

ARTISANS DO IT BETTER

ERASMUS PLUS - K1, YOUTH MOBILITY, YOUTH EXCHANGE

PROJECT DETAILS

What: Erasmus+ Project "ARTISANS DO IT BETTER"

Where: Valle Camonica (Italy, Province of Brescia)

When: from 17 to 24 July 2018

(travel days: 16 and 25 July)

Who: boys and girls from 20 to 25 years of age

Hosting Organisation: [Comunità Montana](#)

[di Valle Camonica](#)



ABOUT THE PROJECT

Do you have a passion for handcraft? Are you curious about historical and cultural traditions of European countries? Are you on the job hunt and would you like to improve your skills and enhance your entrepreneurial spirit? Then **ARTISANS DO IT BETTER** is the project you are looking for! Camonica Valley, home to the very first Italian **UNESCO site** (dedicated to the safeguard of thousand-year old rock engravings), is a land of craftsmanship: a Valley of Landmarks ("Valle dei Segni" in Italian), where **traditions** from the past meet with the demands of the present and the future.

Get your hands dirty, **stimulate your own creativity** and re-invent yourself will be the keywords of this youth exchange. Participants will **get to know local artisans**, visit their labs and experience their work first-hand; back to the hostel they will dedicate themselves to re-elaborating what they have learnt, comparing views and planning new projects to implement together and then to show both to the rest of the group and to the artisans of the valley. The exchange will end with ideas for **new start-ups** in the craft trade; personal cultural enrichment will be also fostered by visiting Camonica Valley's rock engravings sites.



"Finally back to their home-countries, the boys and girls will be able to rely on the **network of professionals and aspiring artisans** born during the exchange days and will have improved their own:

- Sense of initiative and entrepreneurship,
- Communications skills in English language,
 - Cultural awareness,
 - Social and civic skills,
- Mindfulness on one's own skills and goals to reach in order to succeed in the labour market.

Moreover, at the end of the project, participants will receive the **Youthpass**, a certificate of recognition of non-formal education.

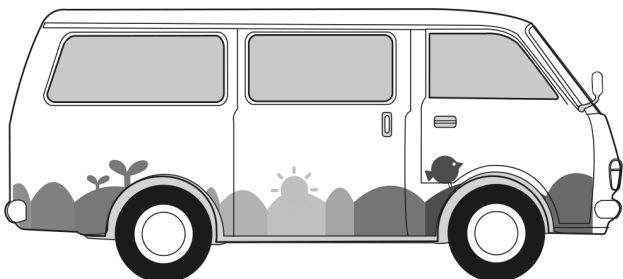
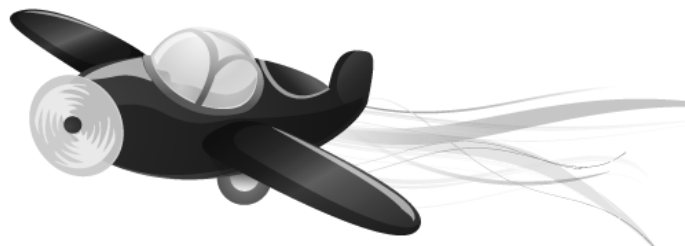
ARTISANS DO IT BETTER will count **32 participants**, coming from **Hungary, Romania, Spain, Croatia and Italy**. The project foresees ice-breaking and team-building activities: participants will be subdivided into mixed subgroups, each of which will be asked to come up with a team project. They will be hosted at Centro Vacanze Ostello – Bed & Breakfast "**Centro Concarena**" in the village of Ono San Pietro, in the heart of Camonica Valley.



The project is open both to **boys and girls from 20 to 25 years of age**. During the selections the following parameters will be taken into account:

- a genuine interest in craftsmanship (the priority),
- fewer opportunities (due to geographical, cultural, economic, social impediments).

NB: the project does **not** require any specific theoretical or technical preparation and sending organisations will provide participants with all useful information during the period prior to their departure.



Every country is expected to include a **team leader** for its own group, for which the age range is extended to 30 years of age.



The project covers accommodation expenses and travel costs will be reimbursed according to the national ceilings established by the European Union for each country. Participants will be travelling by plane to the closest airport (Orio al Serio, Bergamo) and then by private coach (provided by the hosting organisation) straight to the hostel: further information will be provided in the next few weeks.

If **ARTISANS DO IT BETTER** has caught your attention, send your CV and letter of motivation (see the attached form) in English to the sending organisation in your country; applications will be accepted until **Monday, 30 April**.

Croatia (6 participants) - Association Strive! - youthassociationstrive@gmail.com

Hungary (6 participants) - FIRKA Ifjúsági Egyesület - firka.hungary@gmail.com

Italy (8 participants) - Comunità Montana di Valle Camonica
camoneurope@gmail.com & europa@ateliereuropeo.eu

Romania (6 participants) - ASOCIATIA DE TINERI DIN ARDEAL - office.ata@gmail.com

Spain (6 participants) - AYUNTAMIENTO DE ALTEA - eu.desarrollolocal@altea.es

Artisans from Valle Camonica are looking forward to sharing their experience with you!!!

