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EUPA ANNUAL EVENT

EUPA marked a significant milestone on December 4th, 2023, as it hosted its much-anticipated annual event, commemorating a year filled with accomplishments and advancements in the Erasmus+ and European Solidarity Corps initiatives. The annual gathering served as a platform to honour the successes attained throughout the year, acknowledging the profound impact of these programmes and the launch of Erasmus funds for year 2024. Highlighting the remarkable accomplishments of participants was the prestigious EITA Awards ceremony. This segment celebrated the exceptional contributions and innovative projects that had a profound impact on communities, fostering meaningful change through the utilisation of Erasmus+ funds. The recognition extended beyond, as certificates were presented to beneficiaries, acknowledging their dedication and commitment to realising impactful initiatives that resonate on both local and European. At the heart of this event were three pivotal workshops meticulously organised by EUPA, each delving into critical themes integral to the ethos and success of Erasmus+ and European Solidarity Corps: Greening, Inclusion, and Digitalisation. The EUPA's 2023 annual event not only commemorated achievements but also ignited a collective vision for the future—a future defined by unity, empowerment, and progress, facilitated by the dedicated commitment to these invaluable programmes.



EUPA Annual Event held on 4th December 2023 at the Xara Lodge in Rabat Malta.

#ERASMUSDAYS 2023

The 2023 edition of #ErasmusDays, which took place from October 9th to 14th, 2023, under the patronage of the European Commission and the European Parliament, provided a unique opportunity for participants in the Erasmus+ programme to showcase their projects and share experiences. The theme for this year's edition was "6 days to make Europe shine" and "6 days to promote skills throughout Europe."

Over 50 countries participated, with coordination from all Erasmus+ National Agencies across Europe and events held globally with the help of European embassies networks and local Erasmus+ project partners. Malta took part in such an event and organised 12 activities.



Europass Annual Conference, "Shaping Your Future", was held on 18th December 2023 at Xara Lodge Rabat.

EUROPASS ANNUAL CONFERENCE

The Europass Annual Conference, titled "Shaping Your Future," featured various activities and discussions to empower attendees for success. Key highlights included an interactive workshop on the 'Europass board game: The Pathway to Success', which will be widely distributed in secondary schools in 2024. Mr. Ayrton Zarb addressed education and career readiness, emphasising the need for adaptability and diverse competencies. A workshop inspired by Dr. Edward De Bono's six thinking hats' facilitated decision-making and problem-solving, equipping attendees with versatile thinking tools. The conference provided a platform for thought-provoking discussions and practical tools to shape the educational and career landscape for students and professionals.

KEY ACTION 1 PROJECT LABS

The latest Erasmus+ funding applications for 2024 have led to innovative project labs designed to help individuals and organisations navigate the application process. The Youth Information Session held on November 30th provided comprehensive information on KA1 Erasmus+ opportunities in the youth sector and solidarity projects under the European Solidarity Corps. The project lab on December 6th focused on VET, school education, adult education, and sport, focusing on the mobility of individuals. These labs also provided practical guides on creating innovative and effective project proposals, aligning with Erasmus+ objectives and criteria. Through interactive sessions and expert guidance, attendees gained a deep understanding of the application process, project management, and the importance of promoting inclusivity and diversity in their initiatives. As a result, they are now well-prepared with the necessary skills and knowledge to achieve their goals successfully, contribute to the growth and development of the Erasmus+ funds, and make a positive impact in their communities. These applications must be submitted by February 20, 2024, at noon.



**Youth Project Lab held on
30th November 2023.**



**VET, school education, adult education, and
sport, Project Lab held on 6th December 2023.**

UPCOMING KEY ACTION 2 PROJECT LABS



EUPA is set to launch a project lab on January 17, 2024, between 9 a.m. and 12 p.m. for Key Action 2 Erasmus+ Funds applications for 2024, providing a comprehensive overview and guidance for applicants and beneficiaries interested in small-scale partnerships and cooperational partnerships. The event will cover adult education, higher education, school education, vocational education and training, and youth initiatives. The insights gained from the project lab will be invaluable resources in creating outstanding, inclusive proposals that stand out in the competitive arena. EUPA's commitment to fostering collaboration, innovation, and educational excellence is evident in its efforts to empower both new and existing beneficiaries. The deadline for submitting project proposals is March 5, 2024.