Info pack for short-term joint staff training

Peer assisted learning in practice

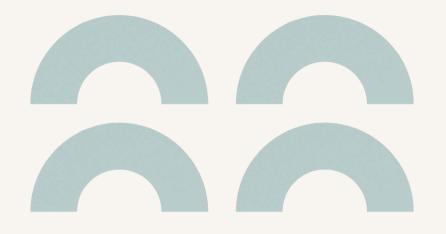
Training Course | 23 March - 1 April 2023 Amarante, Portugal











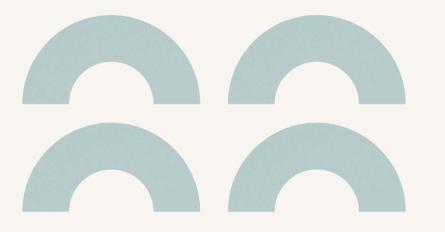
iPEER in practice - Short-term joint staff training is a **10 day long** training to test the main outputs from the iPEER methodology and curriculum development:

- iPEER methodology for peer-assisted learning
- iPEER **Open Educational Resources** focused on the three pilot VET sectors automation, life sciences, and computer science.
- iPEER inventory and repository.

This training will provide the guiding principles, methods and approaches to be used by all partner countries, but also for transnational training sessions, having an impact on partners' staff and pilot participants, as they will be trained in the iPEER PAL methodology. Through the training, participants will improve their knowledge on peer-assisted learning, and how to conduct classes in-school or outside, by using the tools of the iPEER inventory.

All participants will go through various educational activities, gamified modules, and assessment and evaluation procedures. The participants will prototype a pilot approbation session, which would be conducted at month 16 of the project implementation.

About the Participants



The participants will represent the target groups: primarily people who have experience in the development of pedagogical methodologies or have teaching and training practice and expertise (teachers & educators in the public or private sector).

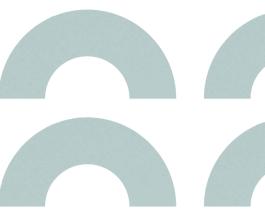
The recruitment will be conducted by the iPEER network, based on the following criteria:

- Interest in the field;
- Relevant experience, knowledge and expertise;
- Availability to take part in the 10 days training;
- Administrative coverage all necessary documents have been sent timely;
- Be a representative of one of the main stakeholder groups, as well as a member of the iPEER consortium.
- An appropriate level of English competencies, C1.

All participants will get access to the iPEER cloud-based interactive platform and the shared folder with materials, prior to the training.

All participants will receive a **certificate of attendance**, issued by AMC, and 4.0F as well as a **Europass mobility certificate**, which will legitimize the knowledge and skills acquired from the trainees during the learning activity in Amarante, Portugal.

PROGRAM (draft version)



	DAY 1 23 mar. THU	DAY 2 24 mar. FRI	DAY 3 25 mar. SAT	DAY 4 26 mar. SUN	DAY 5 27 mar. MON	DAY 6 28 mar. TUE	DAY 7 29 mar. WED	DAY 8 30 mar. THU	DAY 9 31 mar. FRI	DAY 10 1 apr. SAT
BREAKFAST	ARRIVALS	CJ	CJ	CJ	cJ	CJ	ದ	CJ	3	DEPARTURES
MORNING (9h00 - 13h00)		INTRO SESSION	PAL (4 modules)	NATURE ACTIVITIES	SUPPORTING TECHNIQUES (3 working rooms)	FREE DAY IN PORTO	AUTONOMOUS WORK (3 working rooms)	SHARING RESULTS	NEXT STEPS	
		PAL (2 modules)								
LUNCH (13h00 - 14h30)		CJ	CJ	CJ	CJ	LUNCH AT PORTO	CJ	CJ	ಚ	
AFTERNOON (14h30 - 17h30)		PAL (3 modules)	PAL (3 modules)	SUPPORTING TECHNIQUES (3 working rooms)	SUPPORTING TECHNIQUES (3 working rooms)	FREE DAY IN PORTO	AUTONOMOUS WORK (3 working rooms)	SHARING RESULTS	EVALUATION	
FREE TIME (17h30 - 19h30)										
DINNER (19h30 - 21h30)	Dinner Together	CJ	CJ	CJ	CJ	PORTO or CJ	CJ	CJ	DINNER OUT	
EVENING (21h30)	Welcoming	Free Evening	Free Evening	Activity to Define	Activity to Define	Free Evening	TESTING SESSION (with Vounteers)	Free Evening	Farewell	

Who is the host?

