

**CHARGER - FIGHTING YOUTH UNEMPLOYMENT  
BY DEVELOPING THE EMPLOYABILITY SKILLS**

# **REPORT FROM THE DISSEMINATION EVENTS OF CHARGER PROJECT**



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# THE LOCAL ACTIVITIES



# VSA

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**Volunteer Spirit Association**

## THAILAND

VSA Thailand  
December 3, 2017  
Baan Purita Resort,  
Song  
Number of  
participants: 26  
Target Group: Local  
Partners

# INTRODUCTION OF THE EVENT

The VSA General Assembly is an event in which local partner leaders around Thailand gather for an annual evaluation, to discuss further strategies, and to form an action plan for 2018. This event is a very good opportunity to disseminate, so local partners can get more information about the Charger project itself, which some of them might have even hosted during their EVS, as well as understanding more about EVS, NEET's and Erasmus+ Programmes.

## RESULTS OF THE EVENT

- Local partner leaders understand more about EVS, NEETs, and the Erasmus+ program
- Learning and sharing how to receive and host EVS Volunteers
- Discussion on expectations, good practice and problem-solving while hosting international volunteers
- Giving intercultural knowledge
- Creating a future collaboration opportunity among local partners
- Encouragement for Voluntary work for new local partners





# BENEFITS OF THE ACTIVITY

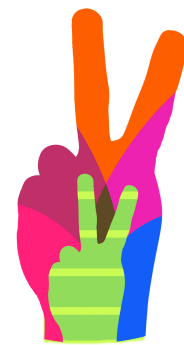
Local Partner leaders gained an understanding of the volunteer hosting process, as well as motivation for voluntary work. VSA Thailand got the opportunity to disseminate Erasmus+ programmes besides Charger. A future hosting organisation gained knowledge on hosting, and are now fully motivated to start the process.

New Plans have been made regarding the future of the local community - along with an invitation for a seminar event about organic farming for youth, which partners can cooperate on, we are going to visit an agriculture farm to enhance our volunteer projects.



## VISIBILITY AND DISSEMINATION

The event was promoted on social media, on the Facebook page of VSA, and partners of VSA. We also used event banners as well as T-shirts to ensure the attractiveness of the event.



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## FRANCE

Pistes Solidaires

November 24, 2017

Billère, France

Number of participants:  
23

Target Group: Young  
people who are about to  
go abroad within the  
frame of the French  
Civil Service program.

# INTRODUCTION OF THE EVENT

- Introduction about Pistes-Solidaires (for those who didn't participate in local training) and the CHARGER project (who were the partners, the volunteers involved ...).
- Presentation of the different photos and articles from the volunteers.
- Explanation by the tutors of the volunteers about the learning dimension of EVS and the impact it had on the volunteers.
- Explanation by the tutors of the volunteers about the development of employability skills during a volunteering experience.
- Presentation of the video tutorials about employability skills /videos created during the CHARGER project.
- Introduction of methodological framework and tools to support the development of the employability skills of young people developed by Pistes-Solidaires and the partners of the project: online e-portfolio within Comp-Pass project and portfolio of employability skills developed within OVPELO project.
- Informal time with the participants to share experiences.

## RESULTS OF THE EVENT

The impact was really positive. It allowed all the young people to have an overview of what employability skills are, why employers are looking for them and how they can develop them through a volunteering experience. They were also informed about all the different tools we developed to support them in the development of such competencies. Last but not least, all the youngsters discovered the Erasmus+ program and the possibility it can give to them in terms of mobility.

# BENEFITS OF THE ACTIVITY

The young participants clearly benefited from the activity by discovering more what employability is and how some skills, that are essential to be more "employable", can be developed.

The youngsters became much more confident while we were having the activity because they realized they could still achieve things and develop skills though they did not have a high diploma.



## VISIBILITY AND DISSEMINATION

The event was targeting groups that were already **constituted** to have the best impact possible.

We took some pictures and a local radio came to interview the youngsters about their project and the topic of the event.



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## INDIA

**RUCHI**

**December 9, 2017**

**New Delhi, India**

**Number of  
participants: 52**

**Target Group:  
Unemployed Youth in  
the age group 18-25.**

# INTRODUCTION OF THE EVENT

The event was organized in the Guest House of Delhi University which is quite central and a hub of youth (students and youth that has graduated and is still looking for jobs). The event started with a background presentation of the project, a presentation of RUCHI and its involvement in the project as well as the Erasmus+ programme and volunteering opportunities available.



