



**Unidad de Educación Escolar y de Personas Adultas**

ACTIVIDAD DE COOPERACIÓN TRANSNACIONAL

**EDUCATION, PARTICIPATION, INTEGRATION – ERASMUS + AND REFUGEES**

19 and 20 APRIL 2016 ESSEN, GERMANY

Supporting Member States' efforts to face refugees and to integrate them in Europe's education systems is an urgent task in the light of the current migration crisis. The Erasmus+ programme offers innovative opportunities and best practices in which ways member states and their organisations in the fields of Vocational Education and Training (VET), Adult education (AE), Higher education (HE), School education (SE), Youth and Sport to address those issues in form of transnational projects.

In consideration of the continuing urgency the National Agency Education for Europa at the BIBB plans to host a European conference on this topic in Essen from 19th till 20th April 2016. The TCA will offer networking opportunities to selected organizations conducting innovative projects and stakeholders from all over the EU.

**Main Goals/Target group**

- Supporting institutions/organizations with facilitating the integration of refugees
- Exchange and utilization of innovative concepts from partner countries
- Increasing the visibility of European support through Erasmus+
- Target Groups: Representatives of educational institutions (higher education, vocational and adult education, school), the youth sector, local authorities, employment agencies, chambers, enterprises and further institutions and stakeholders involved in the integration of refugees into employment and education

**Thematic clusters**

- Welcoming culture: Life in and with diversity
- Guidance and validation of non-formal and informal learning outcomes and competences
- Bridges to employment
- Challenges and requirements for vocational and educational staff
- Intercultural and linguistic integration
- Civic education and Citizenship
- Personality and identity



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### DRAFT PROGRAM

19th April 2016

Moderator: N.N.

09.00 – 10.00 **Registration and refreshments**

10.00 – 10.20 **Welcome Speeches**

Klaus Fadle, NA at BIBB

Thomas Rachel, Parliamentary State Secretary to the Federal Minister of Education and Research, Federal Ministry of Education and Research (BMBF)

10.20 – 11.15 **Keynote**

*(N.N., Person of public interest)*

11.15 – 11.30 **Introduction: Workshop sessions**

Introducing the field-specific and the thematic workshops

11.30 – 11.45 *Coffee break*

11.45 – 13.15 **Parallel workshops, session 1: Field-specific workshops**

- Higher Education
- Vocational Education and Training
- Adult Education
- School Education
- Youth

13.15 – 14.15 **Lunch**

14.15 – 15.15 **Market place for projects: Projects viewing – discussion - active presentation** (Erasmus+ and the former EU programmes for lifelong learning, youth and the European cooperation programmes in higher education)

15.15 - 17.45 **Parallel workshops sessions 2: Thematic workshops**

*incl. coffee break*

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17.45 – 18.00 **Closing of the day**

19.45 **Dinner and cultural programme**



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**20<sup>th</sup> April 2016**

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09.30 – 10.00 **Keynote Speech**  
EU KOM

10.00 – 10.45 **Key statements from the workshops**  
Voting of the audience

10.45 – 11.00 *Coffee break*

11.00 – 12.15 **Panel discussion**  
**Refugees in Europe - Needs and gaps, challenges, policy learning**  
Participants: Project representatives Erasmus+, policy makers (EU KOM etc.)

12.15 – 12.30 **Concluding session**  
**The way forward**  
Statement of participants  
Klaus Fahle, NA at BIBB

12.30 – 13.30 *Social networking buffet and departure*