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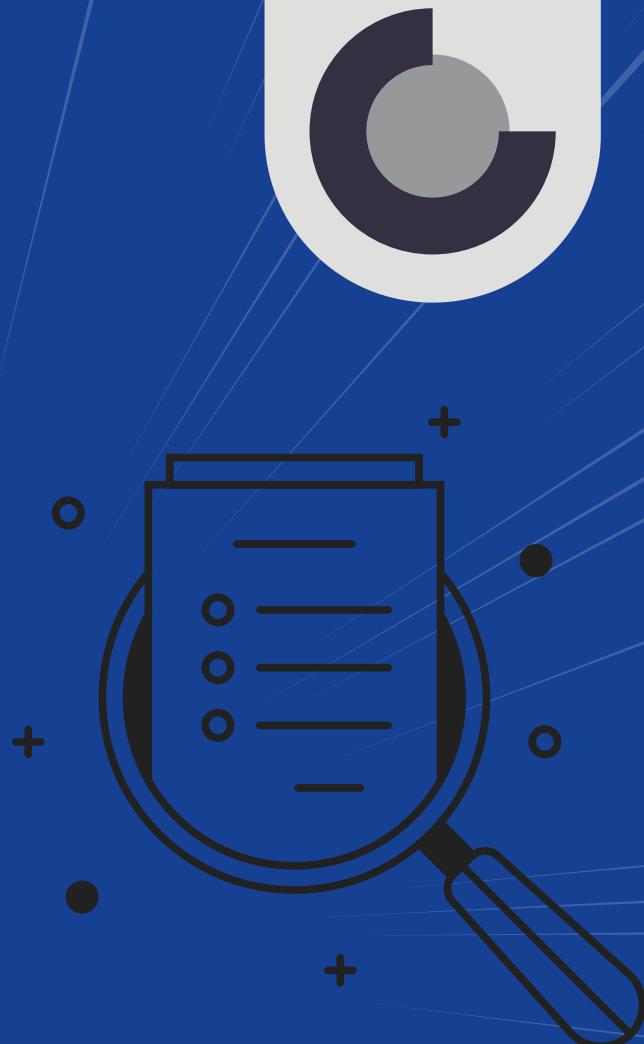
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Project Overview

The project "Youth Ambassadors of Non Formal Learning – phase 2" / **YAMNFL2** is a continuation of the successfully implemented "Youth Ambassadors of Non-Formal Learning" project implemented in a period 11/2020-05/2022, approved by the ERASMUS-YOUTH-2019-CB program.

Phase 2 involves 6 partners and 6 associate partners from the program and WB countries, which aims to build the capacities of youth through participation in non-formal education activities and the ability to recognize competencies gained outside the formal educational environment, to enhance the employability of youth through innovative methodology.



OVERVIEW





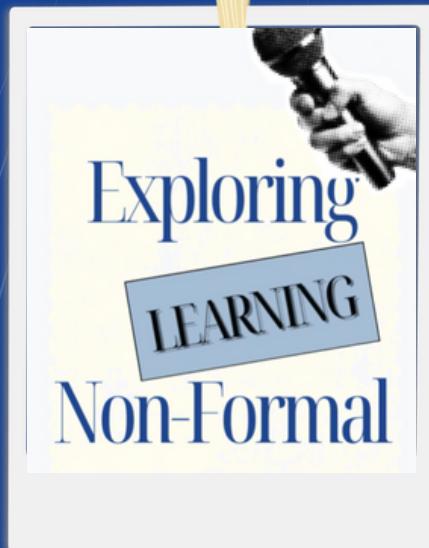
About the Booklet

The Booklet of Competencies is a tool that collects good practices and useful information regarding youth employment through non-formal education.

Inside, you'll discover engaging perspectives on the youth employment landscape across the countries included in our project

You will also have the opportunity to learn from the experiences of young people, youth workers, and stakeholders about non-formal education.

Moreover, you will be updated on the development of our project, YAMNFL2.



