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**TUESDAY 15
DECEMBER
11:00 AM -
13:30 PM
(CET TIME)**

By developing the role of volunteering through social inclusion projects working on the SDGs at a local level, the IYE-LABS project has helped to activate a group of young people in volunteering actions through an innovative methodology inspired by social laboratories, contributing to scale up good practices in different cities all around Europe involving youngsters in civic participation, particularly those ones coming from disadvantaged backgrounds.

Despite all the difficulties posed by the COVID-19 emergency our local partners managed to convince young volunteers to go ahead with their projects, either by maintaining the original ones or by adapting them to the needs of social distancing.

This Conference will present the results of our project to other organisations working in the volunteering for the social inclusion and youth fields –at a local, national, European and international level- and also to policy and decision-makers, particularly those ones working at a EU level.

VOLUNTEERING IN TIMES OF A PANDEMIC: IYE-LABS EXPERIENCE FLATTENING THE CURVE & FUTURE STEPS

**INCLUSIVE YOUTH ENVIRONMENTS THROUGH
SOCIAL LABS EXPERIENCES FOR VOLUNTEERING**

11:00 | WELCOME ADDRESS & WARM-UP ACTIVITY

*with José Castillo (President at Xul Foundation)
and Marko Paunovic (CEO at Out of the Box International)*

11:20 | PANEL 1 SHOWCASING VOLUNTEERS' STORIES: HOW WE MADE IT?

How our project enabled youngsters to acquire the necessary knowledge and skills to undertake social volunteering projects through training activities, intercultural dialogue and their proposals: find out fieldwork partners' vision!

- *Introduction: IYELABS objectives, outputs and outcomes. Reaching participants from disadvantaged backgrounds - Ana Rojas (Xul Foundation, Spain)*
- *Adapting the project - Patricia Dragan & Stella Gelmini (InCo Association, Italy)*
- *Local contribution to SDGs – Damir Muzina (Impact Hub Zagreb, Croatia) & Zek Dundar (Dinamik Development, Turkey)*
- *Open discussion with two volunteers from Spain-Italy & Croatia*

12:25 | PANEL 2 YOUR OPINION COUNTS: DISCUSS OUR BEST PRACTICES IN TIMES OF COVID-19!

**How alternative ways of volunteering helped us to overcome all the mobility difficulties during our implementation phase:
Discuss it with our volunteers!**

Parallel discussions lead by Ana Rojas (Xul Foundation, Spain), Sinem Kanmaz (Dinamik Development, Turkey), Patricia Dragan & Stella Gelmini (InCo Association, Italy) & Damir Muzina (Impact Hub, Croatia). The first three ones will be in their national respective languages and the fourth one, in English.

12:45 | PANEL 3 DEBATING IYE-LABS RESULTS WITH POLICY-MAKERS

Presentation of IYE-LABS policy proposal. Debate & feedback from external stakeholders and policy-makers: contribution of volunteers to a reshaping EU moment.

- *Moderated by Eugenia Casariego (garagErasmus Youth Trainer & Facilitator)*
- *Policy Proposal by Marko Paunovic (Out of the Box International)*
- *Evaluation, Results, Quality Assurance and Impact on Participants by Carlos Moreno (Plataforma del Voluntariado de España)*
- *Debate with Gabriella Civico (Director at European Volunteer Centre) & Michalis Moschovakos (Policy Officer at the Youth, Volunteer Solidarity and Traineeships Office - Directorate-General for Education, Youth, Sport and Culture of the European Commission)*

13:15 | CLOSING REMARKS

with Niklas Nienaaß (Member of the European Parliament, Greens/EFA Group, CULT Committee) and José Castillo (President at Xul Foundation)



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