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| **PARTNER ORGANISATION DETAILS** | |
| **Erasmus+ PIC Number** | **918857721** |
| **Organisation ID** | **E10046683** |
| **Legal name** | GENCLIK CALISMALARI DERNEGI |
| **Legal name (national language)** | YOUTH WORK ASSOCIATION |
| **Department (if applicable)** | N/A |
| **Acronym** | GENCA |
| **Email** | [youthorgtr@gmail.com](mailto:youthorgtr@gmail.com) |
| **Address** | Ömerbey Mah. Bursa Asfaltı Cad. Belediye İş Hanı No: 4/115 P.K.: 16940 **Mudanya / BURSA / TÜRKİYE** |
| **Is the organisation a public body?** | No |
| **Is the organisation a non-profit?** | Yes |
| **Type of Organisation** | Non-governmental organisation/Association |
| **Main sector of activity** | Offering participation in youth-led events and youth participation activities |

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| **Exceptional Cost (Visa Cost)** |
| **Please add 140 € VISA COST for each participant from Turkey in the exceptional costs area!**  **Details**: 80 EUR Visa fee – 35 EUR application fee – Around 15 EUR for mandatory extra insurance -  10 EUR Exit Fee (for leaving the country)  **For EVS (ESC), please ask more details. Because you need to add residence permit costs too.** |

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| **EVS / ESC ACCREDITATION for RO and SO (Valid until 2027)** | |
| **ACCREDITATION NUMBER** | 2021-1-TR01-ESC50-098895 |

