

Project background

The development of shared gardens in Europe gained attention in recent years, with the sector becoming more professional, particularly in France. Appearance of "garden leaders" has been noted and there is specialised training designed by the Network of Mediterranean Solidarity Gardens, which is a training body recognised by the French State.

Training for Otesha Garden Organisers guides the training organisers on how to best transfer respective skills from France to Austria, Italy, Germany and the United Kingdom. The use of garden facilitators plays a key role in the development of a shared garden in order to ensure sustainability of the actions and is the support tool for social inclusion and education. Earlier transitional projects have demonstrated the relevance and the importance of the transfer of skills to other European countries within the partnership. There is at present no similar training elsewhere and the training offered by the Network of Mediterranean Solidarity Gardens has demonstrated that it brings the required legitimacy and knowledge which is needed for its transfer to Europe.

Aims and target group

The main goal of the project is to transfer the GARDENISER as a trained facilitator in the sphere of shared gardens from France to other European partnership countries in order to better equip the partnership countries when developing shared garden projects within their respective countries.

The assignment

BEST is looking for an external evaluator to carry out the interim and final external evaluation reports for the GARDENISER project. The assignment is due to start asap until September 2015, when the final external evaluation report is expected to be submitted.

The external evaluator is expected to draft two evaluation reports, about the processes established within the partnership and the results developed and delivered during the course of the project. In addition to that, the evaluator is expected to provide feedback when necessary on important project milestones, such as the research and pilot phase and its results. Among other things, the evaluator is in charge of providing qualitative feedback on issues related to the contents, the approaches implemented, the effectiveness and efficiency of the tasks carried out, the time schedule of the project, the indicators. Participation at at least one partner meeting and/or training session is foreseen as well as regular conference calls between the subcontractor and BEST.

Requirements

- University degree;
- Experience in project management; proven track record of involvement in similar lifelong learning projects (Leonardo da Vinci-Transfer of Innovation) funded by the European Commission or similar funding organisations;
- Extensive experience in project evaluation mechanisms;
- IT-skills: fully familiar with the use of MS Office, particularly Excel and Word;
- Extensive experience in the elaboration and/ or evaluation of Didactic material
- Languages: proficiency in English AND French, both written and spoken.
- Other: Urban gardens background an advantage

Contact:

Interested applicants are invited to send their tender application and all related details including a EUROPASS CV of involved persons by Jan 08th 2014 to:

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