## RESULTS OF THE EVENT

We were able to disseminate information about the Erasmus+ programme and other volunteering opportunities available to young people that they can utilise to upgrade their skills, contribute to society in a positive way and increase their employability chances.

# BENEFITS OF THE ACTIVITY

The unemployed youth benefitted most from the event. In India, young people have time and can afford to participate in such volunteer projects but because of mistrust in sponsors, organisers, and hosts, they fail to take advantage of genuine projects. This was an opportunity **well utilised** to explain the programme in depth and clear their doubts. The experience shared by both incoming international volunteers and outgoing Indian volunteers was very helpful in bringing the point home and motivating Indian youth.

## VISIBILITY AND DISSEMINATION

The event was publicised through blogs, distribution of flyers, banners and Facebook. The response was very encouraging and that is why the turnout was very good.





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## NEPAL

Volunteer Initiative  
Nepal

December 12, 2017  
Milandharmesthali  
school of Kavresthali  
community

Number of participants:  
35

Target Group: Youth of  
Kavresthali community

# INTRODUCTION OF THE EVENT

The dissemination event was organized by Volunteer Initiative Nepal (VIN) at Milandharmesthali School in Kavresthali on December 12, 2017 to discuss different employability skills to overcome youth unemployment. There was a presentation on CHARGER, it's phases, international training, youth exchange as well as Youth Empowerment Possibilities in the Kavresthali community. The participants were told to discuss the given topics like youth unemployment, challenges and need for employability skills among group members and the presentation was made on the basis of the discussion. In this group discussion, different views and opinions of youth came out. Some participants pointed out the lack of vocational education, computer skills, leadership qualities, communication skills, job-related training and other skillful training to get employment in that community. They also mentioned political instability, lack of resources, lack of experience, bad economic conditions as the challenges of youth employment. The video made by the CHARGER group was played and all participants watched with full interest. **They knew about employability skills** highly desired by employers. As we know that development of employability skills does not occur in one or two classes, but grows over the course of a student's educational career as well as at home and in the family, we encouraged the young participants to develop these skills which can help them get employed in the near future.



# RESULTS OF THE EVENT

Through this event, the youth of Kavresthali community realised the need for employability skills to get employed. At the same time, **they expect** the workshop on leadership skills, communication skills, problem-solving, organization skills, teamwork and also other activities to empower the youth of that community.

## BENEFITS OF THE ACTIVITY

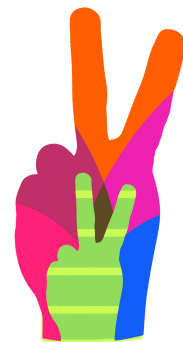
Despite the difficulty to work in the community, we chose Kavresthali community for this event because the goal of our organization is to empower marginalized communities. The youth of Kavresthali community benefitted from this event. In this event, we also addressed youth empowerment possibilities at Kavresthali community. Some participants pointed out the lack of vocational education, computer skills, leadership quality, communication skills, job-related training and other skillful training to get employment in that community. Also, political instability, lack of resources, lack of experience, low economic condition etc were the challenges for youth employment. **They knew about employability skills highly desired by employers.**





## VISIBILITY AND DISSEMINATION

We had posters all around the city to promote the event and we also used social media and Cazalla's website to promote it.



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## POLAND

Fundacja Centrum  
Aktywności Twórczej  
September 28, 2017  
Leszno, Galeria Lochy,  
Poland

Number of participants: 60  
Target Group: it was open  
for the public of any age.  
We had many students from  
the higher vocational state  
school in Leszno, polish,  
ukrainians and from  
Kazakhstan.



## INTRODUCTION OF THE EVENT

On the 28th of September 2017, Fundacja CAT organised a cultural evening - Portugal & India and Thailand - at the local library. During the event, three volunteers from the CHARGER project presented the cultures they got to know in Thailand and India and spoke about their experiences, the differences, and similarities. They cooked small meals in order to bring the cultures to Leszno community.

