

# Overview

# CINEMA FOR REFUGEES SOCIAL INCLUSION

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### **Partnership**

#### **Applicant & Coordinator Partners**



**Portugal** 







The Slovenian
Third Age University

Slovenia



Italy



Greece

**Duration**: 26 months (01/11/2016 -



## **Objective**

To offer an innovative cinema-based **Pack** to encourage intercultural dialogue, combat discrimination against refugees and promote their social inclusion.

Cinema is used as a tool for breaching stereotypes and portraying actual and inspiring life stories of well-included former refugees acting as role models for the newcomers' social inclusion



### **Innovative Approach**

Crossing research, cinema and AE,

RefugeesIN is:

anchored by creative and transformative learning processes

proposing a new multicultural learning process mediated by cinema and filmaking practice

offering an interactive website, the basis for a community of practice



### Target groups

- Adult educators and AE providers
- Staff & civil society organisations
- Anyone interested in more cohesive and inclusive societies
- Startups in educational and social economy sectors





## Refugee

Persons who owing to well-founded fear of being persecuted for reasons of race, religion, nationality, membership of a particular social group or political opinion, are outside their country of nationality or habitual residence and unable to return there owing to serious and indiscriminate threats to life, physical integrity or freedom resulting from generalised violence or events seriously disturbing public order.

**UNHCR** 



### **Social Inclusion**

Social inclusion is the process of improving the conditions in which individuals and groups participate in society. It is the process of improving the capabilities, opportunity and dignity of those who are disadvantaged based on their identity.

Social inclusion is multidimensional and affects many domains of life. Integration processes do not act independently of one another.



### Social Inclusion (Heckmann, F., 2001)

Social Inclusion as a multidimensional construct with four

dimensions:

Structural

- Success on employment or occupation
- Mobility
- Knowledge of fundamental rights
- Stable legal status
- Social security
- Access to facilities and services

Cultural

#### Domain of the host language

- Bicultural identity
- Recognition of values and norms of the host society
- Appreciation for refugee cultures
- Interreligious dialogue

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# Social

- Association in organisations /NGOs
- Friendships, contacts, meetings with various societal groups, as well as refugees

Personal

- Participation, affiliation, desire for identification
- Acceptance of the laws and constitution of the host country
- Equal rights and opportunities



### Role Model

• A *role model* is a person whose behaviour, example or success is or may be imitated by others.

 Individuals compare with reference groups of people who occupy the social role to which they aspire.



# Role Model Attributes (Price-Mitchell, 2010)



Passion and ability to inspire



Well-defined set of values



**Commitment to the Community** 



**Altruism and acceptance of others** 



**Ability to overcome obstacles** 



# Why films?

We thrill with films because we are empath

Transformative Learning /Learning environment (Mezirow, 2002)	Films
Self-biographical narratives - narrated and shared in a group	
Identification of "disorienting dilema" – a life crisis or major life transition	Real-life histories – role
Identification with characters - empathy	modelling
Critical reflection and group dialogue	
Planning a course of action	Depicting real characters
Building confidence in new ways and Implementing plans	
Experimenting with new roles	Showing options and

Bynducommunity of learners trying to make meaning of their life experience, and through processes of sharing, identification and critical reflection, learners are empowered towards the future





#### **Activities:**

Beta tests: Brochure; Catalogue; Course and Guide:

#### Focus groups:

Confirmation and narrowing the list of selected feature films;

2nd test audience screening of the short documentaries films at 4th project meeting, with Greece EPE representatives and pilot action participants



Interested parties, by each partner, for assessment purposes and recommendations. Representatives from the refugees/asylum seekers communities, adult education and staff from civil society organisations (NGOs) and cinema experts to be available to consult in consideration of the different outputs for a certain period of time.

Total: 84 persons (14\*6 partners)



# **Intellectual Outputs**

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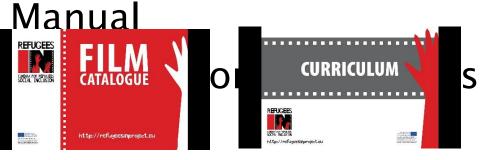
Brochure: Real life stories – from escape to

belonging

Film Catalogue: Feature length films & Documentaries

RefugeesIN Course: Curriculum and learning













### **Brochure**

#### What similarities?

- All interviewees had a strong willingness to learn
- They are claiming their right to become a part of society
- They have a desire to get into contact with the new society and they allow to be helped
- They are all active members of society and setting themselves new aims
- They show resilience and perseverance in facing obstacles



26 stories of Refugees and their paths to inclusion



## Film Catalogue





12 feature length films selected, representing positive role models to help inspire other Refugees on their journey to social inclusion

(factsheets & trailers)



12 short documentary films produced by participants who completed the 100 hour RefugeesIN Pilot Action.

