

BEST PRACTICE on cultural diversity in the domain of SEXUALITY



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❖ VOLUNTEER SEX EDUCATOR TRAINING

San Francisco, California, US

The aim of SFSI training is to train people to provide accurate, non-judgmental sex information to the public. At the end of training, a trainee should make significant progress in basic sex information, communication and education skills, and personal insight.

The training also helps to overcome the stereotypes related to sexuality and to facilitate links between different groups involved in these questions.



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References: www.sfsi.org

❖ IN BETWEEN US – SEXUALITY IN THE EU

Palermo, Sicily, Italy



The “In between us” workshop was funded by the Grundtvig sectorial program (LLP).

It gathered people from different European countries in the common aim of suggesting new approaches to tackle stereotypes and assumptions about sexuality and to create a space for self and group reflection about personal, national and European values related to sexuality.

The activities developed in a non-formal context were based on the promotion of tolerance and awareness raising about sexual identity thanks to the use of art as a pedagogical tool.

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References : <http://cesie.org/en/in-azione/europa/in-between-us/>

❖ HUMAN LIVING LIBRARY

Palermo, Sicily, Italy

The Human Library is an innovative method designed to promote dialogue, reduce prejudices and encourage understanding. The books in the Living Library are people representing groups frequently confronted with prejudices and stereotypes, and who are often victims of discrimination or social exclusion. The aim of this best practice is to create constructive interpersonal dialogue between people who would



normally not have the occasion to speak to each other. People who act as living books, prepare a story about themselves – sometimes a lifelong journey or maybe just an important period in their life. The one-day event was held on March 21th at the ArciBarcollo and involved 11 books telling their stories and who represented sexual orientation, ethnic minorities (LGBT and foreigner community in Palermo).

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❖ Seks@Relaties.Kom

Sexual experiences of mentally disabled people

St.-Amandsberg, Belgium

SEKS@RELATIES.KOM is a workshop that focuses on sexual education for people with a mental disability. During the workshop, knowledge is shared and information is given, but the most important feature of the workshop is the sharing of feelings and experiences concerning sexuality and the body. To create an easy starting point, the trainer shows pictures about sexuality to the group. Because of the visual aspect and the openness of the trainer, the group feels free to talk about what they see in the pictures and what their experiences are regarding the subject. The workshop demonstrates to professionals and people with a mental disability that sexuality does not have to be taboo.

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❖ HOMOPHOBIA AWARENESS TRAINING: GAY CONTINUUM ACTIVITY

Belfast, Northern Ireland

WheelWorks develops art programs with some of the most excluded young people in Northern Ireland. Some of these art-based projects developed with arts facilitators focus on giving LGBT (Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual and Transgender) young people an outlet to “voice” their experiences. Eager to promote its expertise and resources on a wider scale, WheelWorks has partnered with professionals experienced in the issues of homophobia awareness to create a practical training program.



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Reference: <http://www.wheelworks.org.uk/homophobia-awareness-training.asp>