Introduction

The YAMNFL2 project was designed to place young people at the centre of the non-formal learning ecosystem across the Western Balkans and Europe. As the second phase of a long-term regional initiative, it brought together organisations, youth workers, and institutions committed to recognising non-formal learning as a driver of empowerment, participation, and employability.

Across two years of activities, the project supported the creation of a new generation of Youth Ambassadors able to advocate for non-formal education in their communities and translate their experiences into concrete pathways toward employment and social participation.

This final booklet concludes the series produced throughout the project's implementation. It focuses specifically on the Employment Fairs and the Dissemination Conferences organised by the consortium, highlighting their contribution to the broader impact achieved by YAMNFL2. These events marked the transition from training and capacity-building toward real opportunities for visibility, networking, and professional growth for the young people involved.

By closing the storytelling arc of the project, this booklet offers an overview of the results achieved, the testimonies collected, and the legacy that the consortium leaves for future initiatives in the region.

Final Meeting in Mostar

As part of the final project phase, the consortium held an International Partner Final Meeting in Mostar to coordinate the last activities and ensure consistency across the Employment Fairs and Dissemination Conferences. Partners reviewed progress, aligned reporting tasks, and discussed the emerging impact on youth skills and participation. The meeting helped maintain a shared approach among organisations and strengthened cooperation as YAMNFL2 moved toward its final stages.



Youth Employment Fairs



One of the key objectives of YAMNFL2 was to demonstrate how non-formal learning can open doors in the labour market.

The Youth Employment Fairs organised by the partners represented a practical and innovative way to connect young people, employers, and educational actors within environments shaped by dialogue, discovery, and mutual learning.

The events were hosted in each participating country and adapted to national contexts while maintaining a shared structure. Through the fairs, young participants had the opportunity to present their skills, engage in short mentoring conversations, receive practical advice on job search strategies, and interact directly with local companies and organisations interested in youth talent.



Employers were introduced to the value of non-formal learning as a complementary pathway to traditional education, often discovering skills in communication, adaptability, teamwork, leadership, and creativity that they actively seek in their recruitment processes.

In each location, the Youth Ambassadors played an essential role. They were responsible for supporting the logistical organisation, welcoming participants, moderating sessions, sharing their personal stories of how non-formal education shaped their personal and professional journey.

Their presence made the fairs more relatable and inspired other young people to recognise the relevance of the skills they had gained through their volunteering and community experiences.



Highlights

The fairs offered CV improvement sessions, interview simulations, mentoring corners, and presentations from employers, creating a supportive environment for young people to explore opportunities. Partners adapted the format to their national contexts, involving companies from different sectors and ensuring an inclusive and engaging experience for participants. Several young people were invited to follow-up meetings or encouraged to apply for internships and volunteering roles, while local organisations expressed interest in continuing collaboration with the Ambassadors. Overall, the events showed that interactive and youth-led spaces can meaningfully boost motivation, confidence, and access to real opportunities.



Dissemination Conferences

Each partner organised its Final Dissemination conferences, bringing together stakeholders from local authorities, educational institutions, civil society, and the labour market. The conferences highlighted the successful activities implemented in the two years of YAMNFL2, the materials produced, and the skills developed by the Ambassadors. Youth participants played an active role in presenting their experiences, reinforcing the principle that the project was not only about youth but led by youth.