## RESULTS OF THE ACTIVITY

Teachers who attended the meeting began to be interested in global education itself and suggested ideas for common partnerships. An additional presentation of India was organised the day after the cultural evening. Basia made a presentation about the situation of women in India for students of linguistic and European studies from the Higher Vocational School in Leszno.

## BENEFITS OF THE ACTIVITY

The people who benefited the most from this activity were the local community.

We invited local media, Wielkopolska.TV, and they interviewed volunteers.

## VISIBILITY AND DISSEMINATION



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## POLAND

**Fundacja Centrum  
Aktywności Twórczej  
September 28 & 29, 2017  
Leszno, Poland  
Number of participants:  
300  
Target Group: teachers,  
students of the Higher  
Vocational State School in  
Leszno and Economic  
School.**

## INTRODUCTION OF THE EVENT

During the dissemination event we organised, we set up a meeting between ex-volunteers and students of the Economic school and Higher Vocational State School in Leszno. The idea of the meetings was to raise awareness about other cultures, support global values and widen knowledge about human rights and living outside Europe.

## RESULTS OF THE EVENT

Through this event, many questions about human rights were raised and discussed.

## BENEFITS OF THE ACTIVITY

The people who benefited most from this event were the local youth from the schools and the school staff.



## VISIBILITY AND DISSEMINATION

The event was published on the schools' websites and sent to local media. It was broadcast live on local radio during the time of presentation.



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## POLAND

**Fundacja Centrum  
Aktywności Twórczej  
October 23 & 24, 2017  
Leszno, Poland  
Number of participants:  
600  
Target Group: Students  
and youth aged 17-23.**



# INTRODUCTION OF THE EVENT

During the dissemination event we organised, we set up a meeting between ex-volunteers and students of the Economic school and Higher Vocational State School in Leszno. The idea of the meetings was to raise awareness about other cultures, support global values and widen knowledge about human rights and living outside Europe.

## RESULTS OF THE EVENT

We increased knowledge about Global Values, poverty, and problems that exist outside of Europe.

## BENEFITS OF THE ACTIVITY

The people who benefited most from this activity were the students, teachers and educators.



## VISIBILITY AND DISSEMINATION

The event was promoted on local media and on the schools' websites.



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## POLAND

Fundacja Centrum  
Aktywności Twórczej  
October 23, 2017  
Leszno, Galeria Lochy,  
Poland  
Number of participants:  
100  
Target Group: local  
community

# INTRODUCTION OF THE EVENT

Volunteers who did their service in Nepal invited the local community for a cultural evening to taste Nepalese culture. They spoke about their life in Nepal, difficulties they had (no shops, no light, difficult path through the mountains to get to the school). They also invited the local community to taste traditional dishes and to ask questions.

## RESULTS OF THE EVENT

Everyone who attended learned more about Nepal, and about Human Rights issues.

## BENEFITS OF THE ACTIVITY

The people who benefited the most from the activity were the local community.



## VISIBILITY AND DISSEMINATION

The event was promoted in local media (Głos Wielkopolski newspaper and Wielkopolska.Tv) and on the schools' websites.



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## SPAIN

**Cazalla Intercultural**

**November 17, 2017**

**Lorca, Spain**

**Number of participants: 41**

**Target Group: Young people interested in volunteering, stakeholders collaborating with the organization, institutions working with employability of young people.**

# INTRODUCTION OF THE EVENT

On the 17th of November, Cazalla Intercultural implemented the volunteer event to celebrate the international volunteers day, which is at the beginning of December, and to appreciate all the volunteers who are collaborating in our various projects. The event consisted of two parts. The first was the official presentation, where we presented the project, the videos produced, and we created an interactive game for all the participants to discover more about volunteering. We also created a project museum, so all the participants are able to see the photos and other results.



## RESULTS OF THE EVENT

We have reached several goals with this event. Firstly we again managed to motivate young people to volunteer and to participate in more activities. We made new contacts and several young people expressed interest in local activities as well as EVS. We also managed to promote the project results - like the video tutorials, and because interest for a Spanish version was expressed, we will create one, so many people will be able to use them on the local level.



# BENEFITS OF THE ACTIVITY

The people who benefited from the activity were young people from Lorca, professionals working with young people and citizens of Lorca.

## VISIBILITY AND DISSEMINATION

We had posters all around the city to promote the event, and we used social media and the Cazalla website to promote it as well.

