



Drums for Peace partners and artists get together again in Copenhagen

Autumn has brought DfP team together again for strategic partnership kickoff and DfP general meetings, in Copenhagen. Also, this year it was the first time when a two phased youth exchange project, WWB, has been organized in DfP.

The two meetings took place between 6-10th of October and were hosted by ARTTRAIN at Galleri Wärme.

The KA2 kickoff meeting was coordinated by Helsinki Pioneers, from Finland, and offered dedicated



Partners attending KA2 meeting

space for partners to discuss the future of DfP in the context of "Arts Empowering Youth Work", our KA2 project meant to develop the DfP network and also export its methodology out to other youth organizations and stakeholders in general. With this occasion, Lauri Heikkilä from Finland, who will lead the project research work, conducted a

training which was offered to partners in order to stimulate their creativity, inspiration and in general see the project's main idea and planning process from different angles.

Next on the partners discussed

aspects related to project logistics, staff, resources, profile of participants, general implementation and dissemination strategy.

As regards the DfP general meeting, members brought on a long set of new proposals

concerning updating our general guidelines according to our partners' needs and the latest changes in the Erasmus Plus funding program. Many of them were agreed to and voted by members, and are expected to bring more sustainability in the network.

Antti Nordin was voted to continue as DfP chairman for the



Lauri's workshop

next year too, while Clara Wärme Otterstrøm was elected as member in the DfP board after Ida Wärme

Otterstrøm decided she will no longer continue as board member.



Drums for Peace team photo

Also, a new organization has joined our network. Gnistan from Örnsköldsvik is our new Swedish member and is represented by Monica Wallin and Jan Lindström. They had requested DfP membership long before the meeting and the members approved their request due to their previous good cooperation in youth exchanges.

WWB - Welcome, Willkommen, Bienvenue



WWB 1 in Poland

Since the two exchanges now finished, one in June and the other in October, we asked Clara Wårme Otterstrøm, the project coordinator, to tell us a few words about them: "The "Welcome, Willkommen, Bienvenue" project 1 and 2, was two projects organised by a younger generation of the organisation Arttrain. The first one took place in Poland and the second one in Finland. The idea was to have 2 youth-exchanges consisting of the same team of participants, workshop leaders and

project leader but organised in two different places. This was made to see if the connection between the participants could grow even stronger than it normally does in one youth-exchange. The outcome was amazing. Not only did a lot of strong friendships appear, but also the youngsters were amazingly open, innovative and positive in both projects, but especially in the second exchange

in Finland. You could really feel, that the participants felt comfortable, because most of them had met each other before. A lot of talent and strong personalities appeared between the youngsters and this has resulted in having 3 new workshop leaders for the future: Antti Severi Jaatinen with Juggling, José Cambra with Magic and Karoline Severin with Theatre. It is great to be able to stabilize a younger generation for Drums 4 Peace, to be sure that the amazing work will be continued in the future."



WWB 2 in Finland

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