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Aventura Marão Clube is a local, non-profit and civil law association created in 1993 by a group of young people from Amarante with the aim of promoting healthy lifestyles among the population (especially young people) of Amarante. It currently has more than 400 members and has 3 active sections: Mountain Biking, Canoeing and Fair Trade. In 1999, opened the 1st Portuguese Fair Trade store and, since 2008 runs the Youth Centre/ Hostel (CJ Amarante), through which it has coordinated more than 150 projects, mainly European, and involved around 5,000 young people in volunteering and participation activities. It is therefore very committed to promoting Europe and its values in the local youth community.

AMC's pillars:

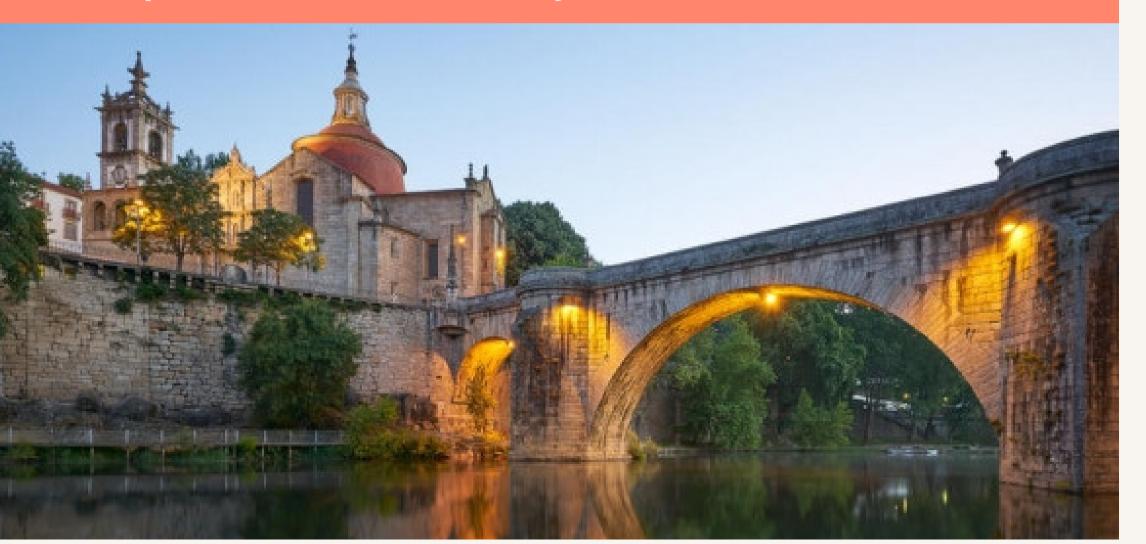
- a) Healthy lifestyles (food and sport)
- b) Sustainable development (in terms of organic production, local consumption and Fair Trade)
- c) Education for Human Rights
- d) Initiative and creativity
- e) Intercultural dialogue, especially with partners outside Europe: Africa and the Caucasus



About Amarante

Amarante is a historical city in northern Portugal with a huge natural and building heritage, the city cultural and artistic tradition made Amarante a Creative city of UNESCO network. With 56 thousand inhabitants, Amarante is the municipality with the biggest area of the Porto district.

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How to reach us

Amarante is located around 60 km away from Porto. Which means the easiest way for you to reach us is by travelling to Oporto Airport. From there we will arrange your transport to Amarante.



If impossible to fly to the suggested airport we can find other solutions;)



Welcome to Casa da Juventude de Amarante

In 2008 we started to manage the local youth centre/hostel (CJ Amarante) a study case project as we were the first private body managing a public equipment in Portugal and by that we created an initial strategy (support local youth initiatives to approach youngsters to our values; develop mobility and participation projects; offer accommodation and food services.) AMC has recently received the quality label for ESC and Erasmus+ accreditation for Youth (that intends to systematise our performance in terms of mobility of young people and workers in the youth area) with regard to the themes that we defined in our strategy for the next decade:

- Values (practicing the values and principles we preach);
- **Sustainability** (activate the local community and contribute to reducing the ecological footprint and combating climate change);
- **Education** (how to train citizens more aware of their rights and responsibilities and with a more global, tolerant and solidarity view of the world around them);
- **Collaboration** (how to develop partnerships that allow closer and more sustained cooperation between different actors in society).



Accomodation and facilities

Between our own facilities and together with other lodging partners in Amarante, Casa da Juventude offers accommodation in **shared** or **single rooms**, as per your convenience, including breakfast, lunch, dinner, coffee breaks, airport transfer, kayak experience and one cultural trip (most probably Porto). The group of participants is free to use our facilities (training rooms, internet, etc.).

















