – the daily "adult education in my country" sessions encourage the participants to compare the adult education landscape in their country and discuss the diversity of policy and practice. This year the discussions will be centered, among others, on the topic of life skills and learning environments.

Learning objectives

By the end of the training, the participants will:

- Learn about the diversity of policy and practice in adult education in Europe by comparing their professional experiences and national challenges
- Be familiar with the main challenges in European adult education sector and the role of European civil society
- Gain a basic understanding of regional differences in the definition and traditions of adult education in Europe
- Be able to identify major EU policy frameworks in the field of adult education
- Be familiar with the main methods that can be used for advocacy
- Get practical advice for writing project applications on adult education

Who should apply?

All professionals with a relatively short experience in the adult education sector are welcome to apply, especially those starting to work, or aiming to work, on advocacy, communication or



European projects in adult education.

The applicants should keep in mind that the Younger Staff Training is not a trainer the trainer course, nor does it go into details of specific policy issues in adult education. While adult educators or researchers are invited to participate as well, the topics discussed might not be directly linked to their everyday work.

How to apply?

- 1. Complete the registration form before 31 May
- 2. Wait for a confirmation email from EAEA staff
- 3. Pay the registration fee (100 EUR) to secure your spot.

Practical information

Dates: 24-28 September 2018

Venue: Rue de l'Industrie 10, Brussels, Belgium (other venues will be communicated later)

Training fee: 400 EUR + 100 EUR of the registration fee (500 EUR in total).

All participants will be asked to pay a registration fee (amounting to 100 EUR) before the

registration ends to secure their spot.

The training fee does not include travel costs, accommodation or meals. All participants will receive a practical information package via email with suggestions for affordable accommodation and other tips.

EAEA will evaluate the applications on a rolling basis. Some candidates might be refused once EAEA has reached the national quota (maximum 3 representatives from one country).

EAEA maintains the right to cancel the training if the minimum number of participants is not reached. The participants are advised to wait with making their travel arrangements until receiving a confirmation from EAEA staff.

Deadline for registrations: 31 May (exceptions will be made for participants waiting for results of Erasmus+ KA1 applications).

Questions?

For any further questions, please contact EAEA Membership and Events Officer Aleksandra Kozyra at <u>aleksandra.kozyra@eaea.org</u> or at +32 (0)2 89 32 52 2.



Learn more about the training:

- Registration form
- <u>Draft programme</u>
- <u>Infosheet</u> about the EAEA Younger Staff Training
- Article from the previous edition