

Get Active! Human Rights Education among Young People

“We enjoyed working with people and going out into the community. We gained some experience in planning, organisation, human rights activism and events connected to it. We can’t wait to try what we have learned when we go back home.”

“The activities and the discussions were very useful for my practical experience in the field of Human Rights”

“[It was] A very diverse group. I think we can learn a lot from each other.”

“I would use the practical approach while teaching others about Human Rights”

“We liked the opportunity to reflect about oppression from different perspectives and to learn more about the meaning of oppression and how it can change depending on the individual and societal/cultural perspective. The group discussion was very interesting and thought provoking.”

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Aims and objectives of the training were:

- To promote and learn about Human Rights among young people
- To promote peace and fight against anti-hate speeches
- To empower young Human Rights activists with skills, knowledge and necessary competences to implement good quality projects on HR & Peace

- To raise awareness on human right violations in our societies
- To promote human rights within local and international voluntary projects
- to help young people develop their initiatives on Human Rights
- To give youth organisations methods on how to promote human rights within their existing projects
- to have fruitful debates and learning about HR & Peace projects among young people from all over Europe

Grenzenlos is running international projects and exchanges since several years. In 2014 and 2015 we were running 3 training courses on civil courage and noticed that the words “human rights” are well known but not what it means for individuals and for the daily life.

Because of this experience we decided to organize a 6-day training course on how to promote and teach human rights among young people who are active in local voluntary projects. The participants were volunteers whose field of action involves work camps, local refugee projects and educational programmes among others. The volunteers were introduced to practical and creative methods to tackle and stand up against violations of Human Rights and learned about different techniques to implement initiatives regarding the topic.

YouTube **Video “What does Human Rights mean for you”**
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=BJ7pXp5YjAM>

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