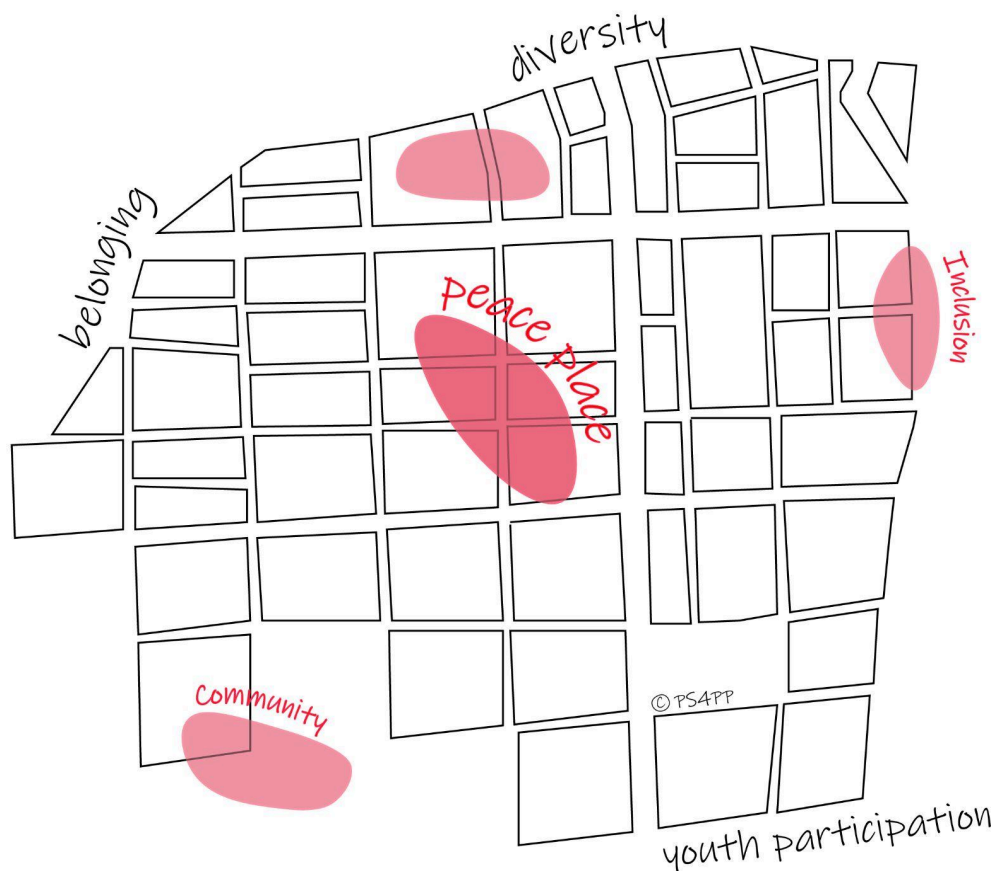


Youth Facilitators of Chania - Infopack - PS4PP



PS4PP Summary

The 'Public Spaces for Peace Places' (PS4PP) is a cross-national research and educational program funded by the European Union through the Erasmus+ KA220-YOU program, spanning three years (2024-2026). Partners include Fryshuset from Sweden, Rauhankasvatusinstituutti from Finland as the project leader, and Evolving Cycles from Greece. This initiative aims to empower young people aged 13-30, in Chania, particularly those with fewer opportunities, by providing them with the tools and skills to collaboratively research, plan, design, and present inclusive proposals for small-scale ephemeral interventions in public spaces in collaboration with local stakeholders and the neighborhood. The project is structured into two implementation cycles. Each cycle begins with the training of 8 youth facilitators by mentors. Following this training, the youth facilitators lead a series of workshops within their youth groups, supported by the mentors throughout the process. The cycle concludes with participants exhibiting their proof of concepts in public events. The project focuses on key themes such as inclusion, safety, peace, accessibility, active citizenship, youth work, participatory processes, and youth empowerment.

Role description

We are seeking motivated individuals who are respected and trusted within their communities, especially those who empower people from less-privileged backgrounds. Ideal facilitators should have:

- **Intrinsic Motivation:** A strong personal drive and a clear vision for their role as a facilitator.
- **Facilitation Potential:** A willingness to develop facilitation skills, even if initially inexperienced.
- **Commitment:** Full engagement with the program's duration and objectives.
- **Language Skills:** Competency in both Greek and English, able to communicate and write effectively.
- **Age Requirement:** Between 19 - 30 years old, aligning with our youth engagement strategy.
- **Inclusivity:** Ability to foster a welcoming environment, respecting diverse perspectives and backgrounds.
- **Emotional Regulation:** Skill in managing emotions, ensuring a supportive environment for all participants.
- **Connection with local youth communities:** Resident of the city of Chania and part of local youth groups especially the ones with less opportunities.

