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Enhancing Youth Participation through Facilitation Tools

TRAINING ACTIVITY 3

“Methods in Facilitation”

RIGA, LATVIA

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Event Overview

The 3rd Activity of the Erasmus+ project "Enhancing Youth Participation through Facilitation Tools," named "Methods in Facilitation," was hosted by Latvijas jauniešu attīstības centrs in Riga, Latvia, between 1-5 December 2023. The activity days were from 2nd to 4th December 2023, with 1st December as the arrival day and 5th December as the departure day. The event took place at the MERCURE RIGA CENTRE HOTEL, located at Elizabetes street 101, LV-1050, Riga, Latvia.



The inclusive nature of the event ensured a multicultural and diverse learning environment, enriching the overall experience. By focusing on non-formal education principles, the training achieved its goal of equipping participants with practical facilitation skills for effective community engagement and professional development. The event not only offered skill enhancement but also fostered a sense of community and active participation, preparing attendees to contribute meaningfully to their fields and societies.



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Participants and Organizations

Four representatives from each partner organization participated in this event:

- KULTUR&ART (Germany)
- Latvijas jauniešu attīstības centrs (Latvia)
- LYKIA IZCILIK VE DOGA SPORLARI KULUBU DERNEGI (Turkey)
- UDUG Association (Ireland)

Event Description and Objectives

This training event catered to youth workers, policy makers, leaders and project coordinators, focusing on innovative facilitation methods within non-formal education.



Participants from diverse backgrounds, including those disadvantaged or with experiences of violence, engaged in a unique learning journey. The event aimed to empower participants with practical skills for effective community engagement and professional development.



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Pre-event Preparation

Before the event, attendees completed a preparatory task, researching a facilitation method from a provided list, such as Action Maze, Buzz, Carousel, Case Study, Demonstration, Panel, Fishbowl, Guided Imagery, Simulation, Exhibit, Intelligent Interruption, Skit, Visual Aids, In-Basket, Nominal Group Technique, Teamwork Lecture, Puzzle, or Pyramid - The Snowball Effect. This preparatory work set the stage for knowledge-sharing and collaborative learning during the event.





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Training Sessions

During the event, participants presented their chosen facilitation methods through interactive presentations, facilitating a rich exchange of ideas and practices. Each presentation was followed by a 5-minute feedback session, promoting discussions and addressing questions regarding the presented method. The event emphasized extensive debriefing sessions for deeper reflection and practical application of the learned methods.



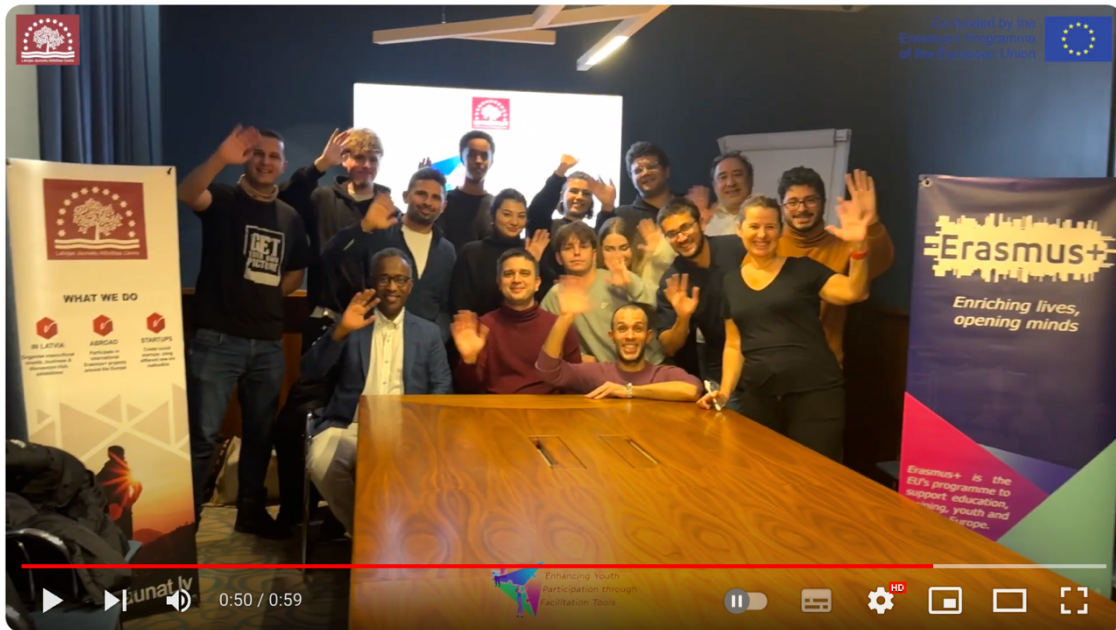


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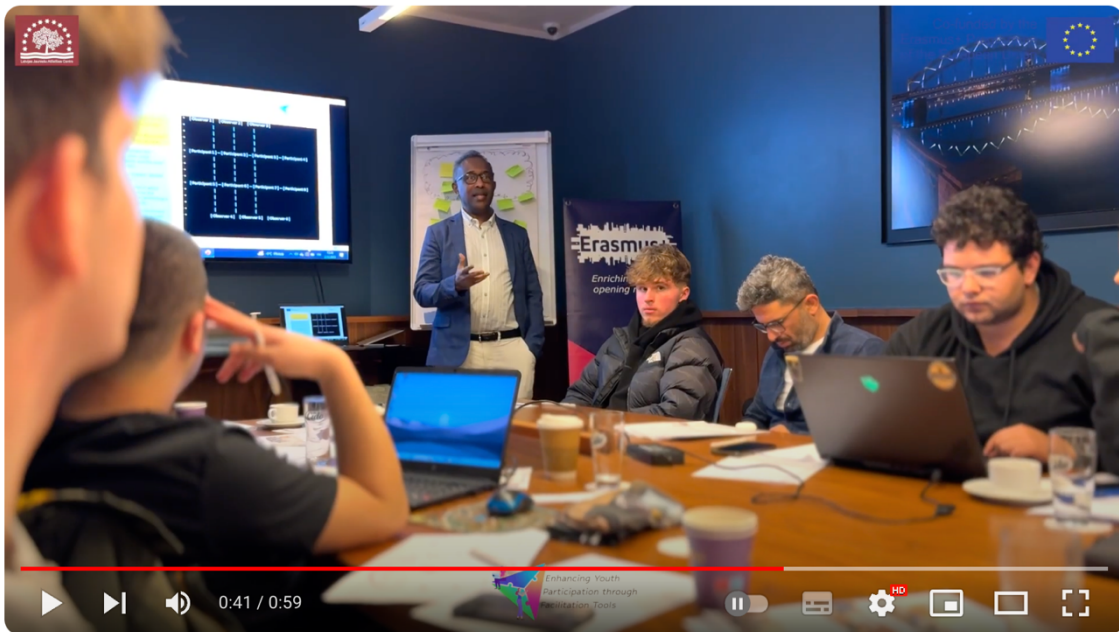
Project Video

Latvijas jauniešu attīstības centrs, as a host of the event, created a project video for Dissemination purposes, freely available on YouTube: <https://youtu.be/XQzI0jMyJjo?si=KT4iiugVqnyxKbDd>



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Outcomes and Certifications

The event was a resounding success, fulfilling all aims and objectives. At the end of the training, participants received a Youthpass certificate, acknowledging their participation and learning outcomes. Participants had the opportunity to review and improve their skills in the 8 key competencies as defined by Youthpass.





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