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| **ASSOCIATED PERSONS** | |
| **Legal Representative** | |
| **Title** | CPA, Mr. |
| **Gender** | Male |
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| **Family Name** | ÇOLAK |
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| **BACKGROUND AND EXPERIENCE** |
| **Please briefly present your organisation/ group.** |
| Youth Work Association is a non-profit and non-governmental organisation founded by youth workers with more than 20 years of experience in the youth field. The association has focused on developing youth work in general and on producing proactive solutions to the problems in civic life. It is our style to produce creative and sustainable solutions to current problems and implement them by cooperating with public and private organisations and individuals in the youth field.  The association implements its activities according to different target audiences. In this context:  For Young People:  The association aims to contribute to the personal and professional development of young people between 18-35 years old. We are working to increase their employability, provide them with information and awareness on fundamental human rights, enable them to acquire the competencies demanded by the business world and give them the necessary tools to keep up with digital developments in the digital age. In this context, we organise activities that will contribute to the competence development of young people.  For Youth Workers:  Our association aims to transfer this experience of more than 20 years in the field of youth to other youth workers. We are working to create a legal basis for youth workers to develop themselves personally and professionally, to ensure their well-being, to increase the recognition and reputation of youth work, to recognise youth work by relevant legal organisations and to provide the necessary support.  For New Youth Organizations and Youth Groups:  Another target group of our association is the newly established youth organisations and informal groups of young people. In this context, we are working to support the development of new youth organisations and groups of young people in financial, physical and human resources. We are doing our best for new organisations and groups to use their resources effectively, create new resources, and determine a sustainable strategic path and progress on this path.  For Public and Private Organisations:  Our final target audience is public and private organisations. With these organisations, we try to have a say in directing the youth field, determining new strategies, influencing funding and decision-making organisations, and developing new policies in cooperation with public institutions. In this way, we help young people, youth workers, and youth organisations to speak up, and we try to participate in the decision-making process while shaping our future in every possible way and topic.  . |
| **What are the activities and experiences of the organisation in youth work? Please provide information on your organisation’s / group’s regular youth work activities.** |
| Activities:  Our association has been actively carrying out activities in the field of youth work for ten years. In this context, we organise projects and partner up for youth exchanges, training courses, seminars, workshops, congresses, and meetings in cooperation with many individuals and organisations. We carry out short and long-term volunteering and internship programs with young people. We train new trainers and facilitators and implement mentoring programs that will contribute to the development of individuals. We cooperate with corporate companies from the business world and organise our youth activities to develop the needs and competencies demanded by the business world. We conduct joint policy research and development activities with public institutions and share good practice examples with the public. We produce digital content to disseminate and publicise the information needed by young people and youth workers.  Experiences:  Our association has worked as the supporting organisation of nearly 100 ESC volunteers in the last ten years and has given support as a sending organisation in nearly 200 youth projects. We have enabled more than 500 young people to participate in international mobility projects. We have hosted eight international Erasmus+ projects and organised nearly 50 international events. In addition to all these, we have completed 2 KA2 projects. We are actively working as a Supporting and Receiving organisation holding the ESC Quality Label, valid until 2027. We took part in the executive committee of the GAPGENÇ festival for seven years. We took part in the advisory board of funding institutions in Turkey and Europe. We actively managed the Council of Europe’s NHSM campaign support group for six years in Turkey. We actively worked on the 10-year development plan, which is the joint work of the Presidency of the Republic of Turkey and the Ministry of Development. We ran a Non-Formal Learning Academy program, trained 12 new youth trainers and created a trainer pool. We provide trainer and facilitator support to projects in the field of youth.  Regular Youth Work:  Our association organises seminars, training courses, working groups, workshops, language practice events, youth information activities, study visits, job shadowing, partnership-building events, contact-making seminars, development labs, and online events. In addition, we produce online content using digital tools and develop resources for the information needed in the youth field.  We organise youth activities with the following aim(s);  - To fight against hate speech, exclusion, ethnocentrism, xenophobia, extremism and radicalisation.  - Promote human rights and a right-based lifestyle in society.  - Supporting the personal, professional and social development of young people.  - Prepare young people for business life and equip them with the competencies required in the market.  - Promoting active citizenship and democracy in society.  - Encouraging young people to take the initiative and participate in democratic life.  - Inclusion and integration activities for disadvantaged young people and immigrants.  - Activities and counselling to develop the competencies of young people and help their career life.  - Creation of youth networks and development of IT tools for youth work in the EU and Türkiye.  - Train new youth workers, youth trainers, facilitators and mentors for youth organisations. |
| **Please give information on the key staff/persons involved in this application and the competencies and previous experience they will bring to the project.** |
| Our association has a departmentalised structure of many experienced youth workers in their fields. In this context, the distribution of duties of our association is as follows:  Trainers and Experts of our association:  Mehmet: International Trainer since 2009 and member of the trainers’ pool of the Turkish National AgencyHe is the founder and president of the Youth Work Association. He has experience in the youth field since 2005. He works with SALTO-Youth, the Council of Europe and EYF-funded projects and training courses as a project manager, trainer, reporter and moderator.  Şansel: International Trainer and Youth Worker since 2001. She is the career centre manager at Istanbul Arel University and owner of Nevicos Corporate Training Consultancy.  Facilitators Team:  Ümit: Fellow member in the Training of Trainers organised by the Turkish National Agency. He holds a Master’s Degree in Project Management and Social Services. Active in the youth fields since 2009. He participated in 2 long-term Training of Trainers programmes of Erasmus+ Projects.  Nisa: Fellow member in the Training of Trainers organised by the Turkish National Agency. Active in the youth fields since 2007. PhD. Teaching and Research Doctor at Katip Çelebi University in İzmir.  Yagmur Ş. BAYINDIR: She holds a Master’s Degree from Hacettepe University, is a Project Assistant in a Development Agency’s project and works as a facilitator in youth projects.  Logistics Team:  Halil: Experienced in the youth field since 2007 and ex-EVS volunteer. He has participated in more than 40 Erasmus+ Projects as Logistics Coordinator.  Mert: Experienced Trainer in Career Management and Counseling. He works with Istanbul İstinye University as a Media Lecturer and is the owner of Pitho Media.  Documentation and Legal Papers:  Hakan: CPA (Serbest Muhasebeci Mali Müşavir) and ex-EVS volunteer. He is the legal representative of the organisation.  Ferdi: CPA (Serbest Muhasebeci Mali Müşavir) and owner of a company (STK Master) that is supporting NGOs for accounting and legal procedures.  Key Staff Involved in This Project:  Mehmet, Halil and Şansel will undertake the task of supporting the organisation of this project as partners. They will be determining the participant profile for this project, making a call for participants, making participant selections, preparations for the selected participants (visa, insurance, plane tickets, cultural and linguistic preparations, etc.) and providing the necessary support during and after the implementation phase of the project. At the end of the project, they will support the organisation of the follow-up event, and the same team will also implement the dissemination activities. |
| **Would you like to comment or add any information to the summary of your organisation’s past participation?** |
| We summarised the projects the Youth Work Association has participated in above. In addition, we summarised the projects we have implemented & partnered with in the background section, where statistics are detailed. You can find more information on these areas on the association’s website and social media accounts via www.youth.org.tr and with the user name @youthorgtr on all social media accounts. |

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact us via [info@youth.org.tr](mailto:info@youth.org.tr) or [youthorgtr@gmail.com](mailto:youthorgtr@gmail.com)

You can have a look at our social media account to have an idea of our activities:

Instagram: <https://www.instagram.com/youthorgtr/>

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/youthorgtr/>

Twitter: <https://twitter.com/youthorgtr/>

Youtube: <https://www.youtube.com/c/Youthist>

TikTok: <https://www.tiktok.com/@youthorgtr>

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