Project's Timeline

2024			2025				
Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	April	May
Local Training	Youth Groups Workshops				Proof of Concepts		Trip in Helsinki

Local Training*:

The program offers to youth facilitators 40 hours* of in-depth training on group facilitation and participatory processes, honing essential skills such as inclusive leadership, consensual decision making, team building, constructive feedback, self reflection, need mapping, participatory design and more. It aims to cultivate values like peace, inclusion, belonging, safety, and empathy within youth groups and local communities.

- **1 info day for the PS4PP project** 20 September 24'
- **3 days Group Facilitation training** 4-6 October 24'
- **3 days Spatial Training** 18-20 October 24'

Youth Groups Workshops

Conducting a series of workshops for local youth groups, facilitated by newly trained youth facilitators with the support of youth mentors. The program offers 40 hours of workshops and meetings, spanning 3-4 months, with weekly workshops of 2 hours each tailored to each youth group's needs. Smaller teams within the groups will be encouraged to create 'peace place' proof-of-concepts as the output of the workshop series.

- **Workshop Implementation Period:** November 2024 - February 2025**
- **Facilitation:** Youth Facilitators in pairs will guide the workshops for their local youth group (10-16 members per group).

- **Support:** Facilitators will be supported by mentors through monthly group meetings, couple meetings, and one-on-one meetings as needed.
- **Workshop Content:** Sessions will be based on the “Peace Places Methodology,” which can be adapted to the facilitators' skills and the unique characteristics and needs of the youth groups.
- **Compensation:** Each youth facilitator will receive 565.85 euros*** (€15.5/hour) for the implementation of workshops through the Greek organisation Evolving Cycles.

Proof of Concepts

At the end of the workshops, Youth groups will finalize and present their Proof of Concepts during internal or public events. The participation of Youth Facilitators in the events is optional, including mentoring and supporting their local youth groups.

Trip in Helsinki:

Youth facilitators' travel to Helsinki to share all their knowledge and create the international community with the other partner countries.

- **Dates:** ?/5/25**
- **Duration:** 3 days
- **Participants:** Greek, Swedish, and Finnish Youth Facilitators
- **Location:** Helsinki

** More hours can be added to facilitate the unique needs of the participants, even for smaller groups or individually.*

*** Dates may vary slightly to accommodate participants' and organisations' needs.*

**** This is the net amount excluding taxes and insurance that are covered legally by the organisation*

Optional Opportunities

“Peace Places Methodology” participatory manual

One of the PS4PP project's outcomes will be a manual titled “Peace Places Methodology” that will gather all the theory and tools necessary for other organizations or youth groups to implement the PS4PP process in their local communities. Our goal is to create this manual in the most participatory way possible, which is why we want to involve Youth Facilitators during the phases of creating, updating, evaluating and finalizing it. Participation is optional and includes:

- Proofreading the draft Greek manual, proposing format, theories, activities, and tools
- Providing feedback and suggestions after the Youth Facilitators Training for updating the manual
- Offering feedback and suggestions during the workshops with youth groups
- Proofreading the final document before releasing it

Erasmus and European Solidarity Corps

- Taking part in trainings and exchanges in the EU
- Solidarity Project Writing Workshop - February 2025
- Volunteering/Job Shadowing at Fryshuset in Stockholm (2-6 months)

Work Ethic - Values

We aim to give young people a voice and ownership in urban development, promoting local communities as havens of peace and collaboration, starting with the local public spaces. By engaging young people in creating their own visions for the future, we strive to build bridges between generations and cultures, creating sustainable and inclusive communities.



As the project progresses, decisions will be made based on the evolving needs of facilitators and youths. We will discuss these topics in our local assemblies (facilitators and youths) and seek consensus for important decisions, or at least a majority for less critical matters. Agreements and values will be thoroughly discussed and developed throughout the project lifecycle, as they are of fundamental value to our work, but they must be decided by the community itself.

Application

If you are interested in being part of the Youth Facilitator team for PS4PP in the year 2024-2025, please fill out the [Youth Facilitators Application 24'-25'](#) till 10 September. An email response will follow, and if positive, a personal interview will be scheduled. If you are accepted for this year's team, a private agreement will be signed detailing all tasks and compensation. If you have any further questions please contact Polinikis Papoulias by email polinikispapoulias@gmail.com or by phone call during office hours (9:00 - 15:00) at +30 6979686832.