

REFUGEE INTEGRATION PROJECT

TAKING A CENTRE-STAGE ROLE AGAIN - 2ND EDITION_2018



OBJECTIVE

Formulating a shared working network project for asylum seekers in the shelters, fostering a real and fertile linguistic, cultural and professional integration process.

For the purposes of facilitating the efficacy of the work project steps have been fixed which are designed to channel participant involvement and self-aware and sincerely motivated participation.

If the motivational end point is the hours of work experience which participants will be doing at local firms, the contexts brought into the project range from generic to sector language learning, professional and socio-interpersonal skills to knowledge of the local area and services facilitating artistic expression of a new belonging situation.

Participants attending at least 80% of the language and theory modules will be eligible for work experience.

NETWORK PARTNERS

Provincia autonoma di Bolzano

- The Bilingualism and Foreign Languages Office Italian Culture Section
- Ongoing Education Office German Culture Section
- Ongoing education at work
- Professional Guidance Service
- Formazione Professionale italiana, Progetto Antoine
- Office for the Elderly and the Social Districts

Tertiary sector bodies

- The Voltaire language agency
- Associazione di educazione permanente CLS
- Soc. Coop. Akkrat
- Caritas
- Associazione Donne Nissà
- The Palladio language agency

Professionals

- Ivo Corrà - Photographer
- The Voltaire language mediators

As the project develops participants will be divided up by language level, above all in the light of the fact that level A2 is required to access professional training courses to ensure understanding of their contents.

In March a **level A1** course began with 15 people including the following modules:

	A1 activities	Hours	Organised by
1	Language learning	20	Voltaire
2	Sector learning - ad hoc -	20	Voltaire
3	Citizenship education	10	ClS
4	Language-photography joint project	2	Voltaire
5	Health and safety at work; workplace rights and duties	4	Professional training
6	Ivo Corrà photography trajectory	20	ClS
8	Professional training courses - Pizza making - Basic cooking course - Home help - Tailoring	18	ClS
9	Language mediation	72	Voltaire
10	Speak to me... in Italian	10	Palladio
11	Work experience for those who have attended 80% of the modules.	200	Professional guidance/Antoine

In September a second group will start for 10 young people whose language skills are **level A2** and who will take part in a mechanics workshop techniques course lasting 90 hours designed ad hoc by the professional training team.

These are the modules planned:

	A2 activities	Hours	Organised by
1	Language learning	20	Voltaire
2	Citizenship education	4	ClS
3	Language-photography joint project	2	Voltaire
4	Ivo Corrà photography trajectory	20	ClS
5	Territorial meetings and counselling service meeting	4	ClS
6	Mechanics workshop techniques course - Sector language - Health and safety at work basics	90	Professional training
7	Language mediation	12	Voltaire
8	Health and safety at work		Professional training
9	Speak to me... in Italian	10	Palladio
10	Work experience for those who have attended 80% of the modules.	200	Professional guidance/Antoine

If more than 10 people sign up for the course a Hamet 2F practical and social skills test session will be held, in conjunction with the AKRAT social co-operative in Bolzano.

METHODS AND CONTENTS

Personalised guidance: individual relationship of trust, acquaintanceship and consultancy between course attendees and project tutor (Marion Rottensteiner, Caritas);

Territorial meetings: visits to local service bodies and associations identified specially for the target group involved, to increase attendees' knowledge of the area and introduce them to it. Parallel examination of 'collective' themes such as hygiene, sexuality, parenthood, etc.

Photography course: "Seeing ourselves through other people's eyes". The course will use photography's expressive and narrative potential for language purposes, targeting a self-aware use of photography for the production and re-working of images combined with text generation. A return to citizenship: a public exhibition of the work at Centro Trevi.

Speak to me... in Italian: a language volunteering project in which a volunteer offers 10 hours of conversation to recipients, in a pleasant informal context. All participants wishing to do so can practice language in the everyday context, reinforcing learning to the advantage of social integration.