

Partner Infopack
Professional development activity

Seeing Differently Rethinking Discrimination in Youth Work

18 - 22 January 2027 Berlin, Germany

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Welcome

Dear partners,

we are happy to invite you to take part in our international seminar for youth workers and educators:

Seeing Differently - Rethinking Discrimination in Youth Work

Taking place from 18–22 January 2027 in Berlin, Germany, this international seminar brings together youth workers and educators from different European countries to deepen their understanding of discrimination and explore how discrimination-critical perspectives can strengthen their youth work practice.

Through peer exchange, interactive workshops and practical methods, participants will reflect on different forms of discrimination, their own social positioning and the emotional dimensions of the topic. Together, they will develop practical approaches for creating more inclusive, reflective and discrimination-critical educational spaces.

We are looking for partner organisations that share our commitment to anti-discrimination, critical and participatory youth work, and intercultural learning.

About the Project

Seeing Differently

Rethinking Discrimination in Youth Work

Discrimination shapes the ways people experience everyday life, relationships and participation. Some forms are clearly visible, while others remain subtle or go unnoticed. Understanding how discrimination works is an important step towards creating more inclusive and equitable educational spaces.

During this seminar, participants from different European countries will explore questions such as:

- How does discrimination shape young people's everyday lives?
- How are different forms of discrimination connected and experienced?
- What role do our own perspectives and social positions play in youth work?
- How can we develop more discrimination-critical approaches in our educational practice?

Using Berlin as a learning space, participants will exchange experiences from different contexts, reflect on their own practice and explore practical methods for addressing discrimination in youth work.

Objectives

By participating in this seminar, participants will:

- deepen their understanding of different forms of discrimination and how they shape everyday life;
- critically reflect on their own perspectives, social positioning and professional practice;
- explore how different forms of discrimination intersect and influence one another;
- discover practical methods for discrimination-critical youth work;
- exchange experiences and approaches with youth workers from different European contexts;
- reflect on how to create more inclusive, participatory and equitable learning environments;
- develop ideas for transferring discrimination-critical approaches into their own educational practice.

Educational Approach

Jugendbildungsstätte Kaubstraße works from a political education perspective that is critical of power structures and committed to anti-discrimination.

Our educational approach is based on:

- participation;
- dialogue and peer learning;
- reflection and critical thinking;
- diversity of perspectives;
- situated and experiential learning;
- learning through exchange and collaboration.

The programme combines:

- interactive workshops;
- group discussions and reflection exercises;
- practical methods for discrimination-critical youth work;
- city-based learning and exploration;
- intercultural exchange activities;
- collaborative work on transferring approaches to participants' own practice.

Participants are not expected to have prior expertise in anti-discrimination education. The most important requirements are curiosity, openness and a willingness to reflect on one's own perspectives, engage with new ideas and actively contribute to the learning process.

Participant Profile

We are looking for participants who:

- are active in youth work or related educational fields;
- are interested in political education and its relevance for young people;
- are curious about different perspectives, methods and approaches to discrimination;
- are willing to actively participate in an international group and share their experiences;
- are open to discussing complex and sometimes challenging historical and social topics.

Previous experience in political education is welcome but not required. The most important requirements are curiosity, openness and a willingness to learn collaboratively.

We especially encourage the participation of practitioners who are often less represented in international mobility programmes.

Group Size

The seminar will bring together approximately 25–30 participants from different European countries.

Each partner organisation is invited to send 2 participants (depending on the final group composition).

We aim to create a diverse and balanced group with regard to gender, backgrounds and professional experiences.

Dates and Location

Dates:

18-22 January 2027

Arrival:

18 January 2027

Departure:

22 January 2027

Location

Jugendbildungsstätte Kaubstraße
Kaubstraße 9–10
10713 Berlin
Germany

The youth education centre is located in Berlin-Wilmersdorf and offers seminar rooms, shared accommodation, a garden and spaces for learning and exchange.

Accommodation

Participants will stay directly at Jugendbildungsstätte Kaubstraße.

Rooms are shared and usually accommodate:
4–7 people per room

Rooms include:

- beds
- wardrobes
- washbasins
- bed linen
- Wi-Fi access

Bathrooms and showers are shared and located on the floors.

We encourage international room arrangements whenever possible, as shared living is an important part of intercultural learning.

Food

All meals during the seminar are provided.

Our kitchen team prepares vegetarian meals including:

- breakfast
- warm lunch
- dinner

Drinking water, tea and coffee are available throughout the day.

We can accommodate dietary requirements such as:

- vegan diets
- allergies
- intolerances
- religious dietary requirements

Please inform us about dietary needs during the registration process.

Accessibility & Support

We want everyone to be able to participate as comfortably as possible.

Participants can inform us about individual needs related to:

- mobility
- hearing or vision
- neurodiversity
- health
- medication
- dietary requirements
- mental wellbeing
- language support
- quiet spaces

Our team is available throughout the week for questions, concerns and individual support.

Important Information about the building

Kaubstraße is a historic villa from the 1920s.
The building has some accessibility limitations:

- no elevator
- stairs at the entrance
- several floors
- not wheelchair accessible

Please inform us as early as possible if participants have mobility-related needs.



Travel & Costs

The seminar is funded through the Erasmus+ programme as a Professional Development Activity.

The project covers:

- accommodation
- food
- programme activities
- local programme-related transport
- learning materials

Travel costs are reimbursed according to Erasmus+ travel rules.

Participants should keep all travel documents and tickets.

The exact reimbursement process will be coordinated with each partner organisation.

Partner Responsibilities

Partner organisations are responsible for:

- selecting motivated participants
- supporting participants before departure
- sharing practical information with participants
- supporting travel arrangements
- informing the organisers about accessibility, health or dietary needs

Partners are encouraged to select participants who will actively engage with the topic and contribute to the international group.

Registration Process

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Each partner organisation should collect participant information and send the final participant list to Jugendbildungsstätte Kaubstraße.

Participants will be asked to provide:

- personal information
- emergency contact
- dietary requirements
- accessibility needs
- language information
- expectations and interests regarding the topic
- photo consent

We collect this information not out of curiosity, but to prepare the programme and create the best possible conditions for everyone.

Contact

For questions regarding the seminar:

Jugendbildungsstätte Kaubstraße

Educational Team

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We are looking forward to working with you

We are excited to create this international learning experience together with our partners and participants.

Thank you for joining us in creating a space where practitioners can exchange perspectives, explore historical learning and develop new ideas for their educational practice.

See you in Berlin!