Some Pictures of the activites



Impact of YAMNFL2

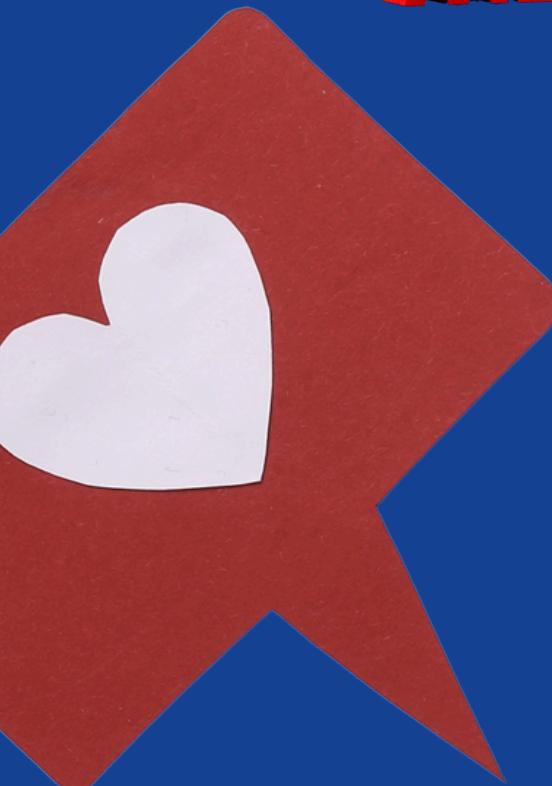
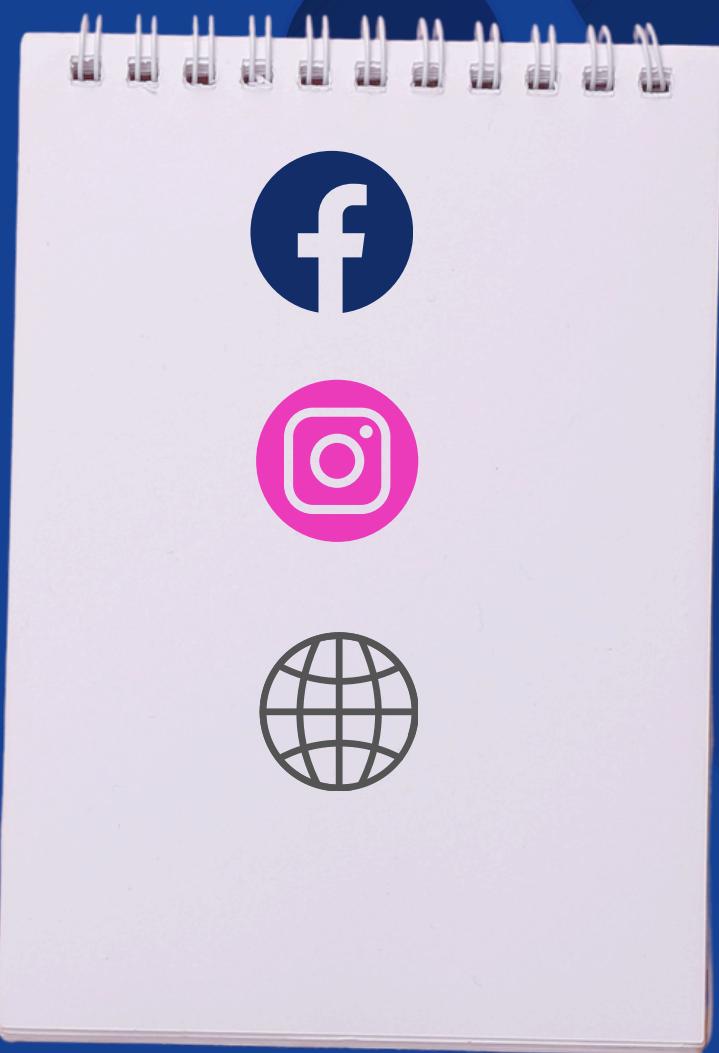
YAMNFL2 supported young people across the region strengthen essential skills such as communication, teamwork, initiative, and public speaking through peer-to-peer learning, study visits, and local trainings. These competences became particularly evident during the Employment Fairs, where many participants confidently presented their profiles, interacted with employers, and explored new possibilities for internships or first job experiences.

The project also increased the visibility of non-formal learning, encouraging institutions, organisations, and companies to recognise the value of youth work in preparing young people for today's labour market. The Dissemination Conferences further amplified this message by bringing stakeholders together and showcasing the results achieved.

At organisational level, YAMNFL2 reinforced cooperation among partners, improved their capacity to deliver youth programmes, and created tools that will continue to be used beyond the project. The Youth Ambassadors network remains active and motivated, ready to inspire other young people and continue promoting non-formal learning in their communities.



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