(factsheets & trailers & full films)



# Film Catalogue: Feature Length Films

Fatima, 2015, by Phillipe Faucon

**Dhepan**, 2015, by Jacques Audiard

African Doctor, 2016, by Julian Rambaldi

Persepolis, 2007, by Vincent Paronnaud & Marjane Satrap

Lampedusa in Berlin, 2015, by Mauro Mondello

Willkommen Bei Den Hartmanns!, 2016, by Simon Verhoeven

Das Klnd, 2010, by Yonathan Levy

The Story of Sir Nichilas Winton, 2016, by Matej Minac

Monsier Lahzar, 2011, by Philippe Falardeau

Terraferma, 2011, by Emanuele Crialese

Mediterranea, 2015, by Jonas Carpignano

First Snowfall, 2013, by Andrea Segre





# Film Catalogue: Short Documentaries Films

One Last Hug // Marijana (SL)

Daud // Amanhã é Melhor (PT)

On Air // Nasruddin (GR)

Migration // The Journey (IE)

ANAS // SIPAN (DE)

La Mia Storia // Bicabornato di Carcio (IT)

#### **Trailers**

https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list

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#### **Full documentaries**

https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLgBK-3D0M61f95ee5ONS0PM6kfMedXYn3

Subtitled in PT; SL; GR; EN; DE and IT



#### Curriculum

Intended to the Adult Education (AE) providers and Civil Society (CS) organisations.

#### <u>Manual</u>

Addressed to Learners

### Course





#### WHAT?

An innovative learning opportunity to empowering, extending and developing adult educators' **competencies**, for assisting their role in meeting the needs of refugees/asylum seekers.

#### WHY?

- To prevent and combat radicalization and promote refugees/asylum seekers' social inclusion.
- To stimulate **critical thinking**, increasing level of digital competence and research for a greater understanding and responsiveness to social, ethnic, linguistic and cultural diversity.

#### **HOW**

- · Multicultural learning process and learning experience mediated by cinema and filmmaking practice
- Use of creative processes and interactions, proposing a new multicultural learning process focusing on the narratives of social inclusion.



# **RefugeesIN Course**

### **Modules**

Module 1: Let's get into the RefugeesIN Course

Module 2: Social Inclusion in the EU: crisis, policies, models and achievements

Module 3: Real life Stories: self-biographical narratives and in-depth interviews

Module 4: Cinema for Social Inclusion (debating RefugeesIN selected feature

length films)

**Module 5**: Documentary Filmmaking

Unit 1: The documentary as a cinematographic expression

Unit 2: Argument writing

**Unit 3: Directing** 

Unit 4: Production

Unit 5: Technical equipment;

Unit 6: Editing



Module 6: Cinema Workshop (production of two short documentaries in group)



# **RefugeesIN Pilot Actions**

Participants went through research, film screening and critical debate, culminating in the completion of 12 <u>RefugeesIN Short Documentaries Films</u> on real inclusive life stories.

All modules/units provided a practical component for applying the learning made to the development of roots and strategies for refugees social inclusion in EU.





Participants, during Face to Face Sessions, screened and debated feature films, reflecting on social inclusion in the EU.

In Cinema Workshops, they scripted, produced, directed, acted and edited the <u>RefugeesIN Short Documentaries films</u>

the **Course** has been tested and reviewed, during Pilot Actions carried out by the Consortium, with representatives the target groups



### Guide

RefugeesIN Guide combines the three previous assets (Brochure, Film Catalogue and Course). Useful for anyone who wants to use flexibly the RefugeesIN Pack.



1<sup>st</sup> Part: guidelines for facilitators in using and implementing the Course

2<sup>nd</sup> Part: suggestions of the assets of the Pack to be used in further learning activities and events



### **Conferences & Film Festivals**

The events aimed to exploiting the RefugeesIN approach, methodologies and Pack, debating and showcase what can be done with cinema and collaborative multicultural work to promote effective citizenship for all.

Primarily addressed to educators, animators, education and social staff into formal and non-formal environments, intervening in the mediation and implementation of actions aimed at public (refugees / asylum seekers) in risk of social exclusion.

But also addressed to other interested stakeholders and representative of the





### When?

JAN – JUN 2017: Brochure

Real-life successful inclusion stories of former refugees

#### JAN 2017 – FEB 2018: Film Catalogue

Feature length films and short documentaries

**JUN 2017 – FEB 2018: Course** 

Shooting the short documentaries

JAN – JUN 2018: Guide

Recommendations for the best use of the Pack assets

MAR – APR 2018: Promotional Seminars

**JUL 2018: Delivery of the FINAL Package** 

OCT – NOV 2018: Conferences & Film Festivals



### **Contacts**

#### FB Page:

https://www.facebook.com/ProjectRefugeesIN

#### **Twitter Page:**

https://twitter.com/ProjRefugeesIN

#### YouTube Page:

https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCzV1TFUqO67 vG0diQ7mk3QA



http://refugeesinproject.eu