CODE of CONDUCT

This code of conduct is a free will agreement and reflects the wish and responsibility of all partners involved. Under this code of conduct we agree to respect Erasmus+ rules and our partnership should be based on clear, accountable and honest communication processes. All partners should be ready for compromise and to discuss obstacles and different points of view but always respecting fundamental values and principles and actively cooperate under agreed deadlines and tasks.

SHOW RESPECT FOR

THE ENVIRONMENT BY

Keeping noise to a reasonable level and observing sensible sleep times; Not harming or causing harm to animals, trees and plants; Leaving the site in the same condition you found it.

THE FACILITIES BY

Using all equipment considerately and carefully; Smoking only on designated areas; Using the waste bins provided and not dropping litter; Not wilfully damaging or defacing property.

ALL OTHER PEOPLE ONSITE BY

Acting courteously to all people and respect different cultures and beliefs; Behaving appropriately whether supervised or unsupervised; Reporting any suspicious people or activities; Understanding that aggression either verbal or physical will not be tolerated.

THE PROGRAM BY

Being on time to start the program activities; Not using your mobile phone during the project activity time; Not being late for breakfast, lunch and dinner.

Simple Rules



Drugs and alcohol:

Drugs are not permitted at any Equação project. If someone is found to be using illegal drugs, there will be action taken. Alcohol is not permitted if you are under 18 and no alcohol is allowed during activities, including meals. Alcohol is also not permitted in the rooms or any other space inside the Youth Center except the bar.



Smoking:

It is not allowed to smoke inside the building. There are dedicated smoking areas outside so please only smoke in these areas. Smoking is forbidden in the rooms, including the balconies.



Litter:

Be aware what littering if forbidden. Help the staff on site by keeping the area clean and presentable at all times. This includes the grounds, accommodations, working and eating room. Use the bins provided and notify the staff if you need assistance.



Co-existence:

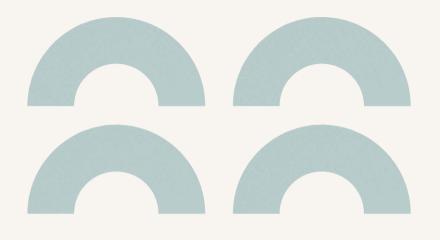
There may be a considerable number of different people from all over the world, including children, using the site at one period of time. Please follow the guidelines given out by Equação team and be considerate and respectful to other users of the site, including staff members.

What to pack

- Your own hygiene products
- At the youth center we have towels that you can use (you have to leave a 5€ fee that will be given back to you when you return the towel).
- Comfortable shoes
- Comfortable clothes
- Be aware that in this time of the year can get cold and rainy, so bring something warm and, if possible, waterproof.



About the project

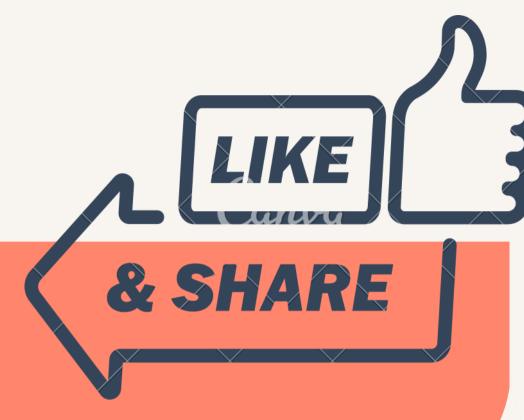


While entering a post-crisis world, and facing the needs of multipurpose professionals, this project aims to expand the baseline of skills, knowledge and values for STEM VET learners, by establishing well-structured and effective **peer learning circles**, using a **variety of methods**. It focuses on **broadening learning opportunities** by introducing cutting-edge **methods**, e.g. **peer-to-peer learning**, **peer tutoring and innovative pedagogy**, and thus boosting the quality of the learning experience in VET professional schools and centres.

iPeer, thus, aims to:

- Establish new and unique methods for digitized peer-assisted learning in and outside school premises.
- Implement a new model for learning stimulation, e.g. peer-tutoring or cooperative learning to cover the knowledge gap generated by the hyper-accelerated post-crisis technological society;
- Enhance the active and intended usage of new pedagogical methods by the students, e.g. peer-to-peer learning, tutoring, flipped classroom, project-based learning, etc.
- Evolve the role of the Alumni clubs and Bright learners in-school societies by assigning a new teaching role to the students, hence improving the knowledge base of the younger generation
- Reduce the number of early leaving VET learners via boosting early warning systems in the partner countries as defined by EQAVET, and implementing indicator #4, i.e. the completion rate in STEM VET targeted programs: the number of persons having successfully completed/abandoned VET programs, according to the type of programs and the individual criteria.

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